



*Homegoing Service  
Celebrating the Life of*

**Sunrise**

February 22, 1923

**Sunset**

August 20, 2012

*Mrs. Malinda Thorpe*

**Service**

Saturday, August 25, 2012 - 11:00 am

**Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church**

1002 Rivington Street

Roselle, New Jersey

Rev. Milton A. Byrd, Pastor

# Life Reflections

**Malinda "Lin" Thorpe** was born on February 22, 1923 in Boston, Massachusetts, daughter of Ernestine Davis Williams and John Williams. She lived in Roxbury, Massachusetts and attended public school there before relocating to New Jersey while in her early teens. The family briefly lived in Elizabeth with father, Mr. John Williams, and loving stepmother, Mrs. Nazareth "Nat" Williams, before settling in Roselle where she completed high school.

She was married to Ulysses "Bubbles" Thorpe, Jr. on July 1, 1940. Together they raised three children. She loved to listen to music and could always be heard singing softly while tending to her family's needs. She enjoyed an opportunity to be of help to those who needed a helping hand. She was a faithful member of Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church and would not miss a night on her knees in prayer. .

Malinda Thorpe is predeceased by her husband, Ulysses "Bubbles" Thorpe, Jr., her parents, and stepmother, Nazareth Williams; sister, Ernestine Richardson, brothers, Frank and Nate Williams; brother-in-law, Ulysses Richardson and sister-in-law, Florence Williams.

She leaves to cherish fond memories, a son, William Thorpe of Asbury Park, NJ; two daughters, Joan Whitfield and Sheryl Thorpe both of Elizabeth, NJ; two brothers, Vasico "Tac" Williams (Carol) of Plymouth, MA, and Harold Williams of New Jersey; five grandchildren, KJ Whitfield, Omari and Nile Carter-Thorpe, Yolanda Estrada, and Michael Thorpe; five great grandchildren, Tajhee Brown, Kenneth and Kayla Whitfield, DeMera and Ke'ina Banks and many devoted nephews, nieces, cousins, and friends.

## TO THOSE I LOVE

When I am gone, just release me.

Let me go so I can move into my afterglow.

You mustn't tie me down with your tears;

Let's be happy that we've had so many wonderful years.

I gave you my love; you can only guess  
how much happiness you have given me.

From the bottom of my heart

I thank you for the love and kindness you have shown,  
but now it's time I traveled on alone.

So grieve for me awhile, if grieve you must,  
then let your grief be comforted with trust.

It's only for awhile that we must part,  
so bless the memories within your heart.

And then, when you must come this way alone,  
I'll greet you with a smile and a "Welcome Home".

Lovingly and Sorrowfully,  
The Family

# Order Of Service

Processional

Organ Prelude

A Parting View

Hymn

Scriptures

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Hymn

Words of Comfort

Remarks .....KJ Whitfield - Grandson  
Taj Brown - Great Grandson  
Phyllis Moon - Family Friend

Acknowledgement of Condolences

Obituary

Hymn

Eulogy .....Rev. Milton A. Byrd

Recessional

## Interment

Graceland Memorial Park  
Kenilworth, New Jersey

*Services Entrusted To:*

**G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC**

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**“Where Our Sympathy Expresses Itself Through**

## **Pall Bearers**

Family and Friends of **Malinda Thorpe**

### **CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

Dear Family and Friends:

Please be advised that I have moved. I received a call from GOD, the Chief Architect, and he informed me that my new home was complete. You know that I've been building, sending up timber, packing and getting ready to go. I knew that my mansion needed some finishing touches and that the Chief Carpenter, JESUS CHRIS, had to inspect and give me the final approval. On August 20, 2012, he let me know that my mansion was complete and that I could move in; so He told me to go ahead and change my address.

Well, my new home is finished and what a sight it is to behold! There is peace, joy and happiness here, no worries and troubles, only sweet serenity. I can dine at the Master's bountiful table and listen to a Heavenly Choir.

I could go on and on about my new residence, but instead I'm going to pray that all of you get to move here yourself one day. Thank you, Lord! Before I go, let me give you my new address!

**Malinda Thorpe**

908 Jesus Way, Suite 459

God's Paradise, Heaven 00000

Love Always,  
**Lin**

#### ***Acknowledgement***

The family of **Malinda Thorpe** acknowledges with sincere appreciation every thought and act of kindness expressed to us during this our hour of bereavement.

We will always keep you in our prayers.

May God continue to richly bless you.

