

Celebrating the life of
Annie Mae Davis

Sunrise: March 16, 1950 - Sunset: November 21, 2023

**Homegoing
Celebration**

December 8, 2023

Family Hour: 10:30 A.M.

Service: 11:00 A.M.



New Hope Missionary Baptist Church

23455 W. Nine Mile Road

Southfield, MI 48033

Dr. Aaron L. Chapman, Pastor:

Officiating

The Life of Annie Mae Davis

Annie Mae Davis, a radiant beacon of love, grace, and warmth, entered this world on March 16, 1950, in Gates, TN, as a precious gift to Raymond and Julie Mai Halliburton. The youngest of five children, Annie's journey was a testament to love, selflessness, and an unbreakable connection with her family. She embraced life with a heart overflowing with kindness, embodying the virtues of a God-fearing, humble, and joyful spirit.

From her early years, Annie's love for literature and the written word illuminated her path. Excelling in subjects like English during her grade school days, she carried this passion throughout her life. In 1968, Annie proudly graduated from Dowagiac Union High School in Dowagiac, MI, laying the foundation for a lifetime of accomplishments. Her academic journey continued at Western Michigan University, where she graduated as part of the class of 1971, a testament to her hardworking and dedicated nature.

For over thirty years, Annie dedicated her talents to Chrysler Automotive (Stellantis), leaving an indelible mark on her professional journey. Yet, her true passion lay in the embrace of family, the warmth of friendship, and her unwavering commitment to serving the Lord.

On August 7, 1982, Annie found her husband in Donald Davis, and together, they embarked on a journey of love and companionship. The culmination of their union came in August 1991 with the birth of their beautiful baby girl, Julia Ra'Chelle Davis. Mother and daughter became inseparable, sharing precious moments watching Hallmark movies, baking Christmas cookies, reading, playing Candy Crush, and building memories that will forever resonate with love and laughter.

Motherhood was the unequivocal highlight of Annie's life, and her devotion to her daughter was unparalleled. Annie felt that motherhood came with many gifts and often shared that caring for a child from infancy to adulthood was the greatest privilege. Witnessing her child grow into her best friend has been one of the many wonderful gifts of motherhood for Annie. The unconditional love they shared has created an unbreakable bond. Their ability to confide in each other is something she deeply cherished.

Annie also valued her deep friendship with her niece Dee and her spouse Ronnie. Since the day Dee was born, she loved her deeply and considered her a bonus daughter. She highly appreciated Ronnie's support and love, akin to that of a father to her daughter. Dee and Ronnie's enduring bond is a testament to their love and devotion to each other and to their family. Faith and family are the things Annie valued most.

Her faith journey led her to New Hope M.B.C. in 2001, where she served with unwavering dedication in multiple youth ministries. The heart and soul of the Girls Growing Godly mentorship program, Annie left an indelible mark on the lives she touched until her passing. Her tireless service extended to roles such as Youth Retreat coordinator, Culinary Ministry, and valued member of the administration staff. Annie's love for organization, planning, and bookkeeping found its perfect outlet in the Black College Tour, a cause she championed with passion. As the orchestrator of this meaningful endeavor, she touched the lives of countless young minds, leaving an enduring legacy of inspiration.

Annie Davis departed this earthly realm, leaving a void that can only be filled with the cherished memories of her love, kindness, and radiant spirit. She now rests in eternal peace, joining her mother, father, brother Jesse, and husband Donald Davis in the arms of the Lord.

Annie leaves behind her beloved daughter, Julia Davis, niece Dorothy (Dee) Williams, (Ronnie) of Pontiac, MI, Alicia (Lisa) Halliburton, and nephew Roshawn Halliburton of Hermitage, TN, great nieces Temeka & Lenise Halliburton, and great nephew Jerome Atkins of Benton Harbor, MI, Shelena Davis of Nashville, TN, and a host of great-great nieces and nephews, and cherished cousins whom she loved dearly.

In her memory, Annie Davis left us with the timeless wisdom of Ecclesiastes 3, a scripture that speaks to the seasons of life, reminding us that even in our sorrow, there is a time for every purpose under heaven. May her soul find eternal rest, and may her memory continue to inspire us to live with the same love, thoughtfulness, and grace that defined her remarkable life.