

I'd like the memory of me  
To be a happy one,  
I'd like to leave  
an afterglow of  
*smiles*  
when life is done.  
I'd like to leave an echo  
Whispering softly down the ways,  
Of happy times and laughing times  
And bright & sunny days.  
I'd like the tears of those who grieve,  
To dry before the sun  
Of *happy memories*  
that I leave behind  
When life is done.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to them during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

*The Williams and Davids Family*

In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to support Alzheimer's research.

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HOMEGOING SERVICE



*Ruby Williams*

November 6, 1947 - July 28, 2023

SERVICE

Friday, August 11, 2023  
Service 11:00am

St. Joseph Baptist Church  
5412 Vine Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19139



## ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional

Opening Selection

Scripture Reading

Old Testament – Psalm 23:1-6

New Testament – John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Poem "Mother in Heaven"

Cards, Resolutions and Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Clergy and Family

"Amazing Grace" (Pentatonix)

Rev. Angela Vann

Pastor W. Gregory Fleming

"I Love the Lord" (W. Houston)

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"His Eye is on the Sparrow"  
(L. Hill and T. Blount)

Pastor W. Gregory Fleming

### *The Broken Chain*

We did not know that night that God would call your name,

In life we loved you dearly; in death we will do the same

It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone.

For part of us went with you, the day God called you home

You left us peaceful memories, your love will forever be our guide,

And though we cannot see you, we know you'll always be at our side

Our family chain is now broken, and nothing will be the same,

But as God calls us one by one, the chain will link once again.



PRECIOUS MEMORIES...

God took the fragrance of a flower,  
The majesty of a tree,  
The gentleness of morning dew,  
The calm of a quiet sea,  
The beauty of the twilight hours,  
The soul of a starry night...  
The laughter of a rippling brook,  
The grace of a bird in flight,  
The tender care of an angel,  
The faith of a mustard seed,  
The patience of eternity,  
The depth of a family's need...  
Then God fashioned from these things  
A creation like no other,  
And when his masterpiece was through



*He simply called it - Mother.*



*Mother In Heaven*

If roses grow in Heaven, Lord,  
Please pick a bunch for us.  
Place them in our Mother's arms  
And tell her they're from us.  
Tell her that we love and miss her,  
And when she turns to smile,  
Place a kiss upon her cheek,  
And hold her for a while.  
Because remembering her is easy,  
And we'll do it every day,  
But there's an ache within our hearts  
That will never go away.  
And Lord because she is now with you  
WE KNOW that she's okay



## SPECIAL MEMORIES...



Ruby Williams was the daughter of Eugene and Hattie Mae Williams. She was born on November 6, 1947, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Ruby was the only child born to this union. Unfortunately, her mother passed away when she was only four years of age. It was then that her father became a single parent and raised Ruby until she turned 13 years old. At that time her father met, fell in love and married Alberta C. Brown, who was already the mother of four children (Margaret, Morris, LaFern and Edward) from a prior union.

Ruby is preceded in death by: Eugene Williams (Father), Alberta C. Williams (Stepmother), LeFern G. Butts (Stepsister) and Morris O Brown (Stepbrother).

Ruby was educated throughout the public school system of Philadelphia. Ultimately, she studied and earned her GED diploma.

Ruby enjoyed cooking, had a great sense of humor, and was very independent. Furthermore, she loved attending gatherings such as parties and cook-outs. And let's not forget Atlantic City with their famous buffets and nickel slot machines. But her pride and joy was spending time with her family and friends. She shared her appreciation of Motown music with others. Music brought Ruby a great deal of joy as well. She was affectionately known as Miss Ruby and Mother Ruby.

Ruby was employed by Bayada Nurses as a Home Health Aide for many years. She loved caring for others, did her job very well and patients loved her. However, she was forced to retire from Bayada Nurses earlier than desired, because of an injury she sustained while caring for a patient. In order to prevent her patient from being injured she placed herself in harm's way. This was the kind of character she embodied.

Ruby departed this life on the evening of July 28, 2023, surrounded by her loving daughter Stacey Marie and her son-in-law Sheldon, after a long battle with illness.

Ruby leaves to cherish her memory, her two children Stacey Marie Davids and Shawn Eugene Williams, along with her loving son-in-law Sheldon Davids and his Mother Marie Francis. Her four grandchildren Marshawn Lee Williams, Kayla Harden, Kayra Harden (Predeceased) and Tiffany Young - all of Philadelphia. Two siblings, Margaret L. Rogers and Edward Brown. And lastly a host of nieces and nephews: Nadine Holmes (Maurice), Rev. Angela Brown-Vann (David), Lenise Brown, Clarence M. Brown; one great-niece Ka'Lisa; three great-nephews, Justin, Preston and Nasir and a host of cousins and friends.

Her Home Health Aides, primarily Vetrina McFarlin and Daphne Blake, did a remarkable job with Mother Ruby's care and they will be blessed for their dedication; along with the staff at Penn Medicine's Palliative Care as well as Penn Medicines At-Home Hospice Care program. Lastly Sheldon Davids her son-in-law performed the Yeomen's job of caring for his mother-in-law. GOD bless him.