Schaticqua "B.B." Owens

May 19, 1933 (Athens, AL)

August 13, 2013 (Rockford, IL)



Schaticqua "B.B." Owens, 80, departed this life on Tuesday, August 13, 2013, at Rockford's Presence St. Anne's Center. The family expresses their deepest appreciation to the St. Anne's staff.

Born May 19, 1933, in Athens, AL, the daughter of Stokey and Rosalee (Lincoln) Stephens, she moved to Rockford at an early age. Remarkably, "B.B." earned a General Equivalency Diploma while working and after rearing 5 children; that milestone is recognized on the Commencement Program for the West High School Class of 1961, as is that of her younger sister, our other Classmate, Wanda Stephens Nowling.

Survivors include her husband of 62 years, Robert L. Owens, Sr.; children, Sharon Moore, Robert L. (Fannie) Owens, Jr., Constance Taylor, Diedre (Andre) Harvey, and Stephen (Sheila) Owen; sisters, Jewel Love, Wanda Stephens Nowling, Rose (Charles) Hilton; brother, Richard Stephens; 10 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. "B.B." was predeceased by her parents; brother, Robert Stephens; and brothers-in-law, Louis Nowling, Sr., and Joe Love.

Service will take place at 11 a.m. Tuesday, August 20, 2013, at Pilgrim Baptist Church, 1703 S. Central Ave, Rockford, with Reverend Kenneth R. Board officiating. Visitation will be from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Church. Arrangements were completed by Collins & Stone Funeral Home, 128 S. 5th Street, Rockford 61104. Online condolences can be left at collinsandstonefh.com.

Reference:

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