

**Celebration of Life**  
**For**  
*David L. Fields*

*Sunrise*  
**June 24, 1956**

*Sunset*  
**March 24, 2015**



**Service**

Friday, April 10, 2015 - 12:00 Noon

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

**Rev. David Jenkins, Officiating**

**Rev. Dr. Eric B. Turner, Organist**

## Obituary

**Mr. David Fields** was born June 24, 1956 in Norfolk, Virginia to the late Mrs. Lee Ella Fields Chatman and Mr. Earl Fields. He departed his earthly home on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 to go to his heavenly home. David, affectionately called “Dave” was a devoted family man who greatly loved his family. His sons and daughter were the center of his being as was his devotion to his partner and soulmate, Margaret Gail.

David moved to New York in 1971 and received his high school diploma from George Washington High School and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Work from City College in 1984. After completing his degree, he was employed by Harlem Hospital for a short while then moved to North Central Hospital where he worked for twenty-five years as a Social Worker.

During his tenure as a Case Worker for the Health and Hospital Corporation, where he performed a long list of duties, David described himself as caring, patient, hardworking, and a reliable person. He also saw himself as highly organized and one who paid attention to details while always respecting the rights of others. These characteristics resulted in David receiving numerous awards for his outstanding work ethics.

David had a variety of interest including poetry reading, writing, swimming, fishing, exercising, traveling, and sports. His greatest love was basketball and he was a member of the City College Varsity Basketball team and while attending college. As a true New Yorker, his favorite football team was the New York Giants and his basketball team was the New York Knicks. When not at home during the day, Dave could be found at the senior center challenging members to pool and doing the senior thing, traveling.

David leaves to cherish his memory: his loving wife, Gail; two sons, David Adams and David Fields, Jr.; and a devoted daughter, Margaret Fields; his mother-in-law, Mrs. Margaret Layne; his stepfather, Mr. Walter Chatman; his sisters, Sandra Clark (Cecil), Dr. Beverly Bonner, Diane Fields, Deborah Fields (Vincent) and LaNoda Alexander (Kevin); his brothers, Earl Fields (Bettie), Willie Fields (Mexsana), Tracy Chatman, and Walter L. Chatman; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

# Order of Service

The Prelude.....Rev. Dr. Eric B. Turner

The Processional.....Clergy, Family and Friends

Hymn of Affirmation

Scriptures

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - 2 Timothy 4:6-8

Prayer of Consolation.....Rev. David Jenkins

Solo.....Ms. Sharon Wiggins

Expressions.....Family Members and Friends  
Willie Fields, brother  
David Fields, Jr., son

Acknowledgements.....David Adams, son  
Dr. Beverly Bonner, sister

Hymn of Comfort

Words of Comfort.....Rev. David Jenkins

Recessional.....Clergy, Family and Friends

The Postlude..... Rev. Dr. Eric B. Turner

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery

Linden, New Jersey

## Flower Bearers

Nieces

## Pall Bearers

Funeral Home Staff

### *I Am Free*

*Don't grieve for me, for I am free.  
I'm following the path God has chosen for me.  
I took His Hand when I heard His 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've now found peace at the end of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joys.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh yes, these things, I too will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
Look for the sunshine of tomorrow.*

*My life has been full, I savored much.  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen your pain with undue grief.  
Lift your heart and peace to thee,  
God wanted me now. He set me Free.*

... Dave

### *Acknowledgement*

*The family of Mr. David Fields would like to extend our sincere and heartfelt appreciation for the many expressions and acts of kindness, prayers and compassion shown to us during the loss of our love one.  
May God's blessings be with you!*

The Family

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