

In Loving Memory

of



Mrs. Nancy Goodwin

Sunrise

March 10, 1910

Sunset

August 16, 2013

Service

Thursday, August 22, 2013 - 10:00 a.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

Rev. Janet Aiken, Officiating

In Loving Memory of "Mother"

Nancy Goodwin was born March 10, 1910, in Tifton County, Ga to George Washington Davis and Daphne Logan Davis. Before moving to New York City in the early 1940's, Nancy attended school in Waycross, Ga. During her educational period, Nancy also learned to sew. Her profession as a seamstress in NYC's Garmet District spanned over fifty years until she retired in the mid 1990's.

Nancy's first marriage to Timothy Dunbar, a WWI veteran, preceded her move to New York. Widowed during the early years of this marriage, Nancy later moved to New York where she met and married Samuel (Sammy) Goodwin in 1949, a WWII veteran. Never having children of her own, Nancy brought her preteen niece, Betty Weston, from Waycross to New York to raise as her own after the untimely passing of Betty's mother and Nancy's older sister, Emma.

Intertwined with her job as a seamstress, Nancy became co-proprietor with Sammy of a small Harlem grocery store until Sammy's health started failing and they chose to close the store. Always upbeat, Nancy enjoyed cruises, church outings, social gatherings with friends, and senior summer camp in Upstate NY. Affectionately known as "Mother" by Betty and her children, Nancy endeared herself as "Mother" to nearly every young person that met her.

Remaining active and present until illness overcame her at the age ninety-eight, Nancy still continued to minister, guide, and offer her infinite wisdom to family and friends from her bedside until she was ready to let go of this earthly life and become spirit, joining God's ranks of the beloved. During her last two years of life, God sent two of his own, Janet Tonto, who unselfishly tended to her needs until her very last breath and Diana Frederick who brought vitality back into Mother's life during her last two weeks.

Preceding Nancy's call to her heavenly home are, siblings, Odessa Grooms (Sam-dec), George Davis (Julia-dec, Florence-dec), Bertha, and Rufus (Mamie-dec), "daughter" Betty, "granddaughters" Diane, Pamela, "grandson" Rudolph Jr., husbands Timothy Dunbar and Samuel Goodwin, and a wealth of loving relatives and friends. Leaving to cherish and love her phenomenal unselfish spirit are: "son-in-law" Rudolph (Betty-dec, Gloria), "granddaughters" Sheryl (Frederick), Vanessa (Henry-dec), Benja (Lucius), nephews Cleotis Weston (Mary) and Titus Dunbar (Val); nieces Elizabeth Brownridge ("Brownie"-dec), Marie Dunbar Reed (James-dec), Evelyn Dunbar, Geraldine Goodwin, ten great-grands, Mischellyne, Ronaye, Christopher, Rachel, Anthony, Eurydice, Gregory, Andres, Rudolph and Ebony; eleven great-great grands; five great-great-great grands, or as Mother would say "Now wait a minute with all of those greats" and many, many more relatives and friends.

"Mother" ~What A Blessing You Have Been In Our Lives!

Order of Service

Family Processional

Opening Prayer.....Rev. Janet Aiken

Scripture Readings

Old Testament.....Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

New Testament.....1 Corinthians 15:50-54

Solo.....“His Eye Is On The Sparrow”
Rev. Janet Aiken

Poem

Cards and Acknowledgements

Words of Endearment from Family and Friends

Solo.....“When I See Jesus”
Rev. Janet Aiken

Eulogy and Closing Prayer.....Rev. Janet Aiken

Final Viewing

Interment

Pinelawn Memorial Park Cemetery
Farmingdale, New York

Repast

*480 St. Nicholas Avenue (134 St. & 8th Ave.), 2nd Floor
Community Room Following interment*

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day.
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much.
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

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