



Sunrise: September 26, 1928

Sunset: February 28, 2016

#### Service

Monday, March 7, 2016 - 10:00 a.m.

#### UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

Rev. Dr. Calvin O. Butts, III, Officiating

James Davis, Jr., Organist

## **Obituary**

**Vincent Beresford Solomon** was born to the late Beresford and Emily Love Solomon in New York City. He also attended school in the city.

At the age of sixteen with the help of his father, he enlisted in the Navy to serve his country during World War II. He was assigned to a USS Destroyer, where he served with merit even through the Navy's practice of overt discrimination.

Upon his honorable discharge, he met and married Nellie Wilfong. Together they had one child, Douglas and he also cared for his stepson, Earl Brown.

He was employed from 1952 to 1996 at Montefiore Hospital in Bronx, New York in capacity of Operating Room, Emergency Room, and Morgue Technician.

During his later years, Shirley Herman was his life partner until his death.

He is survived by: his son, Douglas Solomon; stepson, Earl Brown; daughter-in-law, Sylvia Solomon; granddaughter, Cheryl Means; great grandsons, Terence Means, Jr. and Fredrick Means; great granddaughter-in-law, Shylah Skelding Means; and a great granddaughter, Amaris Marie Means.

Daddy, you were blessed with longevity Now rest in our Father's Kingdom.

### Order of Service

Prelude James Davis, Jr. Processional Invocation Congregational Hymn ...... "What A Friend We Have In Jesus" Scripture Reading Old Testament - Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 New Testament - 2 Timothy 4:6-8 Prayer of Comfort Acknowledgements and Resolutions The Obituary Solo ....." "I Know Who Holds Tomorrow" Benediction Recessional

Interment

Calverton National Cemetery Calverton, New York

#### Heaven's Grocery Store

I was walking down life's highway a long time ago....
One day I saw a sign that read' "Heaven's Grocery Store."
As I got a little closer the door came open wide.
And when I came to myself I was standing inside.

I saw hosts of angels, they were standing everywhere.

One handed me a basket and said, "My child shop with care -Everything a Christian needed was in that grocery store.

And all you could not carry,
you could come back the next day for more."

First, I got some Patience; Love was in the same row Further down was Understanding. You need that everywhere you go.

> I got a box or two of Wisdom, A bag or two of Faith.

I just could not miss the Holy Ghost, for it was ALL over the place.
I stopped to get some Strength and Courage to help me run this race.
But then my basket was getting full,
But I remembered I needed some Grace.

I did not forget Salvation, for salvation that was free, So I tried to get enough of that to save both you and me. Then I started up to the counter to pay my grocery bill. For I thought I had everything to do my Master's Will.

As I went up the aisle, I saw Prayer and I just had to put that in For I knew if I stepped outside, I would run right into sin. Peace and Joy were plentiful; they were on the last shelf. Song and Praises were hanging near, so I just helped myself.

Then, I said to the angel, "Now, how much do I owe?"
He just smiled and said, "Just take them everywhere you go."
Again, I smiled at him and said, "How much do I really owe?"
He smiled again and said, "My child, Jesus paid your bill, a long time ago."

# Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.

May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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