A Service of Remembrance Celebrating the Life of



Mrs. Jessie Wilson Davis

Sunrise June 12, 1921 Sunset September 29, 2010

Tuesday, October 5, 2010 - 6:00 p.m.

SECOND CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH

10 Rev. John P. Ladson Place • New York, NY 10026

Rev. Wesley Wilson, Pastor

<u>Obituary</u>

Jessie Wilson Davis was born June 12, 1921 in Columbia, South Carolina. She was the daughter of the late John and Mary Wilson. She departed her life peacefully at home with her family by her side on September 29, 2010 after a long illness.

Jessie was one of twelve children, six boys and six girls of which ten preceded her in death.

She came to New York at an early age where she married Carol Leland Davis in 1948 who also preceded her in death on February 29, 2008. God blessed them with a son, Gregory "Greg" Bernard, who was the apple of her eyes.

Jessie was baptized at the Abyssinian Baptist Church by the Rev. Adam Clayton Powell, after moving to 110th Street. She later joined Second Canaan Baptist Church in 1979 under the leadership of Rev. John P. Ladson. She served as a member of the Sunshine Circle Club which she enjoyed working with.

Jessie was very loving, never met a stranger. If she couldn't help you, she certainly would not bring any harm to you. One of the things that she will always be remembered for is having being blessed with a wonderful sense of humor and could always make you laugh.

She leaves to cherish her wonderful memories: a devoted son, Gregory "Greg" Bernard; a kind and wonderful daughter-in-law, Ria; one sister, Alberta Wilson of Columbia, SC; one sister-in-law, Louise Chandler of Greelyville, SC; one goddaughter, Kisha Diamond-Cobb; one godson, Laurin Chandler of Atlanta, GA; two special nieces, Gladys W. Green of Gainesville, GA and Cathy Brower of Charlotte, NC; more than forty-five nieces and nephews; and a host of other relatives and friends. She carried a special love in her heart for the McClary Family whom she considered her extended family. She has cherished her friendship with those who have always been there for her: Mamie McClary of Akron, AL, Susan Stachelberg, Martha Ivy and Lloyd Burly all of NY. A special thanks to her nephew, Jack and his wonderful wife, Mary.

A Celebration of Worship

"Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."
(John 14:27)

Prelude Min. Melody Moore
Processional
Opening Hymn Second Canaan Choir
Scripture
Invocation
Solo "I Don't Know About Tomorrow" - Sis. Leola Linen
Obituary (Read in Silence)
Expression of Love
Solo "Amazing Grace" - Sis. Leola Linen
Words of Comfort A. Sterling Hawkins
Eulogy
Recessional "I'm Free" - Second Canaan Choir
Postlude

Committal, Benediction & Interment Woodlawn Cemetery

Woodlawn Cemetery Webster Avenue & 233rd Street Bronx, New York 10470

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took His hand when I heard Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that place at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembering joy, A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Ah, yes these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free!

-author unknown

Acknowledgement

We, the family of **Jessie Wilson Davis** acknowledge with grateful appreciation of your prayers and all acts of kindness, sympathy and love that sustained us during the illness and passing of our loved one. We also graciously thank you for your cars, flowers, visits and kindness, which consoled us during our bereavement. May God bless each and every one of you.

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