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**In Loving Memory
Of
RALPH DAVIS SR.**

Sunrise
January 20, 1929

Sunset
September 30, 2007



Saturday October 6, 2007
Wake 11:00 A.M.
Funeral 12:00 P.M.

Hopewell Baptist Church
1301 Fillmore Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14211

Officiating Minister
Rev. Dennis Lee Jr.

OBITUARY



"Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest".

- Matthew 11:28 -

Ralph Davis, one of six children, was born on January 20, 1929 to the late Bernie and Theodosia Davis in Camden, New Jersey.

Ralph departed this life on Sunday September 30, 2007. He graduated from Camden High School. In 1955, Ralph came to Buffalo, New York.

Ralph was the assistant manager and later the Senior District manager for the Ellicott and Talbert Mall project. He was the owner of the Golden Nuggett from 1977-1990 which was the setting for many political functions, church and civic banquets and affairs. Ralph Davis served as the President of the North Fillmore Democratic Club and as a Committeeman for the Fillmore District.

After closing the Golden Nuggett, Ralph was appointed as a board member of the Buffalo Convention Center.

Ralph leaves in parting his wife, Bertha Davis, a son, Ralph Jr. (Mary), a daughter, La Verne A. Davis from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, a step daughter, Michele Robinson and Grand children, Shawn Robinson, Clarence Simmons, Natasha Hill, Ralph Davis III, Kimberly and Rodney and Carmen, Chelise and Jason Davis. Great Grand Children: Erika and Felicia Matthews; Tyrike, Jalliya and Rashauna Robinson. Cousin, Jeanette Meade from Lawnside , New Jersey; and a Nephew, Roland, (Marie) Corsey from Washington, D.C., a very special friend, Dr. George Leak and a host of relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Processional	Hopewell Choir
Prayer	
Opening Hymn	Hopewell Choir
Scripture	Psalm 27 : 1-2 St. John 14 : 1-7
Musical Selection	Mr. Craig Brown
Moments of Reflection	
Selection	Ms. Jackie White
Cards, Acknowledgements, Obituary	Ms. Janet E. Barnes
Precious Lord	Mr. Darryl M. Saxon II
Eulogy	Rev. Dennis Lee Jr.
Recessional	Hopewell Choir

Pallbearers

Mr. Charles McAdory Jr.
Mr. Shawn Robinson
Mr. Acie Stephens

Mr. Charles Robinson
Mr. Clarence Simmons
Mr. Willie Warren



Interment
St. Matthews Cemetery

FOR ONE WHO GIVES SO MUCH TO OTHERS

LaVerne Davis



It's not the things that can be brought that are life's richest treasure,
It's just the little "heart gifts" that money cannot measure
A cheery smile, a friendly word, a sympathetic nod
Are priceless little treasures from the store house of our God
They are the priceless things in life for which no one can pay,
And the giver finds much recompense in giving them away
And who on earth gives more, away and does more good for others
Than understanding, kind and wise and self less, loving Father
Who ask no more than just the joy of helping those
That love to find in life the happiness that they are dreaming of.
Daddy, I will truly miss you!

MESSAGE TO GRANDPA

Shawn Robinson

*GrandPa, what can I say
You were my backbone, and my friend
You raised me from a toddler
You taught me the ends and outs of everything
And I will never forget it.
I will miss you and that I love you and
Your spirit will live on through me.*

MESSAGE TO GRANDPA

Clarence Simmons

*Grandpa, what can I say about you,
You opened up to me with open arms,
You gave me guidance and wisdom
And I will always cherish that
Right from wrong and I accept that
Grandpa I love you and miss you
And your spirit will always live on.*

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to acknowledge with grateful appreciation the cards, letters, flowers, telegrams and expressions of sympathy in this hour of our bereavement.