

# In Loving Memory of Janet Davis

*Sunrise*  
*March 20, 1955*

*Sunset*  
*August 21, 2021*



*Service*

*Saturday, August 28, 2021 • 9:00 a.m.*

**Transcend Worship Center**

971 Clinton Avenue • Irvington, New Jersey 07111

*Pastor Jerry Smith, Officiating*

## *Janet Davis' Life Journey*

On March 20th, 1955, Paul McMillan and Novella Godbolt was blessed with the birth of a beautiful daughter, **Janet Davis**. Given the name Janet means to be a gift from God, and she was just that to many in the same way as her genuine caring & loving spirit brought joy to everyone she touched. On August 21, 2021, our heavenly father in his infinite wisdom allowed her to peacefully transition from this earthly house to his eternal home where peace, joy and happiness will be forever.

Janet grew up in the Prince Street Project of Newark, NJ where she was well known for doing hair, her famous bubble curls to be exact. She enjoyed singing & dancing and she also had a passion for cooking & baking. Janet attended Central High School in Newark, NJ where she graduated and later became a nursing assistant. In her early childhood she was baptized and sang in the choir of her family's church, better known as New Light Holiness Church which was located in Newark, NJ as well. She later became a member to Christian Pentecostal which is now known as Transcend Worship Center. She also had a love for penguins, she would collect little figurines and have them placed all over her home.

Janet married Gerald (Jerry) Davis on July 4th, 1981 in Newark NJ, with their twins, Jermaine and Sharmaine in attendance. A few years after they gave birth to their youngest son Byron. Although she only had 3 biological children she was the mother to many, leaving her motherly love to carry on long past her days of life.

Janet's career was the perfect fit for her caring and courageous soul. Over the years while living in Newark and Hillside, NJ, she worked as a nurse's assistant at the VA Hospital, East Orange General Hospital, and retired at Beth Israel Medical Center, all of which are in New Jersey. While working at Beth Israel, she received the Assistant Nurse of the Year award which exemplified the pride that she took as a nurse over the years. Shortly after retirement she lived in Upper Marlboro for a few years subsequently settling in Bloomfield, NJ.

Janet enjoyed gardening, crocheting, spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She will forever be remembered as "GaGa" by Makayla Davis, Anthony Diaz, Christian Diaz, Kaden Davis, and her bonus grandchildren Eric Cooper Jr. and Najjah McCall.

Janet leaves to cherish the memories of her life to her children Jermaine Davis of Irvington, NJ Sharmaine & Steve Diaz, and Byron Davis & Chantel Corrigan of Bloomfield, NJ. As well as her bonus daughter Omika Williams of Edison, NJ. Her siblings Jimmy McMillan, Elaine Davis, Sharon McMillan, Alonzo McMillan, Alfreda Thorbourne, and Jerry McMillan. Her niece Tynyika Meade of Upper Marlboro, MD and nephew Twondell Baylor of Fredericksburg, VA both of whom she took on a motherly role to. To include a host of nieces and nephews, as well as her best friends of many years Jennifer McCoy, Garnett McKnight, and Idressa Calland.

Along with her parents Paul and Novella McMillan, Janet is proceeded in death by her late husband Gerald (Jerry) Davis, and siblings John Lee McMillan, Linda Faye McMillan, and Katherine Johnson.

## *Order of Service*

Processional and Viewing..... Friends And Extended Family

Processional and Viewing..... Immediate Family

Piano Selection..... Alonzo Mcmillan

Opening Prayer ..... Pastor Jerry Smith

Reading Of Obituary..... Elaine Davis

Poem Reading ..... Waydiah McMillan

Expressions (Limit Two Minutes) ..... Jermaine Davis

Sharmaine Diaz

Byron Davis

Twondell Baylor

Tynyika Meade

Omika Williams

Eulogy And Closing Prayer ..... Pastor Jerry Smith

Recessional

***Interment***  
*Fairmont Cemetery*  
*620 Central Ave*  
*Newark, New Jersey 07107*

# I Am Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free;  
I took His hand when I heard Him call;  
I turned my back and left it all.*

*If my parting has left a void;  
then fill it with remembered joy.  
My life's been full, I savored much;  
good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.*

*A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss;  
ah yes, these things, I too, will miss.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief;  
don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift your hearts and share with me;  
God wanted me now, He set me free.*





# My Reward

*Do not morn for me today  
My life was rich and long  
My work is finally done  
Now I am where I belong.*

*Remember my strength and courage  
Worry not, for I am not alone  
My soul always belongs to him  
And now God has called me home.*

*Celebrate my life, my lessons taught  
Cherish the memories as you move forward  
My body and my soul are at peace now  
I dwell in heaven- this is my reward.*



*Pallbearers*

*Alex Holey • Hassan McMillan • Faheem Davis  
Jamar Thorbourne • Gerrell McMillan • Maurice Baylor*

*Honorary Pallbearers*

*Kuwan McMillan • Timothy McMillan*

*Acknowledgements*

*The family of Janet Davis wishes to convey their deepest sincere gratefulness and admiration to all manifestations of kindness, love, and thoughtful prayers of sympathy shown during the bereavement of our loved one. May God bless you.*

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