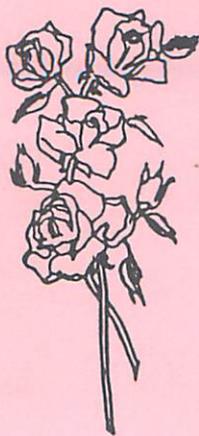


*When she shall die  
Take her and cut her out in little stars  
And she will make the face of heaven so fine  
That all the world will be in love with night  
And pay no worship to the garish sun.*

*Shakespeare*





## Acknowledgements

*The family wishes to express their sincere appreciation for your expressions of love through prayers, visits, messages, food, floral tributes, and other acts of kindness.*

- The Family -

## Bullbearers

George Bowers  
John E. Bowers  
Freddy Bowers

Louis Martin Bowers  
Jeffery Bowers  
Rexcy Bowers

Carl Reed

## Interment

Russell Grove Cemetery

## Arrangements

Smith Funeral Directors  
Nashville, Tennessee  
901-465-3989

## Obituary

of

**Gloria Benise Bowers Hightower**

*Saturday, December 15, 1990  
1:00 P.M.*

**Russell Grove M. B. Church**

Rev. Percy Hunter, Pastor Officiating

**In Loving Memory**



Solo . . . . . Ernest Hughes

Eulogy . . . . . Rev. Percy Hunter

Recessional

**God's Love**

*God walks in the Garden of the beautiful flower,  
And soars in the heavens with the loveliest sparrow.*

*The sunlight He's given to you and me.*

*The dew of the mornings, a breeze for the tree.*

*Each thing was created in wonder and love.*

*And touched by the Master from Heaven above.*

# Order of Service

Prelude

Selection . . . . . Russell Grove & Friendship

Prayer

Scripture . . . . . Rev. Grafton Bowers

Selection . . . . . Choir

Acknowledgements\Resolution . . . . . Sis. Eva Lee

Obituary . . . . . *Soft Music* . . . . . Read Silently

Word of Comfort . . . . . (3 Minutes) . . . . . Ministers

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## When I Must Leave You

When I must leave you for a little while,  
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears,  
And hug your sorrows to you through the years.  
Start out bravely with a gallant smile,  
For my sake and in my name,  
Live on and do all things the same.  
Feed not your loneliness on empty days  
But fill each waking hour in useful ways,  
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer,  
And I, in turn will comfort you and hold you near.  
And never be afraid to die,  
For I am waiting for you in the sky.

Gloria Denise Bowers Hightower

## Obituary

1959

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Gloria Denise Bowers Hightower was one of the youngest of the twelve children born to Rev. and Mrs. (Betty) Martin Bowers June 23, 1959, in Fayette County Tennessee. She began her Christian journey at an early age and joined the Russell Grove M. B. Church. On Wednesday, December 5, 1990, in her home, The Angel of Death visited her and sealed her lips. She graduated from Fayette-Ware High School upon graduation she entered the arm services where she received an honorable discharge. We give praise and thanksgiving for this marvelous life that was shared for these years:

"A Chapter completed  
A page turned -  
A life well-lived, And  
A Rest well-earned

We are truly left with a complete measure of devotion, love and fond memories: Her father and mother: Rev. Martin (Betty Ruth) Bowers of Somerville, TN; a grandfather: George Bowers of Somerville, TN; a grandmother: Mary Jane Jones of St. Louis, MO; seven brothers: George William Bowers of St. Louis, MO, Sgt. Louis M. Bowers (Fannie) of Bossier City, LA, John E. (Vivian) Bowers of Nashville, TN, Jeffery, Freddy (Brenda) Bowers of Jackson, TN, Rexcy (Lillie) Bowers of Memphis, TN, and Carl Reed (Lawanda) Bowers of Columbia, MO; four sisters: Rejeaner (Willie) Joy of Goodlettsville, TN, Merry D. (Aubrey) Bond of Brownsville, TN, Deborah (Larry) Ramsey of Palm Bay, FL and Angelia (Andrew) Matthews of Goodlettsville, TN; and a host of aunts, uncles, neices, nephews, other relatives and friends.

### Minutes of Gold.

*Two or three minutes - two or three hours  
What do they mean in this life of ours?  
Not very much if but counted as time,  
But minutes of gold and hours sublimes.  
If only we'll use them once in a while  
To make someone happy - make someone smile  
A minute may dry a little lad's tears  
An hour sweep aside trouble of years.  
Minutes of my time may bring to an end  
Hopelessness somewhere, and bring me a friend.*

Obituary.