

OBITUARY

Winnie Davis was born in Hazelhurst, Mississippi to the union of Jimmie and Lorraine Shephard.

At a very young age, she united with the Power Chapel Baptist Church of Hazelhurst, under the ministry of her father, Rev. Jimmie Shephard. She later united in Holy Matrimony to Louis Davis, who preceded her in death August 4, 1974.

She moved to Webb, Mississippi, where she joined the True Vine Missionary Baptist Church. She served on the Usher Board, and was a very faithful member.

She moved to Champaign, Illinois in 1955 and united with the Morning Star Free Will Baptist Church.

Mrs. Davis departed this life at the age of 75 years in Burnham Hospital, Champaign, Illinois, on March 12, 1975 at 5:30 A.M.

She leaves to mourn her passing nine children -- Mariah Pernell of Cincinnati, Ohio; Allen, James, Joe, W. S., Alberta Upshaw, Rosie Lee Briggs, Inez Wilson, and Roberta Frazier, all of Champaign-Urbana, Illinois; 39 grandchildren, 46 great-grandchildren, 3 brothers -- Teddy Shephard of Champaign, Leroy of Detroit, Michigan, Robert of Chicago; and a host of relatives and friends.

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"Yea though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death, I will fear
no evil: for thou art with me."

Psalm 23:4