

WATKINS FAMILY REUNION

“Putting our Trust in the Law of the Lord”

June 26-29, 2008
Virginia Beach, Virginia



DESCENDANTS OF HENRY WATKINS and MYRA WATKINS (1862-1930) and (1878-1943)

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WELCOME – WATKINS FAMILY REUNION

It is indeed a pleasure for me to extend to you a most cordial welcome on behalf of the City of Virginia Beach. You have made a good choice in selecting Virginia Beach as the site of your Family Reunion and you will be in town during the height of the summer season. It is wonderful to welcome you from Chicago, Washington DC, North Carolina, South Carolina, Ohio, New Jersey and Nevada.

As one of the safest cities of its size in America, Virginia Beach offers an abundance of cultural and recreational opportunities and immediate access to quality Oceanfront establishments.

The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia has a marvelous collection of art of our time and offers exhibitions and outdoor art shows.

We also have excellent parks and recreational facilities. We are especially proud of the Virginia Aquarium and Marine Science Center, which combines hands-on exhibits with over 100,000 gallons of aquariums. And don't forget our miles and miles of beautiful beaches and scenic waterways.

Our modern city also has a rich historical past. In Virginia Beach, you can sightsee at locations that date back to our nation's birth. All of this, together, makes this a truly great place in which to hold a memorable family reunion.

We are delighted that you have selected our community, and I encourage you to experience one of the finest cities in the nation during your visit.

Sincerely,

Meyera E. Oberndorf
Mayor

Watkins Family Reunion

Activity Itinerary

"Putting our Trust in the Law of the Lord"

Thursday, June 26, 2008

Meet and Greet Registration

Barclay Towers Resort
809 Atlantic Avenue
Time: 4:30 pm until 9:00 pm
Light Refreshments will be provided



Friday, June 27, 2008

The Watkins Family Banquet

Surfside Oceanfront Inn & Suites
1211 Atlantic Avenue
Virginia Beach, VA 23451
Time: 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm
Come enjoy an evening filled with dancing, food and fun at the beach to set off this elegant atmosphere. This will be an evening to remember!



Saturday, June 28, 2008

The Watkins Family Picnic

The KOA Campsite
1240 General Booth Blvd
Virginia Beach, VA 23451
Time: 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Take the Trolley to the KOA campsite and please arrive by 2:30pm. Food will be served at 3:00pm. Bring your tapes for the talent show!



Sunday, June 29, 2008

Worship Service @ 10:00am

Mount Bethel Baptist Church
Indian River Road, Virginia Beach, VA
Pastor: Bishop Moore

We must be at the church by 9:30 am



Immediately following church service,

Cookout at the home of Davis Sr. and Sinda Rogers

1917 Hunt Club Lane, Chesapeake, VA 23323

June 20, 2008

To the Watkins Family,

Giving all praise and glory to the most High... Greetings and Welcome to the WATKINS Family Reunion. On behalf of the City of Virginia Beach, and the Reunion Committee, we would like to welcome you to the beautiful beaches and sunshine of Virginia Beach.... two years have come and gone so quickly since we last saw one another and for some of you, it has been longer.

We, your Reunion Committee, have worked eagerly awaiting the time that we can greet each of you in love and reminisce about the days gone by. We trust that each of you will return home with lots of pictures and many fond memories to hold you over until the next Reunion. Cherish these times, and don't take them for granted because tomorrow is not promised.

Thank you all for making the journey to celebrate with us. Because of your attendance and support this family reunion will be unforgettable. A special thanks goes out to our regional representatives, Ms. Mary Peterson, Mr. Jonathan Fant and Ms. Delores Wright. Your efforts in reaching out to the family and keeping them informed have been invaluable during this planning period.

We wish you peace, love and much happiness. So we welcome you. Welcome to the sunny beaches and ocean breezes. Welcome to the family get togethers and talent shows. Welcome to our home. So as you reflect back in the past, remember to keep our fellow deceased family members in your thoughts and prayers. **We welcome you with open arms, love and while here; our home is your home!**

Giving all thanks to the local committee persons: the late Davis Rogers, Sr. and Mrs. Sinda Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Davis Jr. and Donna Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. Torrance and Deborah Massenburg. **We are your official Family Reunion Committee...** And, if it's God's will, we will see you in two years.

