



In Loving  
Memory  
of

*Robert Morris*

**Sunrise: August 25, 1932**  
**Sunset: November 16, 2015**

Service

Tuesday, November 24, 2015 - 6:00 p.m.

**FIRST SHARON BAPTIST CHURCH**

233 East 116th Street • New York, NY

*Daryl G. Ware, Pastor*

*Dawn Heywood, Evangelist*

*Soul Saving Station*

## Obituary

**Robert M. Morris** began his journey in life August 25, 1932, a journey which ended November 16, 2015. The first of four children born to Robert S.E. and Ismay S. Morris. He lived most of his 83 years in Manhattan, New York. He was baptized and received his early Christian Training under the leadership of his Godfather, Rev. Robert H. McLean, Pastor of the Ebenezer Wesleyan Methodist Church.

He attended Public schools P.S. 86, P.S. 171 and the graduated from Machine and Metal Trades High School in 1950.

Robert yearned to travel and volunteered for the Military Service joining the Air Force in 1952. Doing tour of Duty in North Carolina, Texas and Greenland, and was awarded an Honorable Discharge in 1956. Returning back to New York, he was part of a neighborhood social club called "The Socials", where the nickname "Keys" originated.

In 1958, Keys fell in love and joined in Holy Matrimony to Phyllis Rollings. Together they was blessed with four children; Karen Yvette, Robert II, Yvonne Marie, Keith Steven.

He loved to travel, visiting many parts of the world; Freeport, Alaska, Egypt, Antigua, Barbados, and Other Caribbean Islands just to name a few. He also loved music from the 1950's -1960's Era.

On June 10, 1970 Keys joined The Masons, Jappa Lodge # 455. Several years later he was elevated to the 33rd Degree Worthy Master on January 19, 1976. Also, he became an Employee of the NYC Transit Authority (Mabstoa) until his retirement.

Preceded in death by his eldest son, Robert Morris II. Keys leaves to cherish his Memory: wife, Phyllis; daughters, Edith Weston (South Carolina), Karen Morris-Pridgen (Dillette) New Windsor, NY, Yvonne Nesmith (South Carolina); one son, Keith (NY); thirteen grandchildren, Robert Montgomery III (Lil Bob), Anthony (Mookie), Jonathan, Richard, (Ree) Lydia, Donnell, Quran, Joshua, Chantel, Channa, Kamaal, Keith II (Lil Keith) and Shaneese; seventeen great-grandchildren; three god-children, Dawn Heyward, Michael Edmondson, Steven Kelly; one sister, Edith Morris; two brothers, Kenneth and Eugene Morris; two sisters-in-law, Marilyn Walters and Laurel Morris; six brothers-in-law, Melvin, David, Ashton, George, Edmond and Calvin Gittens; and a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, cousins and friends.

# Order of Service

Worship Leader.....Rev. Daryl G. Ware

Processional

Congregational Hymn..... “Blessed Assurance” # 27

Scripture

Prayer

Musical Selection..... Gospel Ensemble

Reflections/Remarks .....(2 minutes)

Musical Selection .....Gospel Ensemble

Acknowledgements and Resolutions..... Sis. Rita Richardson  
Church Clerk

Obituary.....Robert Morris III

Musical Selection..... Rev. Daryl G. Ware/Gospel Ensemble

Eulogy .....Evangelist Dawn Heyward

Invitation to Discipleship

Benediction

Final Viewing

## Interment

Maple Grove Cemetery  
Kew Gardens, New York

# Because You Loved Me

You were my strength when I was weak,  
You were my voice when I couldn't speak,  
You were my eyes when I couldn't see,  
You saw the best there was in me.  
Lifted me up when I couldn't reach;  
You gave me faith 'coz you believed.  
I'm everything I am  
Because you loved me.  
I lost my faith, you gave it back to me;  
You said no star was out of reach.  
You stood by me and I stood tall,  
I had your love I had it all.  
I'm grateful for each day you gave me;  
Maybe I don't know that much  
But I know this much is true-  
I was blessed because I was loved by you.

## Acknowledgement

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

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