

*Memorial Celebration of Life for*



*Joyce Janice Dixon-Davis*

*Sunrise*  
*August 26, 1941*

*Sunset*  
*May 16, 2011*

*Monday, May 23, 2011 - 7:00 p.m.*

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2352 8th Avenue  
New York, New York 10027

## Obituary

**Joyce Janice Dixon-Davis** was born on August 26, 1941, in Jackson, Mississippi to the late Garrett Dixon and Georgia Lee Phillips-Dixon.

Joyce grew up and was raised along with her two sisters in Rosedale, Mississippi. In 1961, Joyce graduated from Rosedale Colored High School where she played basketball and was captain of the cheerleading squad. Later in that year, she relocated to Chicago, Illinois where she married her high school "Sweetheart," Richard B. Davis. From this union, three children were born; a daughter, Janice Yvette Davis and two sons, Danny Keith Davis and Richard Bunion Davis, Jr.

In 1962, the family moved to New York City. While in New York, she was a stay-at-home MOM. In the late 1960's, she became interested in furthering her education by attending Borough of Manhattan Community College. She also attended Wilfred Academy for Cosmetology.

During the Black Revolution of the late 1960's, Joyce experienced Black Self Awareness. In establishing her career, Joyce followed the long family tradition of teaching. She became a dedicated teacher at Muhammad University of Islam in Harlem, New York.

Joyce was humorous and caring. She had a reputation for being a prankster and a fun loving person who loved life. She was an extremely fashionable lady who dabbled in designing clothes. Joyce had a passion for singing which she had been performing most of her life. She also enjoyed cooking and sewing. Traveling to places like New Orleans, LA and Memphis, TN where she reunited with family and childhood friends was joyful for her.

On May 16, 2011, Joyce Janice Dixon-Davis, was called home to be with her Heavenly Father.

Joyce leaves to celebrate her life: her dear friend, Richard B. Davis, Sr.; her daughter, Janice; two sons, Danny and Richard; four grandsons, Karriem King, Keith Harris, Jordan Davis and Aaron Davis; two granddaughters, Karen King and Janice King; two great granddaughters, Tenia Baskerville and Essence Williams; a sister, Glorious Mohammed; one aunt, Sally Allen; a niece, Patricia Davidson; a nephew, Bilal Muhammad; a great niece, Pamannie Davidson; four great nephews, Hamzuh, Jordan, Jabril and Bilal; and a host of family and friends.

# *Order of Service*

Processional

Scripture ..... Danny Davis

Prayer ..... Danny Davis

Selection ..... Richard B. Davis, Jr.

Obituary ..... Danny Davis

Selection ..... Richard B. Davis, Jr.

Expressions ..... Sally Allen  
Richard B. Davis, Sr.  
Bilal R. Muhammad

Viewing

Closing Prayer

Recessional/ Song





## *In Passing*

Sometimes Mom in passing  
would pat you on the back  
And sometimes in passing s  
he'd show you the right track.

Sometimes Mom in passing would say,  
"You sure look nice!"  
And sometimes in passing she could,  
make you think twice.

Sometimes Mom in passing would  
lightly tough your hair  
And sometimes in passing she'd show you what was fair.

Sometimes Mom in passing would ask "What do you mean?"  
And sometimes in passing she would get in between.

Sometimes in passing would give you, "That look"  
And sometimes in passing would give you what it took.

But this time, Mis passing from this world to the best  
And this time in passing she'd pass the final test.

And when Mom has passed and the pain is so unkind  
Just look and you'll fine her there in your heart and mind

*~Author Unknown*

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The family wishes to express their deep appreciation  
and sincere thanks for your kindness during their time of sorrow.



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