



Ms. Alvern Evelyn Brown

November 21, 1932 - March 4, 2017

Alvern Evelyn Tarkington Brown was born on November 21, 1932 to Elex and Ruth Tarkington in Magnolia, Arkansas. As a child, she was affectionately nicknamed Kitty. Kitty received her formal education in Magnolia and was a 1950 graduate of Walker High School.

As a young adult, she relocated to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She married Curtis Brown, Jr. and to this union seven children were born. Kitty was employed by Milwaukee County where she worked for many years at the children's home. She later worked at Miller Brewery until her well-deserved retirement.

Kitty's favorite pastimes were fishing and gardening. She enjoyed fishing at Kletzsch Park in Glendale. Kitty's garden boasted a beautiful array of vegetables and her backyard produced spectacular fruit trees and bushes. In addition to being masterful at fishing and gardening, Kitty was a wonderful chef. The meals she lovingly and proudly prepared for her family truly were "soul food."

Kitty departed from this life on Saturday, March 4, 2017. She was preceded in death by her parents, Elex and Ruth Tarkington; brothers, Ervell, Elvis, Elbert Hubert, Herbert, J. c., and Billy Tarkington; and sisters, Lavern Tarkington and Helen McCree.

She leaves to cherish her memory: her children, Marietta "Peaches", Maurice, Monte, Marvello, Marqueesha, Marcellius, Marcia, and

Markina; her grandchildren, Carla, Renaldo, Jerry (Kendra), DiAsha "Dee", Alis "Cass", Alisha, Aliana, Marlissia, Travis, and Joy; eight great-grandchildren; one great-great granddaughter; two sisters, Irma Jean Hanson and Dorothy Foster; two brothers, John (Pearl) Tarkington and Loranzo (Lillian) Tarkington; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.