

Celebrating the Life of
Mavis Woollery

May 15, 1928 - May 14, 2017

Viewing - 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 4, 2017 - 5:00 p.m.

PHILADELPHIA SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

909 East 233rd Street • Bronx, NY 10466

Officiating Ministers

Pastor E. Baldwin

Pastor Bernard Richards

Eulogy

“To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven.”

Mavis Woollery was born to Aubrey Woollery and Louise McIntosh-Woollery on May 15, 1928 in the parish of Westmoreland, the beautiful island of Jamaica. Upon their death, while Mavis was of an early age, she was entrusted to the care of her aunt, Francis McIntosh, (Aunt Fan). Her sunset came on the midnight hour of May 14, 2017 in the Montefiore Hospital in the Bronx, a place where she placed confidence in the healthcare providers, and hereby entrusted her care to them.

Mom, Miss May, Grandma, or Mother Woollery as she was affectionately called was a phenomenal woman. She was a very hard worker who had an intense determination to succeed. At an early age she developed an interest in the design of dresses. This was something she watched her aunt (Aunt Fan) doing for many years. She was assiduously trained by Aunt Fan and ultimately acquired the skill of a seamstress. It wasn't long after she migrated to London, England where she continued this profession. After spending about twenty-one memorable years in London, she decided to join friends in the United States of America, The Bronx, New York in particular. It was here in the Bronx that she qualified herself as a caregiver and resorted to caring for the elderly. She worked in this field for many years, and was able to fulfil her major dreams.

Mavis was actively involved in her church. As a matter of fact, she got the name Mother Woollery from one specific consistent act. One Sunday after one of Pastor Richard's sermons she provided him with a cup of tea and a cookie, thus the name 'Mother Woollery'. She is one of those ladies who when you come in contact with her, an overwhelming sense of joy engulfs you. Mother Woollery's core motivating force was – LOVE and it was her love that has had a profound impact on the essence of who we are, she certainly lives on in our hearts. She certainly gave us the foundation on which our life is built. A calling to live a life of service and to help make the world a better place. I was taught by her the greatest lesson; how to be caring, affectionate, forgiving, and empathetic towards others, especially those in need. She exemplified service, be it to her own family or her church family. Finally, on May 14, she succumbed to her illness and went to rest in the Lord.

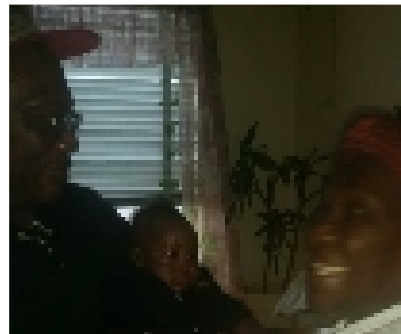
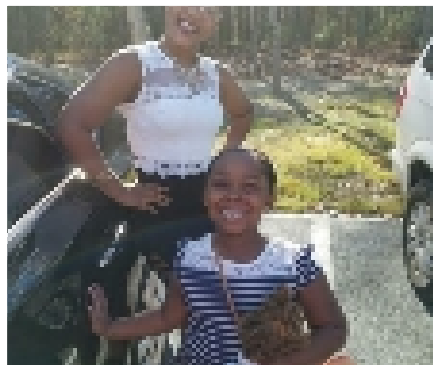
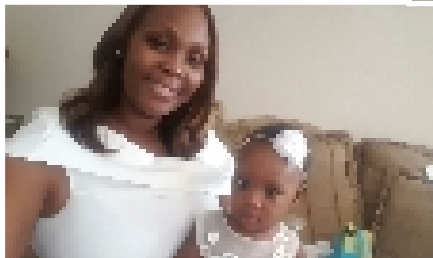
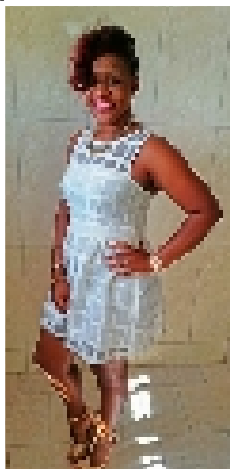
Mavis Woollery was blessed with three boys, Lloyd McDonald, Robert Woollery, and George Allen who have grown to be outstanding men. Unfortunately, one of her sons (Lloyd) preceded her. She left behind sons, Robert Woollery and George Allen; daughter-in-law, Ica Allen; grandchildren, Clinton Woollery, Dave McDonald, Carlene McDonald, Andrea Allen, Kadia Allen, and Lloyd Woollery; great grand, Angell Caines, Troy Jr. Caines, Kai Reaves, Reign Reaves, Kyrie McDonald, Alecia Wallace, and E'Adria Bernard; many friends and relatives.

