

Victory Celebration for



Elder Phyllis Elaine Perry

Sunrise
February 11, 1937

Sunset
February 27, 2021

Tuesday, March 9, 2021 - 11:45am

Soul Saving Station

302 West 124th St., New York, NY 10027

Bishop Robert I. Winley, Officiant

Obituary

Elder Phyllis Elaine Perry entered this life on February 11, 1937 to the late Bishop Alvin Lawrence and Mother Euodias Tate. Phyllis was born in New York Hospital, Manhattan, New York and was raised in The Bronx and Harlem. She was the eldest of four siblings: David, Nathaniel, and Priscilla. Phyllis was ministered to by her grandfather and grandmother Reverend Milton N. and Anna Sparks. She accepted Christ at an early age and had a desire to share her talents and abilities in service to her Lord and Savior by serving God's people. Her church-home during her formative years was the Baptist House of Prayer, and then Soul Saving Station under the leadership of the late Reverend Billy Roberts. Phyllis was a Soul Saving Station Christ Crusader: singing in the choir, teaching Sunday school, attended street meetings and she was a prayer warrior.

Phyllis received her early education through the New York City Public School system; she graduated from Evander Childs High School in the Bronx. She graduated from Zion Bible School where she pursued the goal of becoming a "Home Missionary". Phyllis' compassion drew her to missionary work in shelters, soup kitchens, health clinics, schools and other organizations or places that fulfill the needs of a community.

She married Reverend George Mitchenson Perry, who also grew up at the Soul Saving Station and attended Zion Bible School. Phyllis went on to work in the New York Public Library. Their union of thirty-five years produced three children: Mark, Brian, and Jocelyn. Phyllis was a devoted Christian, and she taught her children about the Love of Jesus all through their young lives. Elder Phyllis Elaine Perry loved to put her hands to work in the House of the Lord; she supported her husband Reverend George Mitchenson Perry as the two ministered together at Bethany Church, Full Gospel Church and Church of the New Vision—in the Bronx. Phyllis also supported and encouraged the ministry of her parents, Bishop Alvin Lawrence Tate and Mother Euodias Tate at the Soul Saving Station in Saratoga Springs.

While married with three children, Phyllis pursued her education and acquired a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology and Education from Hunter College, City University of New York. She later earned a Bachelor's Degree and a Master's Degree in Education also from Hunter College, City University of New York. She then went on to teach for the New York City Board of Education for over 25 years. Phyllis not only educated but God used her to heal and transform the lives of children and youth of the Bronx. She retired from the New York City Board of Education in 2002. She also shared her faith in the Soundview Community of the Bronx where she was a resident for over 25 years. Phyllis was one of the longest standing members of Soul Saving Station where she served in many capacities: Board of Trustee member, Principal of the Christ Crusader Academy, Women's Department Executive Board member, and Sunday School Teacher. She recently completed her final assignment which was a Children Church lesson entitled "The Art of Forgiveness". In her latter days, she enjoyed the simplicity of her daily life of faith, cooking, counseling, drinking tea, teaching by the grace and peace of Christ. As much as we will miss her, we will always treasure her loving smile, kind words, and have memories of fun and laughter. Elder Phyllis Elaine Perry was a courageous Christian and demonstrated a quiet strength gained by her faith in GOD; she fought the good fight.


She leaves to mourn: her children, Mark Lyle Perry, Brian Dean Perry and Jocelyn Selene Perry; spiritual-son, Pastor Lawrence Pender; grandchild, Zariyah Perry; sister, Priscilla Oliver (Sonny); brother, Nathaniel Tate (Anna); cousins, Deborah Gillian and Esther James, Henry Manley (Rosa), Yavette Hill, Hope Morgan, Liza Tate and Andrea Smith; many nieces and nephews; the Soul Saving Station Church community; and a host of family and friends.

Order of Service

Processional.....	Clergy & Family
Mistress of Ceremonies.....	Elder Dawn Heyward
Invocation.....	Bishop Robert I. Winley
Selection.....	Missionary Mary Green
Old Testament Scripture: Psalm 23.....	Min. Barry Winley
New Testament Scripture: John 14:1-7.....	Min. Anthony Heyward
Prayer of Comfort	
Remarks.....	Rev. Nathaniel Tate, Brother Priscilla Oliver, Sister Jocelyn Perry, Daughter Pastor Lawrence Pender, Spiritual Son Henry Manley (Zoom)
Reflections from Church Family.....	Elder Jayroe Thomas
Cards and Condolences.....	Elder Sharon Pickett
Obituary.....	Read in silence
Selection: “I Bow My Knee and Cry Holy”.....	Priscilla Oliver
Eulogy.....	Bishop Robert I. Winley
Committal and Benediction	

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery
792 E. Edgar Road, Linden, New Jersey 07036



*"We are confident, I say, and willing
rather to be absent from the body, and
to be present with the Lord."
- 2 Corinthians 5:8*

*"Precious in the sight of the Lord is
the death of His saints!"
- Psalm 116:5*

Acknowledgement

The Family of Elder Phyllis Elaine Perry

*Would like to thank her church family at the Soul Saving
Station and each one of you who have shown your care and
concern for our family during this time of bereavement. Words
are inadequate to say how much we appreciate your prayers,
calls, texts, cards and words of encouragement and support.*

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