

Homegoing Celebration

*In Memory of:
Augustus S. Varner*

Sunrise
December 25, 1913

Sunset
November 24, 1998



Monday, November 30, 1998

Service: 10:00 A.M. -11:45 A.M.

East Mt. Zion Baptist Church

*9990 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44106
(216) 231-0408*

*REVEREND A. CHARLES BOWIE, PASTOR
Officiating*

Order of Service

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- Organ Prelude..... Todd Thompson
- Processional..... Minister/Family
- Selection..... "Amazing Grace"
(Old arrangements)
- Scriptures..... Old Testament - 23rd Psalms
..... New Testament - John 14:1-3
- Prayer..... Pastor
- Selection.....
"Let The Life I Live Speak For Me"
- Resolution.....
- Solo... ~~Sean J. Williams~~ ^{BE DONE (W/ TROUBLE OF THE WORLD)} Annetta (Romans) Williams, Niece
- Obituary..... Read Silently to Music
- Acknowledgements of Condolences.....
- Proclamations..... from the offices of:
- ♦ Congressman Louis Stokes
 - ♦ Mayor Michael White
 - ♦ N.A.A.C.P
- Solo..... Bertha Banks
"Precious Lord" - (Mr. Varner's favorite song)
- Eulogy..... Pastor Bowie
- Request..... Pastor A. Charles Bowie
"Order My Steps"
- Organ Postlude..... Todd Thompson

Attention drivers in the processional:
Please turn headlights on for safety.

Turk Escort Service

Interment
Lakeview Cemetery

Obituary

Augustus Varner born December 25, 1913, in Wetumpka, Alabama to John and Tumpa Varner (preceded him in death) he was the seventh child of fifteen children.

He accepted Christ at the early age of seven in Florence, Alabama. He served the church as a clerk, treasurer and Deacon at East Mt. Zion Baptist, also as Sunday School Superintendent for ten years at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama.

He was an ardent business-man, as an auto mechanic, owned and operated a business known as "Auto New Again", for forty-five years. His slogan was "Hard work and God's Blessings, you can accomplish anything." He was chosen to train mechanics, by apprenticeship with the United States Government.

He was always soft spoken and loved by many. Mr. Varner constantly tried to help some one.

Mr. Varner was a life member of the Cleveland Chapter of the N.A.A.C.P., the Mansonic Lodge, he served as treasurer of the Phillis Wheatley Foundation, and a member of the East Mt. Zion Christian Aid Society.

His mother's dying request was for him to raise and educate her last born child Ann Romans, then eight years of age. He did, and in return she cared for him until his death on November 24, 1998, almost fourteen years, with the help of her immediate family, Anthony and Karen Jones, and Annetta Romans Williams, and loving family members, Sylvia Moore; friends, Mr. & Mrs. Carl Winston, Glenora Starks, Cornilius Rutherford, nurse Ruby Taylor, Deacons, Trustees and members of East Mt. Zion Baptist Church and St. Marks Presbyterian Church.

He leaves to mourn his passing; a sister, Ann Romans; nephew, Anthony Jones (Karen) their daughter Aryanna; niece, Annetta Romans Williams (Palmer) of Atlanta Georgia; sisters, Mae Rener Wilson, Annie Mae Williams, Zeola Travis, all of Detroit, Michigan, Clara Robinson of Washington D.C., Marion Ashley (Roland) of California, Jeanette Thompson and Angela Moore

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Harris, both of Cleveland, Ohio; Vivian Weaver, Faye Strongher, and Jackie Dukes all of Detroit, Michigan, Arlene Waller and Willia Mae Williams, both of Indiana; nephews, Lamar Williams and Joseph Moore, both of Cleveland, Ohio; other relatives and friends.

The Family

After the interment the family
will gather at East Mt. Zion Church

INTERMENT:

Lakeview Cemetery

PALLBEARER

Deacons and Trustee Boards

FLOWER BEARER

Deaconess

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many comforting prayers, floral arrangements, messages and many other thoughtful expressions of kindness and concern during this time.

May God Bless Each of You

The Family

ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO:

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