



## Willis LaVerne Edwards

March 8, 1934 - December 20, 2009

Willis LaVerne Edwards was born in Richmond, Virginia March 8, 1934 to the late Dorothy Crowell. Miss Willis as she was affectionately called was educated in the Richmond Public Schools. She attended Virginia Union University majoring in childhood education. She worked tirelessly in the school system for 35 years until retirement in 1999. Miss Willis accepted Christ at an early age and joined the 31st Street Baptist Church where she was a devoted member for many years. Later led by the Spirit she joined Faith Community Baptist Church where she was a devoted member and one of the proud Elders of the church. She had a passion to praise the Lord especially in song. She was devoted to singing in the church choir throughout her Christian walk. Miss Willis had a devotion and love for all children. You would often hear them calling her Ma Willis. Her devotion led her to volunteer in the children's ministry, vacation bible school, the Little People's Choir and when needed would assist children to Eagle Eyrie. She also served in the soup kitchen and after her retirement served as temporary receptionist for her church and would take time to visit with the elderly, sick and shut in. Willis also had a passion for drama and became known for her memorable rendition of "In Da Morning" by Paul Laurence Dunbar. She is survived by her children, Tyrus (Chavis), Thomas (Principina), Ricardo and Hazel; her sister, Michelle Henderson; and aunt, Lillie Davis. Preceding her in death was her son Manchee. She was the proud grandmother of sixteen, Jermaine, Kisha, Sharndelle, Deshelle, Tonya, Tanya, Jaron, Jarel, Malcolm, Danielle, Manchee Jr., Samantha, Michael, Tasha,

Monica, and devoted granddaughter Nikki and ten great grandchildren.

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“ Please accept my deepest sympathy. I too know the pain of losing someone dear. May you find comfort in knowing what Jesus himself said, 'all those in the graves will hear my voice and come out ( John 5:28-30)'.  
A. Jackson

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“ Family, please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. Losing a loved one leaves a big gap in our hearts, and it's truly like an unbelievable event; knowing that we cannot see their beautiful faces any longer. The bible says that God is love. Surely, a God of love does not take any pleasure in seeing us going through such sorrow. That is why he promises at 1st Cor 15:26: "As the last enemy, death will be brought to nothing. He never desired death for any of us, and at Daniel 12:2 he promises that all those who are asleep in the dust will wake up. This is not a mere dream, because everything Jehovah has promised in the past has always come true, and all of his future promises will come true as well. Isaiah 55:11. May you find much meaning and strength as you meditate on Jehovah's promises.  
R Johnson

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“ I would like to express my deepest sympathy for the loss of your loved one. We all look forward to when Jehovah God will wipe out every tear from our eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore (Revelation 21:4). May you find solace in the God of all comfort (2 Cor. 1:3,4) and he will sustain you during this difficult time (Psalms 55:22).##imported-begin##S. Brown##imported-end##

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