

*In Loving Memory of*



*William Edward Henderson*

*Sunrise*  
February 23, 1916

*Sunset*  
September 1, 2012

Service

Wednesday, September 5, 2012 - 10:00 a.m.

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

*Rev. George Lyons, Jr., Officiating*  
*Marvin Hadley, Organist*

## Obituary

**William “Bill” Henderson** was born on February 23rd, 1916 to Charles and Florence Henderson in Dorchester County, Summerville, South Carolina. After going to school and being raised in South Carolina, Bill moved to New York City and worked awhile as a bell hop.

He was inducted into the United States Army on July 7th, 1941, where he became a Dental Technician, 5th Grade, and served in the 169th Detachment as an Engineer. His awards and citations include: The American Service Medal, The American Defense Service Medal, The European African Middle Eastern Service Medal, and The Good Conduct Medal. After serving for four years and four months, Bill received an Honorable Discharge on November 12th, 1945.

After returning to New York, Bill married Clara. They had one son, Louis Henderson.

Bill married his current wife, Bessie Nelson Henderson on December 5th, 2002.

When it came to music, Bill was a serious Jazz fan. In his album collection, you’ll find Nat King Cole, John Coltrane, Johnny Hammond, Miles Davis, Grover Washington Jr., Duke Ellington and many more Jazz innovators.

William Henderson joined our ancestors on September 1st, 2012.

Left to cherish his memory are: his wife, Bessie; daughter-in-law, Rose; nephew, Carl Green and family; niece, Earlean Green and family; granddaughter, Monet, and many, many more close relatives and friends. And now, as an ancestor, Bill can shine some guidance upon us, and have some fun jazzin’ it up.

# *Order of Service*

**Processional**

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Rev. George Lyons, Jr.

**Committal**

**Viewing**

**Recessional**

**Interment**

Calverton National Cemetery

Calverton, New York

## *Crossing The Bar*

Sunset and evening star,  
And one clear call for me!  
And may there be no moaning of the bar,  
When I put out to sea,  
But such a tide as moving seems asleep,  
Too full for sound and foam,  
When that which drew from  
out the boundless deep  
Turns again home.  
Twilight and evening bell,  
And after that the dark!  
And may there be no sadness of farewell,  
When I embark;  
For tho' from out our bourne  
of Time and Place  
The flood may bear me far,  
I hope to see my Pilot face to face  
When I have crost the bar.

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.  
God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*



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