

A Celebration of Life for
SISTER MENNEL EUPHEMIA PHILLIPS

NÉE BENNETT



Sunrise: Nov. 17, 1938 ♦ Sunset: July 20, 2026

FUNERAL SERVICE DETAILS

Date: Friday, August 21, 2026

Viewing: 10:00 AM • Service: 11:00 AM

New Testament Church of God

424 Washington Street • Dorchester, MA 02124

Bishop Lincoln Wright, Officiating
Bishop Dr. Danny Kyei-Poakwa, Host Pastor

In Loving Memory

OBITUARY & LIFE REFLECTION

Mennel E. (Bennett) Phillips was born November 17, 1938, in the parish of Manchester, Jamaica, West Indies, to the late Reverend Arthur and Sis. Hannah (Wright) Bennett. Mennel was the second of ten children. She was raised in a God-fearing home and attended both the Windsor Forrest and Ellen Street Church of God.

She moved to the United Kingdom in 1956 as a teenager, working in a garment factory and later pursuing nursing at Hackney General Hospital. She became an auxiliary nurse and a Licensed Practical Nurse of general surgery and midwifery.

She met and married Laban Rudolph Phillips on October 4, 1958, and they were blessed with two daughters, Audrey Kornegay and Pauline Rather.

After 21 years in England, Mennel migrated to Boston, MA in 1978, working for 22 years as a nursing assistant at St. Margaret Hospital until retiring in 2000. She proudly earned her GED from the Waitt House in Roxbury, MA.

Mennel had a deep love for the Lord and joined the New Testament Church of God in Dorchester, MA in 1978. She served faithfully for many years as the church secretary and was an active member of the women's group and Sunday school.



Preceded in Death By: Her parents, Rev. Arthur and Sis. Hannah Bennett; siblings Kenton, Monica, Kathleen, Clifton, and Alexander; and her daughter Audrey Kornegay.

Survived By: Her husband, Laban Rudolph Phillips; daughter Pauline (Bruce) Rather of Boston, MA; 4 grandchildren (Yolanda Bragg, Larry Lovett, Alicia Pryor, Aaron Kornegay); and 8 great-grandchildren.

Siblings: Veterine (Bertram) McPherson (FL), Rupert (Sandy) Bennett (Clermont, FL), Earl (Lourine) Bennett (FL), and Hortence (Roy) Screws (FL), along with many nieces, nephews, and friends.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." — Matthew 5:8

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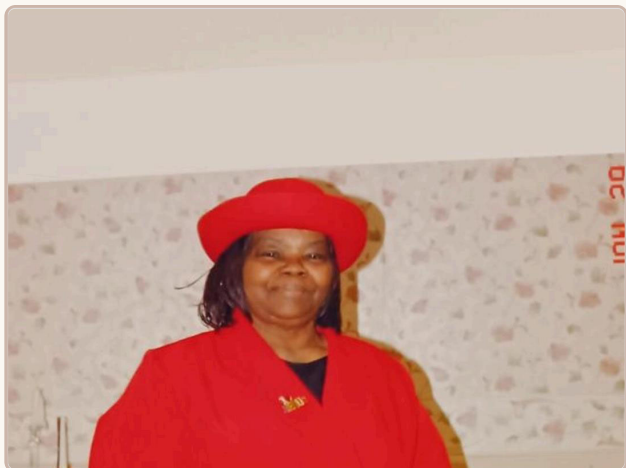
HOMEGOING SERVICE

Presiding: Bishop Lincoln Wright | Host Pastor: Bishop Dr. Danny Kyei-Poakwa

Opening Music Selection	"It is well" — Sister Hazel Nembhard
Prayer of Comfort	Pastor Alexis Benoit
Scripture Reading	Psalm 23 — Yolanda Bragg (Granddaughter)
Remarks & Tributes	Family & Friends
Obituary / Life Reflection	Rupert Bennett (Brother)
Poetry Reading	Pauline Rather (Daughter)
Music Selection	"Blessed Assurance"
Scripture Reading	1 Cor. 15:51-58 — Alicia Pryor
Acknowledgements	Church Representative
Eulogy	Pastor Stanley Edwards
Final Viewing	Funeral Director

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." — 2 Timothy 4:7

Life in Pictures
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A TRIBUTE & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

*"God saw you getting tired, and a cure was not to be.
So He put His arms around you, and whispered, 'Come to Me.'
A golden heart stopped beating, hardworking hands at rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best."*

PALLBEARERS

1. Noel Bragg

2. Jeremiah Bragg

3. Jacob Geigher

4. Malachi Phillips

5. Terrence Pryor

6. Earl Bennett

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family thanks everyone for your calls, visits, prayers, and comfort during this time.

REPAST & INTERMENT

Repast: 424 Washington St., Dorchester, MA

Interment: Forest Hills Cemetery, Boston, MA

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