IN LOVING MEMORY OF Antoinette Davis

Sunrise: April 21, 1948 - Sunset: November 6, 2016



<u>Saturday, November 12, 2016 - 10:00 a.m.</u>

THE NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

144 Norman Street • East Orange, New Jersey
Pastor Lula Baker, Officiating
Pastor John Baker, Executive Pastor

<u>Obítuary</u>

Antoinette Davis, sixty-eight years old, of West Orange, NJ, was born in Newark, New Jersey on April 21, 1948, to Ernest Sr. and Essie Dill. She was the eldest of eight children, Barbara, Ernest Jr., Bernadel, Azizuddin, Keith, Drake and Dwight.

Antoinette attended Central High School. Soon thereafter, she went to work for Westinghouse. In the late 1960's, Antoinette met Kwame Davis and they married. Once they were married, Kwame, a sailor in the U.S. Navy, was stationed in Puerto Rico and the family relocated to the naval base in Sabana Seca. They lived there for five years before returning stateside to the U.S. Submarine Base at New London, CT.

As a proud Navy wife, Antoinette raised their children and worked in the Navy Exchange Retail network, where she rose to the rank of supervisor. Upon Kwame's retirement from the U.S. Navy, Antoinette returned with her family to New Jersey where they would settle in South Orange.

Antoinette attended Essex County College and went to work for B.P. Slavitt & Associates at Oakwood Towers and later Villa Victoria, where she was a property manager for more than twenty years before retiring in 2011.

Antoinette enjoyed traveling, especially cruising, and loved to do so with her husband, family and friends. Antoinette also took pleasure in cooking. She was an outstanding cook and was particularly well-known for her cheesecake. A marvel in the kitchen, she showed her affection for those in her life by nurturing them with food made with care and love.

Antoinette was a model of generosity. If she learned someone was in need, her first instinct was to offer help; she would not hesitate to sacrifice things for herself, in order to help someone in need. Her generosity was surely related to her relationship with God. Antoinette was a woman of faith and believed that no matter how bleak life seemed, turning to God was always the right course of action. She looked forward to attending Cross & Crown Christian Church, where she was appointed leader of the Rib Prime marriage ministry along with her husband. She also attended bible study regularly.

Antoinette was especially devoted to supporting the dreams and well-being of her husband, children, and grandchildren. Her favorite time of the year was Christmas as in her eyes it was a joyful time when friends and family gathered to reconnect and share their love for one another.

Antoinette was preceded in death by her parents, Ernest Dill, Sr. and Essie Dill; her children, Tyrone Davis, Caprice Davis, and Kevin Davis; and her siblings, Keith Dill, Bernadel Dill, Ernest Dill, Jr., Azizuddin Muhammad, and Dwight Dill.

Antoinette is survived by: her husband, Kwame Davis; her children, LaVon Davis-Harris (Jerome) and Aziza Alexander (Daniel); her aunts, Gladys Dill and Lumelia Sellers; her siblings, Barbara Scott (Ronald) and Drake Dill; her grandchildren, Kia, Nafis, Rashanda, Daa'iyah, Imani, Jelani, Rashad, Zahra and Zachary, her daughters-in-law, Edna Davis and Monique Davis; her sister-in-law, Franscenia Dill, and a host of beloved nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Order of Service

Hymn of Comfort

Scriptures

Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Remarks

Acknowledgement, Condolences, Resolution

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

Interment

Fairmount Cemetery 620 Central Avenue Newark, NJ 07107



Please join the family for a repast at: The New Hope Baptist Church, in East Orange

She Is Gone

Author: David Harkins

You can shed tears that she is gone
Or you can smile because she has lived
You can close your eyes and pray that she will come back or
you can open your eyes and see all that she has left your
heart can be empty because you can't see her or you can be
full of the love that you shared you can turn your back on
tomorrow and live yesterday or you can be happy for
tomorrow because of yesterday you can remember her and
only that she is gone or you can cherish her memory and let
it live on you can cry and close your mind, be empty and
turn your back or you can do what she would want: smile,
open your eyes, love and go on.

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for all the acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy that was shown to them during this time of bereavement.

Professional Services by:

Whigham Funeral Home

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