

# Thomas Aquinas Williams, Jr.

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Sunrise November 12, 1946 Sunset July 9, 2011

Service

Saturday, July 16, 2011 - 12:00 Noon

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### Obituary

**Thomas Aquinas Williams Jr.** (Tom) was born on November 12, 1946 to Thomas and Yvonne Williams. The family consisted of two other sisters, Wanda (who predeceased Tom) and Yvonne Williams. The family resided on the lower East Side of New York during Tom's formative years.

Tom attended Our Lady of Sorrows Elementary School. It was not until he attended La Salle Academy that he developed his love for music. He joined the school band and played tenor saxophone. As a result he and his friends formed a small jazz band. Upon graduation from the Borough of Manhattan Community College he was drafted into the air force. He had an aptitude for computers and was placed in the classified division of the air force. Upon discharge he completed a bachelor of science and majored in math and biology at City College. Tom went on to pursue his education in the internet technology industry. He was always learning something new; he even went into the seminary for his master degree. He specialized in the IT database industry and worked at the airlines in Minnesota, then moved on to Virginia where he worked for the Virginia Lottery. He later returned to New York and worked at various IT positions at New York Life and Reuters where he was a technical trainer on cutting edge technology. He also taught database science at York College for a number of years. Just before Tom's retirement he entered the Board of education Fellowship Program and taught science. It was important to Tom to share his knowledge and experience with his students.

Tom enjoyed life and upon retirement decided to pursue his life dream of becoming a bass guitar player. He attended classes at New York Jazz academy which enabled him to begin to learn jazz improvisation and play within a jazz ensemble setting. Lately, Tom was also fortunate to practice with friends from his fellowship. This was when Tom was most happy.

The union between Tom and Sandra produced a son, Thomas Williams III and the union between Tom and Cynthia produced a son, Dante Williams. Tom met Brenda, the love of his life whom he shared his last days with.

Tom is survived by: his devoted sister, Yvonne Williams, two sons, Thomas and Dante Williams, his close friend and companion, Brenda and his step-daughter, Carla; and a host of other family members and friends.

## Order of Service

**Prayer of Consolation**Pastor

Scripture – 23rd Psalm Bert Lancaster

**Obituary** Chris Smalls

**Poem** Family Friend

**Eulogy** Pastor

Viewing

Benediction

Recessional





I am sorry I am not available at the moment.
I am somewhere around this great big city blending and integrating technology with education and music, enjoy the journey
- Tom!

#### Acknowledgements

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

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