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*TO THOSE I LOVE AND THOSE WHO LOVE ME*

When I am gone release me , let me go.  
I have so many things to see and do.  
You must not tie yourself to me with tears  
Be happy that we had so many years  
I gave my love, you can only guess  
How much you gave to me in happiness.  
I thank you for the love, You each have shown,  
But now it's time I traveled on alone.

So grieve a while for me, If grieve you must.  
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.  
It is only for a while that we must part,  
so bless the memories within your heart.

I will not be far away for life goes on.  
So if you need me, call and I will come.  
Though you can't see or touch me, I will be near.  
And if you listen with your heart, You will hear;  
All of my love around you, Soft and clear.  
And then, when you must come this way alone,  
I will greet you with a smile and a  
"Welcome Home".

*Your Special Friend Glenda*

.....*PallBearers*.....

Family and friends

.....*Acknowledgements*.....

The family wishes to express sincere appreciation for all the  
kindness shown them during the passing of their Loved one.  
May God bless each of you. *The Family*

.....*Interment*.....

*Concordia Memorial Gardens*

In Loving Memory of

**Henry Coplin**

July 21, 1951

August 11, 1997



Friday, August 15, 1997  
11:00 A.M.

*Friendship Baptist Church*

402 Clinton Street  
Buffalo, New York

Pastor Reverend A. Charles Ware, Officiating

## *Obituary*

Henry Coplin was born July 21, 1951, in Sumter, South Carolina to the late Bertha Amelia Coplin Fullard and Wallace McCleary. He departed this life on Monday, August 11, 1997 at Buffalo General Hospital. Jannie Davis and the late Wille R. Davis were parents to Henry since the young age of four.

Henry was active in St. Luke A.M. E. Zion Church as a young lad and sang in the choir. He recently joined and was baptized at Friendship Baptist Church. He was united in marriage to Linda Isley Coplin in 1975

He attended Buffalo Public Schools and graduated from Bennett High School.

He leaves to mourn his memories : his mother, Jannie Davis; wife , Linda; children : Michele, Kim, Donna, Christie, Ca'trese, Tiffany, Corey, Tonia, Brandon and Brenden; nineteen grandchildren, eleven brothers: John H. (Helen) Davis, Sammie L. Davis, Thomas E. (Diane) Davis of Buffalo N.Y.; Bobbie Ann Fullard, James (Shifferlynn) Fullard, Terry (Wanda) Fullard, William Fullard, Hawatha McCleary, Lourenza (Janice) McCleary, Hawghhorna (Rosa M.) McCleary of Sumter, S.C.; five sisters: Willie L. McCullough (John J.) of Buffalo, N.Y.; Joyce Davis, Loretta ( Johnnie L) Johnson, Cynthia (Fabian) Maple, Joetta Fullard of Sumter S.C., a dear friend Glenda Coit and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by Bertha Amelia Fullard ( birth mother), Willie Davis ( paternal parent), Wallace McCleary (birth father); brothers: Julius Davis and Bobby Joe Fullard.

## *Auspices*

*Thomas Edwards Funeral Home  
995 Genesee Street  
Buffalo, New York*

## *Order of Service*

*Prelude*

*Processional .....Clery and Family*

*Selection*

*Scripture Reading.....Rev. William Coplin*

*Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Charles Ware*

*Selection*

*Remarks*

*Acknowledgements of Condolences.....Church Clerk*

*Obituary( read in silence)*

*Eulogy.....Rev. Charles Ware*

*Recessional*

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*....Love Your Daughters and Grandchildren.....*

*In tears we saw you sinking and watched you fade away.  
Our hearts were broken, because we wanted you to stay.*

*But now that you are sleeping, so peacefully from pain.  
GOD knows best and called you Home*

*We will Remember the Love, You taught Us  
We will let it grow with devotion and spread it everywhere*