Sincerely,

08' Watkins Family Reunion Committee



Recent Family Members... Gone But Not Forgotten!

ERNEST J. LOGAN

SAMUEL FANT

NATASHA YOUNG

HESTER BLACKLEY

EDWARD PROCTER

CLYDE ROGERS

DAVIS NATHANIEL ROGERS

JOSEPH ROGERS

LORETTA WATKINS

COLLIS WATKINS

David Nathaniel Rogers (Sinda Rogers)

"And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away"

Revelation 21:4

Memorial



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Henry and Myra Watkins

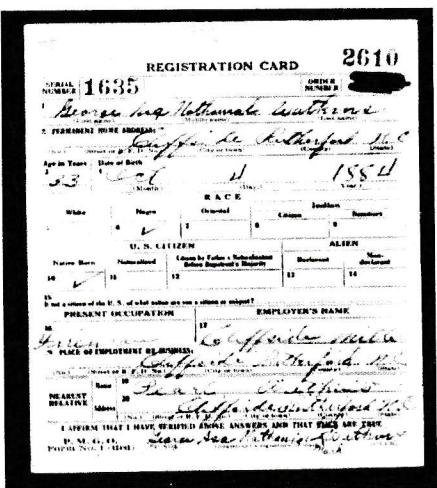
July 1, 1862 Henry Watkins was born to Joe Watkins and Adaline (Lissie) Davis-Watkins in North Carolina. He was the eldest son of eight (8) children. His other siblings were Adaline (oldest daughter), William, Jas, Tempe, Robert, Clinton, and Andrew. Although born in North Carolina, in 1870, Joe and Adaline lived in Limestone, Spartanburg, South Carolina.

In 1878, Myrah McIntyre was born in South Carolina.

Henry and Myrah were joined in Holy Matrimony and out of this union they had eight (8) children. Their names were: Asa Nathaniel (born abt. 1887), Letha (born abt. 1898), Thomas C. (born abt. 1893), Maggie (born abt. 1887), Malissa (born abt. 1895), K.W. (born abt. 1905), Oatha (born abt. 1887), and Tinie (born abt. 1901)

NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS		STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		178
1 PLACE OF DEATH	Rutherfordton			County No. 81-6092
2 CITY, TOWN, OR VILLAGE	Troy NC			Number 95
3 ZIP CODE				
4 FULL NAME	Henry Watkins			(If hospitalized in a hospital or institution, give its name instead of street and number)
5 ADDRESS, NO. & STREET				Word
6 COUNTRY OF BIRTH				(If abroad give city or town and state)
7 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE IN THIS OR OTHER STATE				How long is it S. S. of Foreign birth
PERSONAL AND DEMOGRAPHICAL PARTICULARS				
8 Sex	Male	9 Color of Hair	Black	10 Grade, Marital, Widowed, or Separated (mark the box)
11 If married, widowed, or divorced	Married			
12 Date of Birth (month, day, and year)	July 1, 1862			
13 Age	61	14 Month	July	15 Year
16 Occupation	Laborer			
17 Trade, Profession, or Business kind of work				
18 General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)				
19 Name of employer				
20 Residence (city or town) (State or country)	Troy NC			
21 Name of Father	Joe Watkins			
22 Birthplace of Father (city or town) (State or country)	Troy NC			
23 Maiden Name of Mother	Lissie Davis			
24 Birthplace of Mother (city or town) (State or country)	Troy NC			
25 Information concerning death	Died at home			
26 Address	Forest City NC			
27 Name of Hospital	M.B. Mcleaffy			
28 Name of Doctor	Dr. J. W. Gandy			
29 Name of Mortician	J. W. Gandy			
30 Name of Coroner	J. W. Gandy			
31 Name of Physician	J. W. Gandy			
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MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH				
36 Date of Death (month, day, and year)	Aug 2 1930			
37 HOSPITAL CERTIFY THAT deceased was	Asa Watkins			
38 Deceased born	July 1, 1862			
39 Deceased died on the date named above	July 31, 1930			
40 CAUSE OF DEATH	See other side			
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Henry Watkins died on **July 31, 1930** at the age of 68 as a result of hypertension and Myrah Watkins died on **September 21, 1943**.



