



## Deonna Lynn Davis

November 8, 1955 - July 23, 2023

### Journey of Life

#### Deonna Lynn Davis

Deonna Lynn Mallory Davis was born on November 8, 1955 to the late Jefferson and Argentina Mallory in Paterson, New Jersey. She was the youngest of three children. She was educated in the Paterson Public School district and graduated from Eastside High School in 1973. She studied Early Childhood Education and Social Work at Passaic County Community College, Bloomfield College, Montclair State University, The College of New Jersey and Jersey City University.

Deonna, or Dee as she was affectionately called by her family and friends, had strong Christian values, which were instilled in her by her mother, early on as a priority in her daily walk of life. These values a powerful force impressed upon her and her siblings. At the age of 13 while worshipping at the Neighborhood Baptist Church she accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior. In 1995 she became a disciple of the St. Luke Baptist Church. These principles gave her roots and a foundation that would anchor her as an adult.

Deonna met and married Albert Davis. Their union was blessed with two children, Jhia Yvette and Jalen Gerard. In 1993, she was called to touch the life of a small child, Brandon Michael, her love compelled her to adopt him and thus her family was enlarged. She had a close loving relationship with William, Tiffany, Deshantela, Deana and Dean Rogers and also considered them her

children.

Deonna retired after thirty or more years of service in education. Her love and compassion for children was unparalleled. Her smile and wisdom were always on display. In addition to her love for children she loved the church. She served as a member on several ministries.

On Sunday, July 23, 2023, Deonna peacefully transitioned from labor to reward at the St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center located in Paterson, NJ.

Her love, memory, inspiration and prayers will be engraved in the hearts of her life partner Dino Pone, her three children, Jhia Yvette Davis-Burns, Jalen Gerard Davis, Sr. and Brandon Michael Davis.

She leaves to cherish her legacy four grandchildren, Ja'Nye Davis, Jalen Davis, Jr., Avionna Davis, and Jye Brown. One son-in-law Rashad Burns and one daughter-in-law Markeitta Davis. A devoted sister, Rhonda Yvette Hale and brother James Edward Mallory and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, her St. Luke family, and her big fur baby Mace.

# Cemetery Details

## Fairlawn Memorial Cemetery

22-21 Maple Ave  
Fairlawn, NJ 07410

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 31. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Luke Baptist Church  
139 Carroll St  
Paterson, NJ 07501

## Funeral Service

JUL 31. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Luke Baptist Church  
139 Carroll St  
Paterson, NJ 07501

## Burial

JUL 31. 1:30 PM (ET)

Fairlawn Memorial Cemetery  
22-21 Maple Ave  
Fairlawn, NJ 07410



# Tribute Wall

KM

“ Rest in sweet peace in the hands of the lord Deonna! You will be missed by your dialysis family. After all you've been through the last few months, you deserve to be at peace.

*Kathleen Marshall*

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**Kathleen Marshall** - July 31, 2023 at 05:09 AM

WL

“ William L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Deonna Lynn Davis.

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**William L.** - July 30, 2023 at 03:15 PM

KW

“ Ms. Deonna Davis rest well in the arms of our Heavenly Father. I treasure many memories of us working together at CADCC and the Academy as well as us staying in touch these many years later. But our fondest memory (and jokes) has always been about when Kia was in your preschool class and she loved to quote what "Mrs. Davis said" when she came home. You took pride in knowing she admired you soo much.

*We love you and your Family. We're praying for peace and comfort*



*Karen Ellerbee Williams & Family*

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**Karen Ellerbee Williams** - July 29, 2023 at 08:19 PM

AR

*Ms. Deonna Davis will truly be missed as my colleague as my friend we enjoyed so many memorable moments. Ms Deonna was my daughter God Mother too. Ms. Deonna touched our lives in various ways but mainly spiritually and with her Godly wisdom. I will truly miss you for all you have done for me and my daughter and thank you so much to Mrs. Jhia Burns you are definitely an legacy of your mother a go getter in every aspect of the words. Thank you as we give our deepest condolences to you and your family. R.I.P. Ms. Deonna Davis you will always be in my heart forevermore.*

**Arlene Raspberry** - July 31, 2023 at 01:13 PM

KM

“ Our Condolences to the Family,  
I just want to Thank God that my cousin and  
friend is at peace. No more pain and  
suffering. I pray my Family finds comfort in  
knowing this. I'll always remember you and  
Love you and will keep our many memories my "Moment". R.I.P. 🙏



**Karen S Montague** - July 28, 2023 at 01:16 PM

LS

“ Deonna may your soul rest in eternal peace.  
On behalf of the Compton and Smith family.



**Lavinia Smith** - July 27, 2023 at 04:09 PM

AB

“ I would like to extend my love and condolences to the Davis family. I pray that God strengthens and comforts the family as they grieve the loss of Ms. Deonna Davis.

Sincerely & God bless,  
Aleshia Brandon & family

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**aleshia brandon** - July 27, 2023 at 03:27 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Deonna Lynn Davis.



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July 26, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Deonna Lynn Davis.

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July 26, 2023 at 09:34 PM

QJ

“ When I moved from Georgia to Paterson and started school at Eastside, my very first friend was Deonna. She spent a lot of time at my house on 25th street doing teenage girls things. Our friendship expanded several decades and we became sisters. I will never forget her and love her always. Rest in Peace, Deonna until the day of the Resurrection. Your Sister in Christ, Queen (Dorman) Jordan.

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**Queen Jordan** - July 26, 2023 at 07:26 PM

RH

“ *My beloved sister my heart is broken in a million pieces my tears seem to be endless. I know my life will never be the same without you but you will always live in my heart today tommorow and forever love always until we're together again*  
*Your sister*  
*Rhonda Y. Mallory Hale*



Rhonda Y. Mallory Hale - July 26, 2023 at 06:23 PM

BD

“ *You're Forever in my heart Mommy. We've got so many beautiful memories together* 😊  
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Brandon Davis - July 26, 2023 at 05:53 PM

AR

“ *Arista lit a candle in memory of Deonna Lynn Davis*



Arista - July 26, 2023 at 03:53 PM

JH

*My condolences to the family. Deonna R I P*

Jean Hill - July 28, 2023 at 02:25 PM

KZ

*Deonna,so many memories.*

Katherine Zaccheus - July 29, 2023 at 05:04 PM