Elizabeth Mae Terry-Edwards

In Loving Memory

Sunrise April 25, 1938

Sunset October 22, 2012

<u>Service</u> Sunday, October 28, 2012 - 5:00 p.m.

## ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH

515 West 125<sup>th</sup> Street • New York, NY 10027 *Pastor Shon T. Adkins, Officiating* 

<u>Obituary</u>

**Elizabeth Mae Davis Terry** was born on April 25, 1938 in Charleston, West Virginia. She was the third of four children born to James (Jay) Davis, and Mary Martha Davis whom are both deceased. Far too soon, Elizabeth was taken from us on October 22, 2012.

Elizabeth was united in marriage to James Lee Terry (Deceased) on February 14, 1953 in Charleston, West Virginia. From this union were born six children; Jeriesha Ann, Percy Lee, Victor Romero (deceased), Carol Lajune (deceased), Steven, and Marcus Vandy. After pursing her career and raising her children, Elizabeth was joined in matrimony to Samuel O. Edwards (deceased) on September 16, 1996.

Elizabeth and her family relocated from West Virginia to New York City on January 2, 1957. Elizabeth continued her education in New York, and was successful in receiving her Associates degree in Nursing from Manhattan Community College, her Bachelors in Science from Long Island University, and her Masters degree in Public Health from Hunter College's Graduate School. Elizabeth continued her career and was employed by prestigious facilities such as; Arthur C. Logan Memorial Hospital until its closing, a Rehabilitation Center on 126th street in Harlem, and retired from St. Luke's Hospital on April 16, 2003 as a nurse manager. Elizabeth loved her career as a nurse. Her patients loved her for the quality of care she provided, and her advocacy for their rights. Elizabeth was known to go the extra mile for anyone in need.

Elizabeth was affectingly known as Fluggie to those who knew her. She had a kind heart and spirit that one could easily latch onto. She would welcome you into her home and instantly treat you like family. When her children were younger her home would be the place to be. She was the captain to her family's ship. She made sure everyone was safe, healthy, had a home with food on the table. If she knew someone was in need she would send someone to take care of it. She made sure her family was always well taken care of; she never let anything stand in her way.

Elizabeth Mae Davis Terry accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior after being baptized in Young Street Baptist Church in West Virginia at the age of 10. As an adult she was an active member of Antioch Baptist Church in New York City. Elizabeth spent the remainder of her free time reading, singing, flower arranging, traveling, spending time with her grandchildren, shopping, event planning for her family, and browsing the internet. She single handedly kept lands' end and JC Penney in business. Each year her grandchildren would receive two new coats with matching accessories including boots, way before the first storm hit. She was always prepared and looked ahead towards the future.

As Elizabeth embarks on her journey to Heaven she will be survived by: her loving children, Jerisha, Percy, Steven, Marcus, and her adopted son Gerald Rene Watson whom all reside in New York City; As well as her grandchildren, Paul, Marcus, Elysha, Angel, Felicia, Kaleb, Percy Jr, Naomi, Kayla, Lydia, Saquasia, Jahquell, Emily and Aaron; She leaves behind three daughter-in-laws, many nieces, nephews, cousins and her special and dear friends, Delores Horton, Odessa Matthews, Charlease Logan, Joan Thompkins, Gloria Meadows and Gloria Gaston.

<u>Order of Service</u>

"Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me." John 14:1 Presiding......Pastor Shon T. Adkins Musical Prelude Processional.....Family and Friends Solo......Marcus Brown Prayer of Comfort.....Pastor Shon T. Adkins Scripture Reading of Acknowledgements & Obituary......Marcus Terry Julia Terry Solo......Marcus Brown Selection.....Combined Choirs of Antioch Church Inspirational Solo Eulogy......Pastor Shon T. Adkins Final Viewing......Family and Friends Benediction

Committal and Recessional

"To me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain"

## <u>Interment</u>

Rosehill Cemetery Linden, New Jersey

## **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 had so many years. I gave you my love; you can only guess how much you gave me in happiness. I thank you for the love you each have shown, but 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 a while 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".

Elizabeth "Fluggie" Terry

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

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.

