



*In Loving
Memory of*

Mr. Robert Phillips

Sunrise
January 28, 1935

Sunset
March 6, 2011

Tuesday, March 15, 2011 - 6:00 p.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue
New York, New York 10027

Rev. Dr. Edward R. Culvert, Officiating

Obituary

Robert William Phillips affectionately known as “Bobby” was born in New York City on January 28, 1935 to William & Edna Phillips.

Bobby as a young man dreamed of being a singer and in 1953 while in his teen years he realized his dreams in the Doo Wop group “The Cadillacs” along with Earl Carroll (lead singer) Laverne Drake and Gus Willingham and later Gary Lewis, the group recorded hits “Gloria” and their biggest hit to date “Speedo”. Over the years Bobby remained one of the original members and continued to perform. In 2004, The Cadillacs, were inducted into the Vocal Group Hall of Fame.

On March 6, 2011, after a battle with Liver Cancer, while hospitalized at Montefiore Hospital, God called Bobby to his eternal home.

He leaves behind to cherish many fond memories: his wife, Laverne; his four children, Robert, Jr., Sean, Fayette and Monique; grandchildren; his loving sister, Marjorie; his brother, Donald; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God has laid you see
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 to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, 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 hearts and peace to thee,
God wanted me now, He set me free.*

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Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Eulogy

Selection

Committal

Viewing

Recessional



Final Disposition

*Oxford Hills Crematory
Chester, New York*

Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.



Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for your kindness during a time of sorrow.

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