



Bernice (Matthews)

May 27, 2013

Bernice G. (Matthews) Guy, 92, made her transition from this life on Monday, May 27, 2013, at Hospice of Northwest Ohio. Born August 22, 1920, in Toledo, OH to the union of Chester and Edna Matthews. She was raised by an aunt and uncle, William and Velma McCouglin, at 8 years old, after the death of her parents. Bernice graduated from Scott High School in 1938. Over the years Bernice worked for various organizations as a secretary, but she remembers fondly the years she worked as a secretary to the late Reverend Elliot James Mason, then Pastor of Third Baptist Church for several years where she was a member for more than 80 years. She was also the church clerk, a member of the Adult Fellowship Choir and a member of the Twentieth Century Club. She retired from the Toledo Public Schools as Head Secretary after more than 30 years of service in 1987, returning later to work as a substitute secretary until 1998. She also worked for 10 years during the summer months at the University of Toledo for the NYSP program as secretary. Bernice finally retired at the age of 83. She was preceded in death by both parents, aunt and uncle, and her only son, Carl Chester Guy. She leaves to cherish her memory her special friends and family, James and Bernadine Powell; cousin, Mary Johnson; sister-in-law, Marjorie Jones, nephew, Jacob Jones Jr. and family; niece, Denise Usher and family, and adopted son, Sanford Anderson, and a host of many loving friends. Visitation will be Monday 11:00 a.m. followed by funeral services at 12:00 noon Third Baptist Church, Rev. Dr. Kenneth Johnson officiant, interment Historic

Woodlawn Cemetery. Memorial donations can be made to the Building Fund at Third Baptist Church. www.dalefh.com

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“ *Denise, I was so sorry to hear of Bernice's death. She had known me all of my life. My prayers are with the family.* ”

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