### To Our Mother

We know it will be tough Because we all share a loss of someone dear

We loved you very much We'll miss the special touch, the knowledge, the wisdom,

the joy you share and pass on to us Yes, the road without you will be tough

So rest in peace we will miss you very much You will forever be in our hearts.

Your Daughter Lorraine

### Lonely Is The Home Without You

Lonely is the home without you, Life to us is not the same; All the world would be like Heaven, If we could have you back again. A light from our household gone, A voice we loved is still. A place is vacant in our home That never can be filled. May the God of Love and Mercy, Care our loved one who is gone, And bless with consolation, Those left to carry on. The happy hours we once enjoyed, How sweet their memory still But death has left a vacant place, This world can never fill. How dearly we loved you, And prayed you might live, But Jesus just beckoned, And we had to give. God gave us strength to bear it, And courage to fight the blow, What it has meant to lose you,

God alone will ever know.

-Author unknown

## Acknowledgement

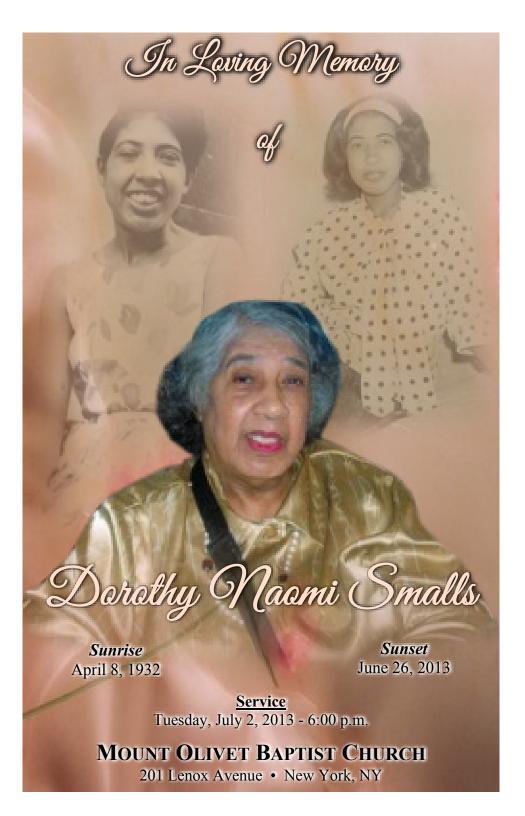
The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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# <u>Obituary</u>



**Mrs. Dorothy Naomi Diggs Smalls**, affectionately known as Aunt Dot, was born April 8, 1932. She was the daughter of the late Clarence and Lillian Diggs. Dorothy departed this life on June 26, 2013.

#### **Life Reflection**

She received her education at the A.T. Wright High School in Lancaster County, Virginia and also attended school in Washington, DC.

As a natural care giver, she was instrumental in raising most of her grand children. This influenced her to continue her education where she returned back to school and obtained her certification as a child care provider.

Being the driving force behind her children and family members, she encouraged them to pursue their dreams and goals. It's because of her personality alone, all of her nieces, nephews, their spouses, families and friends, loved to spend so much time with their Aunt Dot.

Dot was a great traveling companion. She kept you entertained with her stories while on the road. She was the best side seat driver. You did not need a GPS because Dot was the GPS, she could get you anywhere up and down I95. And if you've had the pleasure of her roadside company, then you know, you were NOT going to fall asleep with Dot by your side.

Dot was a genuine person. She was never judgmental, however, if she had something to say, you were definitely going to hear it.

Dot enjoyed life. Amongst her favorite things to do were taking trips to Atlantic City, attending family functions and she loved chewing her gum.

She was united in marriage to the late Joseph James Smalls, on December 21, 1964. Her memories will be cherished by her six daughters Linda (Diane), Carolyn, Delores, Lorraine, Nellie, La Shaun, her two sons David and Darrell.

She will also be cherished by her son-in-laws Alfonso Bennett, Charles Bigby, George Livermore, Mark Stevens, Francisco Ramos and her daughter-in-law, Sandra Lemon.

Dorothy Smalls will be survived by her sister Lillian Butler.

Her memory will also be cherished by seventeen grandchildren, ten great grandchildren a host of nieces, nephews other family and friends.

## Order of Service

#### Prelude

Processional	Clergy, Family and Friends
Opening Hymn	Voices Of Praise
	Kim WilliamsDerrick Johnson
Prayer of Comfort	Rev. Dr. Charles A. Curtis
Solo	Bro. Kazuki Kitamori
Life reflections and acknowledgements	Angela Diggs-Parker
Poem	Marie Ladson
Special Tributes	Family and Friends
Solo	La Shaun Smalls
Eulogy	Rev Dr. Charles A. Carter
Recessional	Clergy, Family and Friends
Postlude	

#### Interment

Calverton National Cemetery Calverton, New York