

*In Loving Memory*  
*Home Going Celebration for*  
***Lillie Mae Davis***

*Sunrise*  
May 25, 1943

*Sunset*  
July 30, 2012

**Service**

Tuesday, August 7, 2012 - 10:00 a.m.

**CHAMBERS MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH**

219 East 123rd Street • New York, NY

*Rev. Lawrence Edgerton, Officiating*

## *Obituary*

On Monday evening July 30, 2012, God Almighty in His wise providence called from earth to an everlasting home the soul of our beloved **Sister Lillie Mae Davis**. Death came quietly to her at Lenox Hill Hospital in New York City, following a long illness. Although her passing was a great personal loss to her family and many friends, we all bow in humble submission to the will of God. We all feel that it is now well with her soul.

Born in Turbeville, South Carolina on May 25, 1943, she was the daughter of the late Mr. James Davis and Mrs. Bernice Davis. She attended the New York City Public School system.

Lillie Mae got sick at an early age and suffered with a heart condition. Although she was sick, she gave birth to three beautiful children, whom she raised in New York City.

Lillie Mae became a faithful member of Providence Baptist Church in 1961. She loved the Lord and was not afraid to show it. She was a faithful member until God called her home. She was a home maker and a devoted caregiver. She loved barbecue cook-outs and cooking for friends and family. She loved music and always had a song in her heart.

She leaves a legacy of love, commitment and determination, she was blessed in that she also received her flowers while she was still here.

She leaves to cherish her loving memories: her daughter, Deborah Ann Williams; her two sons, Earl Kevin and Freddy James; her sister, Hester Ann; her brother, James (Sonny); twelve grandchildren, Lydell, Shalayla, Krystyna Dashae, Kevin Jr., Anthony, the late Angela, James, Authur, Jaquitta, Takeyshia, Tremell and Unisha; seven great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

You will be in our hearts, minds and souls forever. She will be missed by everyone whose lives she touched, but we take comfort in the fact that her soul is finally at rest.

# *Order of Service*

Processional

Selection ..... Church Choir

Scriptures ..... Psalm 27  
John Chapter 14:1-3  
John Chapter 3:16-17

Prayer of Comfort ..... Pastor Lawrence Edgerton

Hymn ..... Church Choir

Remarks

Solo ..... Rebekah Somersall

Obituary ..... Regina Sherman

Solo ..... Moezelle Reeves

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing (Last Glimpse)

Recessional

& Selection ..... "I'm Going Up A Yonder To Be With My Lord"

## **Interment**

Rosehills Memorial Park  
Putnam Valley, New York



*Death is just the gateway  
Our loved ones  
pass through  
On their way to the land  
Where we're all born anew.  
And while we can't see  
What's on  
death's other side,  
We know that Our Father  
Will richly provide  
All that He promised  
To those who believe  
And His kingdom is waiting  
For us to receive.*

*— Helen Steinger Rice*



### *Acknowledgement*

The family wishes to thank everyone for their condolences and best wishes during our time of bereavement.

*Special thanks to Melvin, granddaughter-in-law, Yeimi, Pam, Regina, Mary Outlaw, Ms. Dot, Beckie and Vickie.*

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Daughter  
Sister  
Mother  
Grandmother  
Great-Grandmother  
Friend

## "This Too Will Pass Away"

If I can endure for this minute  
Whatever is happening to me,  
No matter how heavy my heart is  
Or how "dark" the moment may be -  
If I can remain calm and quiet  
With all my world crashing about me,  
Secure in the knowledge God loves me  
When everyone else seems to doubt me -  
If I can but keep on believing  
What I know in my heart to be true,  
That "darkness will fade with the morning"  
And that **THIS WILL PASS AWAY, TOO!**  
Then nothing in life can defeat me  
For as long as this knowledge remains  
I can suffer whatever is happening  
For I know God will break "all the chains"  
That are binding me tight in "THE DARKNESS"  
And trying to fill me with fear -  
For there is **NO NIGHT  
WITHOUT DAWNING**  
And I know that  
"MY MORNING"  
is near.

HELEN STEINER RICE



SICKNESS AND SORROW  
COME TO US ALL,  
BUT THROUGH IT WE GROW  
AND LEARN TO STAND TALL.  
FOR TROUBLE IS PART  
AND PARCEL OF LIFE  
AND NO MAN CAN GROW  
WITHOUT STRUGGLE AND STRIFE  
AND THE MORE WE ENDURE  
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## ...I Do Not Go Alone...

I have had to bow my head  
with countless tears  
And the possibility of "An Uncommon Love"  
I had time to think to you  
But though the path I take is new  
I have found you in almost every  
Corner of my life, in my heart,  
In the love that binds us here,  
And though it may seem I lack  
The wisdom of the psalmist  
I am the "Tall by the Side of me", ...  
As I reach out  
I am like David's hand  
As I journey to the promised land!

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## ...I Do Not Go Alone...

I have had to bow my head  
with countless weeps  
And with a heavy heart  
I have had to drink to ease  
the pain though the pain I do not know  
I have drunk from a chalice of tears  
For the ones who brought me here,  
the father, the mother, the baby,  
And though it may seem I lack  
the strength to go on alone  
I am the "Tender Hearted Mother" ...  
And I reach out  
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