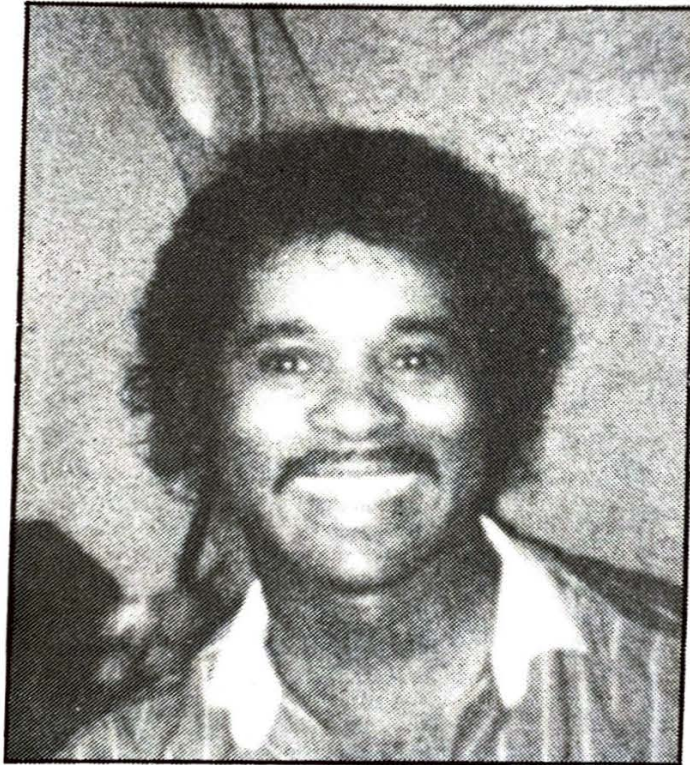


**OBSEQUIES**

*In Loving Memories*

— of —

***Michael Richard Eatman***



**SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 1988**

*11:00 a.m.*

**BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH**

1525 Michigan Avenue

Buffalo, New York 14209

†

***Reverend Eugene E. McAshan, Pastor***

## OBITUARY



*Let us pause to mourn the untimely death of our loved one*  
**Michael Richard Eatman**  
who departed this life on Sunday, January 17, 1988.

Michael was the son of Eleanor Eatman Minnfield and the late Richard Eatman. He was born on April 9, 1953 in Buffalo, New York.

Michael was graduated from Public School No. 74 and Bennett High School. He furthered his education by attending Erie Community College and State University of New York at Buffalo.

At a very early age, Michael showed signs of being a very creative, talented and gifted individual. He was a carpenter, an interior designer, a tailor and an accountant. His hobbies included bowling, roller skating and collecting tropical fish.

Michael was an active member of St. Matthew's Lodge No. 74 of International Free and Accepted Modern Masons.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his beloved mother: Mrs. Eleanor Eatman Minnifield; one sister: Mrs. Renee Swindle (Lee); one brother: Gregory Jelks; his loving grandparents: Jennie and Lonza Lett; one uncle: Gus Eatman; four great uncles, six great aunts; two great great uncles, two nephews: Jamar and Swazine Swindle; one niece: CeAndre Jelks; a host of cousins and countless numbers of friends.

*... Home at Last ...  
We are all God's children  
From the morning hour of birth  
He lets us live and laugh and love  
And have our day on earth.*

## ORDER OF SERVICE



Organ Prelude

Processional

Hymn No. 393 ..... Senior Choir  
*"Precious Lord"*

Invocation

Choral Response

Solo ..... Ms. Dolly Bostic

Scripture:

Old Testament ..... Psalm 23

New Testament ..... St. John 14:1

Solo ..... Rev. Henry A. Wynn

Expressions

Acknowledgments ..... Mrs. Alberta Ford

Obituary (*read silently*)

Selection ..... Celestial Choir

Eulogy ..... Rev. Eugene E. McAshan,  
Pastor

Recessional

*Interment:*

***Forest Lawn Cemetery***

*We watched you suffer  
And we watched you struggle  
And all we could do was just stand by  
When the time came, we suffered too*

*For you never knew or deserved  
What you went through*

*We lived in hope  
We prayed in vain*

*For God to make you well again  
It broke our hearts to lose you  
But you did not go alone*

*For part of us went with you the day  
God called you home.*

*Dear God,  
Take a message to him in heaven above  
Tell him how much we miss him  
And give him our love.*

**— The Family**

**... Pall Bearers ...**

*The Masonic Order*

**... Acknowledgments ...**

*The family extends sincere thanks for all acts of  
kindness and expressions of sympathy.*

**H. Alfred Lewis Mortuary**

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