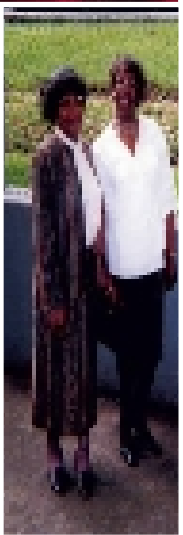
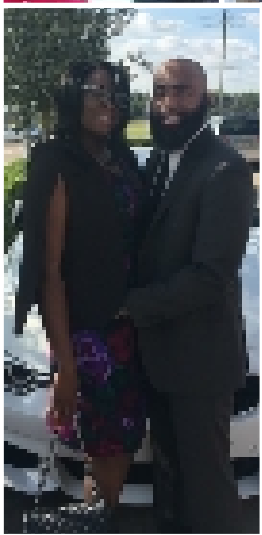
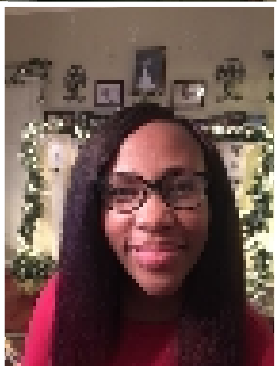
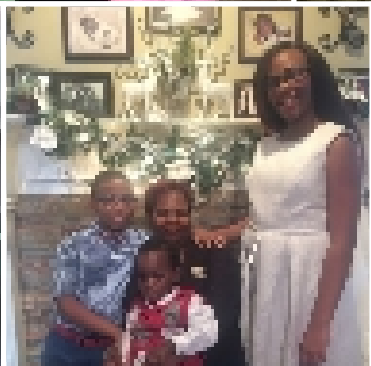
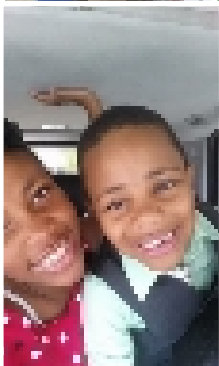
Order of Service

Musical Prelude	Organist
Processional	Pastor E. Baldwin
Opening Remarks/ Welcome	Elder L. Williams
Invocation	Pastor E. Baldwin
Opening Hymn #430 (Joy By and By)	Sis. L. Francis
Scripture Readings	
Revelations 21:1-7	Kadia Allen (granddaughter)
Psalm 121	Angell /Troy Jr. Caines (great grand)
Selection	Philadelphia Temple Choir
Reflection	Pastor Richards
	Rozena Rattigan (friend)
	Andrea Caines (granddaughter)
	Sis. L. Francis (friend)
	Sis. Jacqueline Dillon (friend)
Eulogy	Rozena Rattigan (friend)
Homily	Pastor E. Baldwin
Selection	Philadelphia Temple Choir
Prayer of Comfort	Pastor Richards
Closing Hymn (We are nearing home)	Elder L. Dillon
Benediction	Elder L. Dillon
Final Viewing	Eternity Funeral Services Director

*After the service, please join the family for repast
and fellowship in the Church's Hall.*

Final Disposition
*Woodlawn Cemetery & Crematory
Bronx, New York*





Joy By and By

O there'll joy when the work is done,
Joy when the reapers gather home,
Bringing the sheaves at set of sun
To the New Jerusalem.

Chorus:

Joy, (Joy) joy, there'll be joy by and by,
Joy, (Joy) joy, where the joys never die;
Joy (Joy) joy, for the day draweth nigh
When the workers gather home.

Sweet are the songs that we hope to sing,
Grateful the thanks our hearts shall bring
Praising forever Christ our King
In the New Jerusalem.

Pure are the joys that await us there,
Many the golden mansions fair;
Jesus Himself doth them prepare,
In the New Jerusalem.



We Are Nearing Home

Just over the mountains in the Promised Land,
Lies the holy city built by God's own hand;
As our weary footsteps gain the mountain's crest,
We can view our homeland of eternal rest.

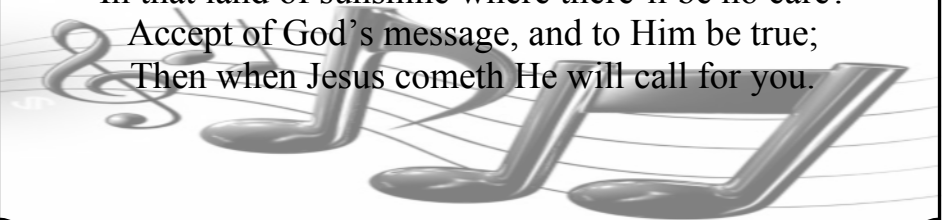
Refrain

*We are nearing home! We are nearing home
See the splendor gleaming from the domes afar!
See the glory streaming through the "gates ajar"
There we soon will enter, nevermore to roam,
Hear the angels singing ' we are nearing home!
We are nearing home.*

In the rolls of the prophets we have long been told
Of that wondrous city with its streets of gold;
Now with raptured vision we can see it there,
With its walls of jasper and its mansions fair.

Those who enter that city are the faithful few
Who keep God's commandments-faith of Jesus, too;
There we'll lift our voices through the endless days,
In sweet songs of gladness and in psalms of praise.

My brother, my sister, will you meet us there,
In that land of sunshine where there'll be no care?
Accept of God's message, and to Him be true;
Then when Jesus cometh He will call for you.



A portrait of Mavis Woollery, a woman with short dark hair and glasses, wearing a light-colored blouse and a dark jacket. She is smiling slightly and looking towards the left. The background is a soft, out-of-focus floral arrangement with pink and white roses.

Pallbearers

George Allen (son)
Troy Caines Sr. (grand son-in-law)
Lloyd Dillon (friend)

Dave McDonald (grandson)
Troy Caines Jr. (great grandson)
Milton Porter (family member)

Acknowledgement

The family of Mavis Woollery acknowledges with great appreciation all acts of kindness, sympathy and love extended to us during this time of bereavement.

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