Ms. Marie Baxter of Spartanburg, born **May 19, 1915**, but celebrates her birthday on June 2 due to her parents not able to read; is the oldest daughter of four children born in Rutherford County, North Carolina, of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holloway (Letha) Watkins. Ms. Marie was married to the late Bennie Baxter. From this blessed union they had five children:

1917 It is unclear at this time whether Asa Nathaniel's real name was George Asa Nathaniel Watkins or just Asa Nathaniel Watkins. Records show that George Asa Nathaniel Watkins was drafted to serve in WWI at the age of 33. This would be the same age as Asa N. Watkins which would lead one to believe that

THEY ARE THE SAME PERSON.

1942 Rosa Lee and George Rogers moved from Harris Station to Forest City, NC. They both joined Oak Grove Baptist Church during their early years. Together they had eight (8) children. Rutherford County was approximately 30 miles from Spartanburg, SC and there were unlimited opportunities in Rutherford County for black people, mainly the cotton fields. All schools were closed in September and October for the farmers to gather produce ("Moving to **Grahamtown, 2007**"). During the late 1940's, Mrs. Lovie Watkins, an evangelist and mother of 19 children, was a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church too and she organized the Watkins & Rogers Singers and they sang in many Rutherford County churches.



WATKINS & ROGERS SINGERS

Henry and Myra (McIntyre) Watkins



MEET THE WATKINS DESCENDANTS

Bennings, Threatha Price ~ (828) 245-2479, 129 Jackson Street, Forest City, NC 28043, I retired social worker and enjoy writing and painting. I am not related to the Watkins; however, I grew up with the Watkins Family and am the author of the book, "Moving to Grahamtown"

Bolden, Yvette ~ (704) 341-3009, 3011 Rock Springs Road, Charlotte, NC 28226. Married to Jason Bolden for 11 years. We have two (2) children. Jaiya Alexis (Age 4) and Nadia Marie (Age 2). Jason is an emergency room physician and I am a stay-at-home mother. Jason enjoys sports, gardening, cooking and traveling. My hobbies include zumba, sports, antique shopping and traveling. I am the daughter of Pearl Baxter Green who is the daughter of Marie Holloway Baxter who is the daughter of Letha Watkins Holloway who is the daughter of Myra and Henry Watkins.

Brown, Janine ~ (937) 837-7088, 408 East Eppington Drive, Trotwood, Ohio 45426. Married to Clifford Brown. Children (2): Ryan and Mitchell.

Darby (Baxter), Anita ~ (803) 407-0271, 317 Silver Fox Lane, Columbia, SC 29212. Married to Mr. Stewart Darby for 22 years. Children (2), Ashlee (Age 20), and Candance (Age 16). I am a registered nurse in the operating room physician assistant. I am the daughter of Mrs. Earlene Baxter and the granddaughter of the Marie Baxter.

Fant, Margaret ~ (864) 573-6903 (home), (864) 497-6345 (cell), 140 W. Centennial Street, Apt. 34-D, Spartanburg, SC 29303-2701. Widowed, Children (6), Catherine (Age 55), Ricky (53), Josie (51), Lisa (51) Jonathan (48) and Margaret Delania (45). I am a retired Certified Nurses Assistant. My grandmother was Letha Watkins Holloway and her brother was John Watkins.

Fant, Jonathan ~ (202) 258-4968 (cell), P.O. Box 1419, Washington D.C. 20013. jonathan@jlffpc.com. Single. I am the President/CEO of F.A.N.T.S. LLC. The son of Margaret Fant who was the granddaughter of Letha Watkins Holloway.

