

*In Loving Memory of*  
**Teddy McAlister**

*Sunrise*  
*April 6, 1950*

*Sunset*  
*June 29, 2012*

A portrait of a man with a beard and mustache, wearing a dark sweater over a collared shirt and tie. The background is a soft-focus, warm-toned landscape with trees.

*Service*  
*Tuesday, July 2, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.*

**ROY L. GILMORE'S FUNERAL HOME, INC.**  
191-02 Linden Blvd.  
St. Albans, New York 11412

*Pastor Lawrence Saunders, Officiating*  
*Michael Williams, Organist*

## Obituary

**Teddy Lee McAlister** was born on April 6, 1950 in New York City as the third of six children, to the parents of the late Williams and Ruby McAlister. Teddy departed this life on Friday, June 29, 2012 at the Margret Teitz Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Queens, NY.

Nurtured and raised in the admonition of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Teddy was an extremely multi-talented man and lived a principled life that enabled him to embrace and adopt the deeply rooted spiritual teachings of his parents that would follow him throughout his life. He leaves to mourn his dedicated and loving spouse of fourteen years, Marcelle Patricia. Their relationship together spanned almost twenty-five years.

Teddy was married at an early age to Sheila Maloney and out of this union was born their only child, Eric William McAlister who preceded him in death. Teddy is also preceded in death by older brothers, William Ralph, Horace Bernard and younger brother, Carl Vincent McAlister.

A proud native New Yorker, Teddy took full advantage of the educational opportunities afforded him through the City University of New York's Higher Education system. Upon graduation from Forest Hills High School in Queens, NY, Teddy charted a strategic plan for education and self-improvement that began with his attainment of a Bachelor's Degree in Economics from the City University (City College) of New York; accounting and finance courses at Bernard M. Baruch College of the City University of New York, Systems Design and Analysis for Mainframe Computer Processing at Queens College and Coursework in application programming in design and analysis at the New School for Social Research. Teddy knew that education was the key to professional achievement and, that knowledge was power. Thus he seized upon every educational opportunity to prepare himself to be competitive and well positioned for advancement. Teddy was also extremely talented with his hands and spent considerable energy on a variety of construction and home improvement projects for family and friends, a jack of all trades to those that knew him.

Consistent with his love for New York City, Teddy pursued a professional career with the New York City and New York State Criminal Justice Systems, beginning as a Court Officer with the New York City Criminal Court; as Correction Officer for the New York City Department of Corrections; and as Senior Court Officer and Senior Court Clerk with New York State's Unified Court System. When faced with health issues that he decided adversely affected his ability to meet performance standards, he ended his career upon retirement in 2010 as Principle Lan Administrator with New York State Unified Court System.

Teddy enjoyed life to its fullest capacity including his love for fishing and camping with his life partner and soul mate Marcelle and with his many friends and co-workers. His love for motorcycles and travel to places around this country and Canada were among his greatest joys. Teddy loved all forms of music but relied on his love for gospel music as a source of inspiration, strength and for sharing his testimony.

In addition to wife, Marcelle, Teddy leaves to mourn two sisters, Fay (Robert Gibson) and Joan (Lewis Footman); brother-in-law, Maurice Mayer (Edelmira); nephews, Troy McCord, Maurice Mayer, Jr. and Robert Gibson; niece, Karla Irving; mother-in-law, Hilda Wells; sisters-in-law, Linda Elliot, Brenda Wells and Sonia Daniel; brothers-in-law, Garnet Wells (Germaine), Randy DeAbreu; and a host of other nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends.

# Order of Service

Processional

Selection ..... “Blessed Assurance”

Scripture - Proverbs 3:1-14 ..... Joan McAlister-Footman

Prayer of Consolation ..... Pastor Lawrence Saunders

Selection ..... “Standing On The Promise - Organist

Reflections ..... Fay McAlister-Gibson

Obituary ..... Friend of the Family

Selection ..... “How Great Thou Art”  
Joan McAlister-Footman

Eulogy ..... Pastor Lawrence Saunders

Benediction

Recessional ..... “We’ve Come This Far By Faith”

**Final Disposition**

Fresh Pond Crematory  
Middle Village, New York

# Jesus

*His shed blood means  
We can live each day in His forgiveness.*

*His resurrection means  
We can walk constantly in newness of life.*

*His presence means  
We can know His victory in each situation.*

*His love means  
We will never face anything alone!*

## *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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