

Celebrating the Life of



Doris Davis Gray

SUNRISE: May 23, 1943 - SUNSET: March 16, 2026

Friday, April 24, 2026 | 9:00 am

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2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027
Rev. Lee Arrington, Officiating

Obituary

On May 23, 1943 in Atlanta, Georgia—Grady Hospital a Black Queen named **Doris (Davis) Gray** was born, daughter of Elijah Davis Sr. and Brittie Shepherd Cochran Davis.

Doris attended school in Atlanta, Georgia. She graduated from Booker T. Washington High School June 2, 1961.

A passion for helping others, Doris moved to New York City and obtained her nursing degree. She worked at the well known Harlem Hospital until her retirement. She touched many lives with her attentiveness to care and healing,

Doris met William (Sonny), her forever love. Their relationship was unbreakable. Though they married in Las Vegas in 1999, we all knew their love started many years before. Doris did not have children of her own, she was blessed with an abundance of nieces and nephews. A loving aunt that was dedicated to family, supportive, and known to be the “fun ” Aunt.

Doris enjoyed life to the fullest. Faithful to God—she would read scriptures daily. Flowers always made her happy. She loved soul food, classic movies, Lionel Richie, Four Tops, Temptations, and a Different World television show. Her presence and unselfishness left a lasting impression on everyone she met. So loved by many.

Doris was preceded in death by her husband Sonny, Sisters: Virginia Davis, Frances Davis, and Bessie Davis. Brothers: Elijah Davis, Henry Davis, Alfred Davis, and Buck Davis.

Doris died unexpectedly on Monday, March 16, 2026 even though she had been living with health conditions.

She is survived by Brothers: Frank Davis (Tot) of Atlanta, Hiram Davis of Philadelphia, Winston Davis of Philadelphia, and Greg Davis of Atlanta; Sisters: Mami Lowe of Atlanta and Harriet Davis of St Petersburg. A host of nieces, nephews, caregivers, and friends who will forever hold Doris in their hearts.

Order of Service

Processional

Musical Selection..... "Eye on the Sparrow" by Eric B. Turner

Invocation Reverend Lee Arrington

Scripture Psalm 23, John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort Reverend Lee Arrington

Reflection Family and Friends

Obituary Frances Davis

Musical Selection "I Won't Complain" by Eric B. Turner

Eulogy Reverend Lee Arrington

Final Viewing

Committal

Recessional

Interment

Mount Hope Cemetery
50 Jackson Ave, Hastings-On-Hudson, NY 10706



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 his call,
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of the day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah 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 savoured 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.

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.

HONORARY MENTION

*The family would like to extend their appreciation and gratitude to Oumou Nimaga, Fatimata Nimaga, Ms. Valentine, and Oumou Djakaby for their incomparable care and support for our **Aunt Doris (Davis) Gray.***

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