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Life Reflections

Bettie Jane Davis was born July 18th, 1943 in Vicksburg, Mississippi to Wilbert Davis and Hattie Garrett Davis. She was the fifth of her parents eight children. She was preceded in death by her parents and 2 of her siblings Edna Earl Dread and Walter Davis.

Her mother Hattie Davis instilled the importance of loving God and education in all of her children. Bettie became a member of People's Community Church during her youth. She continued to attend when she began her own family as a young adult. She was educated in the public schools of Buffalo NY, and graduated from East High School in 1963.

Bettie and the late Walter Linwood Sumner united in holy matrimony on May 27, 1967. Born to this union were three daughters, Dawn Lind (Brian Lind), Renee Sumner (Sterling Nichols), Nicole Gilkes (Armando Gilkes). She later was blessed with four granddaughters Trinity Sumner, Noel Gilkes, Sophia Lind, Jada Gilkes. Her granddaughters were the joy of her heart.

She was a passionate sports fan. She loved the Buffalo Bills, Kansas City Chiefs and the Royals. She enjoyed listening to music and spending time with her daughters and granddaughters. She was passionate about cooking and trying new recipes to test on her family.

In 1984 Bettie and Walter moved their family to Blue Springs, MO where Bettie was a devoted wife and mother. Their three girls were blessed to have her as a stay at home mom. As her first granddaughter entered school she became a noon aide for the Kansas City MO School District. This allowed her to continue surrounding herself with children. Later she became a stay at home grandmother to her younger granddaughters. She also joined her family at Capernaum Missionary Baptist Church in 2002 and rededicated herself to Christ. She departed this life surrounded by family on Wednesday July 22, 2015.

Bettie will be mourned by her daughters and granddaughters, her siblings, Wilbert Davis Jr, Julia Davis, Joseph Davis, Delores Davis, and Tommie Davis, her in-laws Warnell Riley, and Bobbie Dell Sumner, and a host of nieces and nephews.

*But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength;
they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and
not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.*

- Isaiah 40.31

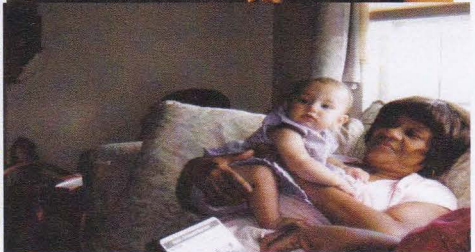


Bettie Sumner Life Celebration









Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Gathering

The Word of Grace

Greeting

Opening Song

“How Great Thou Art”

UMH #77

Opening Prayer

Scripture

Alicia Waller

Old Testament:

Proverbs 121

New Testament

Isaiah 40:31

Ministry of Music

Amazing Grace

Acknowledgements & Obituary

Remarks

Family & Friends (Please limit to 2 minutes)

Ministry of Music

His Eye is on the Sparrow

Gospel Lesson

John 14:1-4

Sermon

Pastor George F. Nicholas

Recessional

Going Up Yonder



I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore. -Psalm 121

Pallbearers

Antonio Davis
Garrett Fryar

Wilbert Davis Jr.
Brian Lind

Jason Bains,
Armando Gilkes.



Honorary Pallbearers

Khaison Fortner
Charles Smith

JaRon Saulsbury
Sterling Nichols

An Angel

*An angel lived among us, A gift from God above.
She showered us with kindness And shared with us her love.
She cherished every moment With the man who was her life;
Walking hand in hand together,
Facing life with all its strife. She loved her children dearly,
Each one a different way, Nestled close within her heart.
Though, now, she's far away.
She's gone to live with Jesus. But, she's here with us, today,
Smiling down on every one of us,
And telling us she's O.K.*



Arrangements Entrusted to:

Amigone Funeral Home, Inc.
Delaware Chapel
1132 Delaware Avenue
Buffalo, NY US 14209

Interment

Forest Lawn Cemetery (Buffalo)
1411 Delaware Ave.
Buffalo, NY 14209



Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express our sincere gratitude for you expressions of sympathy, and many acts of kindness shown during our time of bereavement. Please continue to pray for our family and my God bless each and everyone of you.