

A portrait of Willie Beatrice Lyles Williams, a woman with short, dark, curly hair, wearing glasses and a dark floral-patterned top. She is smiling and resting her chin on her hand. The background is a scenic landscape with rolling hills and trees under a sunset sky with rays of light.

*Homegoing Service
Celebrating the Life of*

Willie Beatrice Lyles Williams

Sunrise
February 12, 1931

Sunset
May 21, 2014

Service

Thursday, March 29, 2014 - 12:00 Noon

Whigham Funeral Home

580 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. • Newark, New Jersey

*Pastor John Baker, Officiating
Cross and Crown Christian Church*

Obituary

Willie Beatrice Lyles Williams was born on February 12, 1931 in Union, South Carolina to the late Taylor Lyles and Eva (Kelly) Lyles. She was the youngest of five siblings.

Willie Beatrice Lyles Williams was married to the late Willie James Williams during the latter part of her life. There were no children born to this union.

“Bea” or “Willie B” as she was affectionately called by her friends and family accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior at an early age. She was baptized at Bethesda Baptist Church in Santuc, SC.

She moved to Newark, NJ in 1951 and joined New Hope Baptist Church. She remained a faithful member until the Lord called her home on May 21, 2014. Although unable to attend services due to illness, she made sure her offerings were sent in monthly.

“Bea” joined the Adult Choir and traveled throughout various states singing God’s praises for many years. “Bea” was always one of the top fundraisers for the choir. She also served the Ministry of the Needy until 2002 when she could no longer serve due to declining health.

She worked as a machine operator in Newark and Irvington for many years. She obtained her GED from Central High Evening School while working full time and raising her children. “Bea” also served as Floor Captain, Sergeant at Arms and as a member of the Hospitality Committee at Grace West Manor.

“Bea” leaves to cherish her memory: a daughter, Lunette Lyles; a son, Michael Lyles; a sister, Mary Ruth Hutson; grandchildren, Dwayne Lyles, Jaami Rivers (Elon Rivers), Malik Rivers (Jenny Rivers), Kelly Lyles, Chevonne Lyles, Jamal Lyles, Michael Lyles Jr., Frank Lyles, Felicia Lyles and Clayton Lyles; fourteen great grandchildren; in-laws, Mary Carson, Annie Pearl Flowers, Josephine McMillan, Vera Holman, Eddie Williams and Charles Boyd; and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and dear friends.

“Bea” was predeceased by her daughter, Lizzie Lyles Bivins, two sisters, Helen Sheffield and Elvira Bagsby; two brothers, Spencer Lyles and Frank B. Lyles.

Order of Service

Processional

Scripture - John 14:2 Dr. Francis Young

Prayer Rev. Cynthia Betts

Solo “Calvary”

Obituary
& Acknowledgements Dr. Francis Young

Remarks

Eulogy Rev. John Baker

Viewing

Recessional “Take Me To The King”
Tamela Mann

Interment
Rosedale Cemetery
408 Orange Road
Montclair, New Jersey

Following the interment friends and family are invited for a repast at 73 Gates Avenue, Montclair, NJ 07042.

Miss Me But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the
road and the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,

Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little-but not too long,
and not with your head bowed low.

Remember the love
that we once shared,

Miss me-but let me go.

For this is a journey
that we all must take,

And each must go alone.

It's all part of the Master's plan,

A step on the road to home.

When you are

lonely and sick at heart,

Go to the friends we know.

Laugh at the things we use to do

Miss me-but let me go.

-author unknown

Acknowledgement

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

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