

<u>Obituary</u>

Mary Ella Lewis was born December 5, 1928 to James and Florence Roy in Washington, Virginia. Her mother affectionately called her Mary Ella "Sis".

She attended school in Washington, Virginia; after graduating, she came to New York City to continue her education and lived with her older sisters, Sara and Adelle.

Mary Ella at an early age loved to sing and was gifted with a beautiful Soprano voice. Mary did several recitals while in New York.

Mary met and married Howard Winfield Lewis; through this union was born, Carol Elizabeth, Howard Winfield Jr. and Veronica Florence.

Mary raised her children in the knowledge of the Lord. She believed it was important to send her children to Sunday school.

Mary accepted Jesus Christ as her personal savior as a young woman. In 1963 she joined Soul Saving Station For Every Nation, the late Bishop Jessie H. Winley was the Overseer.

Mary was inspired by the teaching and preaching of the late Bishop Jessie H. Winley. There were many sermons that helped with her growth in the Lord, but here favorites were "How Can Your Ship Go Down When Jesus is on Board" and "The Power of The Word."

Mary was very active in the church. She joined the choir, "The Christ Crusaders of America" under the leadership of Julia Jackson and Pamela Tolsen. She also was an active member of the hospital visitation team, Sunday School Teacher and a deaconess.

Because of Mary's incomparable melodious voice she was often asked to sing for special occasions. She was soft spoken and always had a word of encouragement for those who were discouraged. She loved the Lord, she loved Soul Saving Station. She continued to be inspired by the late Bishop Alvin Tate, and the presiding bishop, Bishop Robert Winley.

Mary believed in the vision calling and work of Soul Saving Station. Mary loved God and she loved her family and church family. Mary took great joy in her grands and greatgrands, nieces and nephews.

On August 26, 2010 God sent angels to escort Mary Ella home to be with her father James and mother, Florence Roy, her brothers, Walter and Benjamin and her sisters, Elizabeth, Sara and Adelle and grandson, Timothy. Along with a host of friends all feasting and celebrating her arrival.

Mary leaves behind: her children, Carol, Howard, and Veronica; grandchildren, Ralph Jr. Lonyell, Teri, Christine, Jonathan, Jennifer, Jamelia and Jazmine; great grandchildren, Jalone, Jay'ln, Keana, Jahsiah, Myasia, Olivia, and Rebecca; nieces, Barbara Thompson and Mabel Brown; brother, Charles Roy (Ora); sisters-in-law, Mamie Roy and Frances Roy; and a host of nieces, nephews, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and friends.

Favorite Color - Pink
Favorite Foods - Pot Roast, Greens, Potatoes
and gravy, baked macaroni and cheese, candied yams
Favorite Song - "His Eyes is on the Sparrow"
Favorite Sermon:
"How Can Your Ship Go Down When Jesus is on Board"
Favorite Scripture - Psalm 34

Wednesday, September 1, 2010 - 6:00 p.m.

SOUL SAVING STATION

302 West 124th Street New York, NY

Bishop Robert Winley, Officiating

<u>Order of Service</u>

Processional

Selection

Scripture

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Eulogy Bishop Robert Winley

Selection

Committal

Recessional

Final Disposition

Oxford Hills Crematory Chester, New York

To My Loved Ones

No reason for sorrow, no reason to cry. Look toward tomorrow and I'll tell you why my memories of you and yours of me are filled with love and laughter forever. You'll see no reason to worry, nor question God as to why you have lost me. No reason to say goodbye.

It's time for my journey home, a beautiful and peaceful trip that I must make alone. So just be strong and keep a smile, we'll only be apart for a little while. The love I've known is a very special part, the love I've shown came straight from the heart.

I leave you now to go on my way to a wonderful place where we'll be together someday. No reason at all as you can see. I'm with my Lord. He'll take care of me.

Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.

God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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