

Mrs. Ida Bell Avent

Funeral services for Mrs. Ida Bell Avent were held Friday, February 10, 2006 at the Weeping Mary Baptist Church in Blair, South Carolina. Reverend Eddie McConnell officiated.

Mrs. Avent died on February 2, 2006.

Ida, daughter of Lem and Bama Coleman, was born on April 3, 1921 in Blair, South Carolina.

She was married to the late Roosevelt Avent on March 5, 1943 and had one child, Edwina Avent Beckett.

Ida graduated from Finley High School in Chester. She worked for the United States Government at the Washington Navy Yard shortly after graduation. In 1969 she began working for the District of Columbia Public Schools where she remained a devoted employee until her retirement in 1990.

Despite her challenges

from Alzheimer's as well as Diabetes, she remained strong and never gave up. She was a devoted mother and grandmother who gleamed with pride whenever she spoke of her family.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Julian Redwood Coleman and Willie Lem Coleman, as well as three sisters, Melvere Coleman, Sallie Elizabeth Harris and Bama Lee Davis.

Survivors include her daughter, Edwina Avent Beckett; four grandchildren, Kaiser J. Branham IV, Derek R. Branham, Edmund L. Beckett III and Mercedes Beckett-Simmons; two great-grandchildren, Destiny Simmons and Kaiya Braham; five sisters, Daisy Jackson, Nezzie McConnell (Eddie), Helen Davis (Charles), Etta Spruell and Bessie Feaster (David); two brothers, John Coleman (Margaret) and Jerome

Coleman (Alice); one Martha McClinton, s nieces and nephews host of relatives and fi

Both Stewart Fu Home of Washington, and Glover's Men Chapel of Winnsboro were in charge of arrangements.

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