

*In Loving Memory of*

*Queen Victoria Wilson*

*Sunrise*  
September 8, 1923

*Sunset*  
May 27, 2013

Service  
Friday, May 31, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.

**MOTHER A.M.E. ZION CHURCH**  
140-6 West 137th Street • New York, NY

## Obituary

**Queen Victoria Wilson** entered the world on September 8, 1923, in Moyock, North Carolina, born to the late Paul and Adelaide Walston. She was the oldest of two children.

She was joined in Holy Matrimony to Willie David Wilson on June 24, 1942, and from that union, her only daughter, Brenda Victoria Wilson was born. The marriage ended in divorce on July 15, 1952.

She migrated to, and lived in Norfolk, Virginia; however, left Norfolk, and brought Brenda to New York City, giving her piano lessons which evolved into an appreciation and passion for music. Once in New York, Queen was gainfully employed at Lincoln Hospital in the Bronx, retiring from service in November of 1985.

She joined Mother A.M.E. Zion Church during the summer of 1946, under the pastorate of the late Reverend B.C. Robeson. As a church member, she served in many capacities which included her position as Treasurer of Class 4. She loved her church, and through her generosity, demonstrated that love with a gift of \$50,000.00 in 2006; and then again with a gift of \$10,000.00 in September of 2007. She remained an active member of Mother Zion for more than sixty years, until her health began to decline, which was one year following her daughters demise.

Following her illness, her devoted church friends, Gracie Allen, Jimmie Buggs, the late Oscar Brown, Joannie Dudley, Clinton Johnson, Robert Kellum, Eula Phillips, Doris A. Rhem, Cookie Russell, the late Anita Montague, made themselves available to assist when moving Mrs. Wilson into her new surroundings at the Alma Rangel House in Harlem. During her residency at the Rangel House, she was frequently visited by her daughters' friend, Janis Williams, who played a pivotal role in her move into the Rangel House facility. These were her church friends who exemplified the true meaning of friendship.

On Monday, May 27, 2013, Queen Victoria Wilson was called to rest from the Pelham Parkway Nursing & Rehabilitation Center. She was predeceased by her brother, Samuel Walston, in 1999, her daughter, Brenda in 2005 and her aunt, Althea Ferebee, in 2010. She leaves to mourn her passing: her Mother A.M.E. Zion Church friends, a devoted Class Leader, Mrs. Eula Phillips, and longtime best friends, Barbara Cain and Margaret Snaggs.

# *Order of Service*

Procession

Hymn of Praise ..... “Amazing Grace”

Scripture

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - 1 Corinthians 13

Prayer

Musical Selection ..... “Sweet Hour of Prayer”  
Mrs. Leavata Johnson

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Reflections ..... Dr. Gregory Robeson Smith  
Senior Pastor  
Mother A.M.E. Zion Church

Resolutions ..... Mrs. Eula Phillips  
Leader, Class 4

Musical Selection ..... “When I’ve Done The Best I Can”  
Mrs. Leavata Johnson

Eulogy ..... Rev. Cecil G.M. Muschett  
Senior Associate  
Mother A.M.E. Zion Church

Committal

Benediction

Procession

## **Interment**

Trinity Cemetery  
New York, New York

# *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 peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it up 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 heart and share with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

*-author unknown*

## *Acknowledgement*

*We acknowledge with deep appreciation all acts of kindness  
extended during this bereavement hour. God bless you for all  
your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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