Green, Pearl Baxter ~ (864) 585-5749, 48 Shady Lane, Spartanburg, SC 29302. Married to the late Ernest J. Green for 51 years. Children (5). Janine Brown, Sabrina Hines, Yvette Bolder, Keith Green and Renaldo Young. I am retired and enjoy traveling, crafts and shopping. My mother's name is Marie N. Holloway Baxter who is the daughter of Letha Watkins Holloway.

Griffin, Donald ~ (804) 497-8667, 4014 Northrop Street, Richmond, Virginia 23225. Married to Sandra Griffin. Children (1); Donesha Griffin.

Hines, Sabrina ~ (828) 863-2715, 63 Arthurs Drive, Rutherfordton, NC 28139. email: sghines@srhs.com . Married to Donald Hines for nine (9) years. Children: Jeremy (Age 20), Justin (Age 18), Perrin (Age 10), Cameron (Age 3). I am respiratory therapist and Donald is a lead machine operator. We enjoy walking, dancing and reading. My grandmother is Marie Holloway Baxter.

Hollington (Peterson), Nycole ~ (301) 497-6470, 3344 Yellow Flower Road, Laurel, MD 20724. Email: nphollington@verizon.net , Married to Jermelle Hollington for 7 years. No Children. I am an Acute Care Nurse Practitioner in the Interventional Cardiology. Jermelle is an electrical engineer at the US Patent and Trademark Office. I enjoy reading, swimming and my husband enjoys football and basketball. My mother, Mary Baxter Peterson, is the granddaughter of Letha Watkins Holloway.

Holloway, David ~ (252) 332-2579 (H), (252) 862-5833 (cell), P.O. Box 233, Harrellsville, NC 27942. email: dlilvette@embarqmail.com Married to Ms. Sharon S. Holloway for 8 years. Children (4), ShaDavia (Age 7), Shalelar (Age 20 months), Shaniqua (Age 14), Brittany (Age 17). I am employed with International Paper Company. I enjoy playing video games.

Holloway, Franklin ~ (864) 472-0960, 27 Blackstock Road, Inman, SC 29349. Married to Rachell Nesbitt. I have two children, Lisa Holloway (Age 43) and David Holloway (Age 40). I am involved in home improvement and enjoy fishing and hunting.

Hopkins (Rogers), Lovie ~ (908) 322-4463, 1586 Front Street, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076-1151. I have been married to David Hopkins since 1966. We are both retired. My mother is the late Rose Lee Watkins Rogers who is the daughter of Lovie and A.C. Watkins who was the son of Henry and Myra Watkins. My father is George Rogers.

Massenburg, Deborah L. (Rogers) ~ (757) 399-4430, 500 Barlow Drive, Portsmouth, VA 23707. Email: drmoney99@yahoo.com Married for ten (10) years to Torrance Massenburg. We have two boys Terrence DeAngelo (Age 3) and Torrance Jr. (Age 5). Occupation: Mechanical Engineer with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Norfolk, VA. Husband is employed by UPS. I enjoy reading, playing the piano and spending time with my family. My father is the late Davis N. Rogers who was the son of Rosa Lee Rogers-Watkins who is the granddaughter to Myra and Henry Watkins.

Miller, William Lee ~ (773) 734-6567, 7807 South East End, Chicago, Illinois 60649. Email lmiller7807@sbcglobal.net Married to Mrs. Sherye Garmony-Miller for 18

years. Children (1): William Miller Jr. (Age 25). I am an administrator for the Chicago Board of Education. My grandmother's name was Tiny Watkins.

Peterson, Elyse ~ 1755 Ashley Hall Road, Apartment C2, Charleston, SC 29407. Single. No Children. The daughter of Mary Baxter Peterson who is the daughter of Marie Holloway Baxter.

Peterson, Mary Baxter ~ (843) 559-5481, 2519 Boy Scout Road, Wasmalaw Island, SC 29487. email: mpete56977@aol.com Married to Benjamin John Peterson for 35 years. Children (2): Nycole Peterson Hollington (Age 32) and Elyse Rene Peterson (Age 22). I have been retired for 7 years. My hobbies include cross stitching, reading and completing puzzles. I am the daughter of Marie Holloway Baxter and the granddaughter of Letha Watkins.

Porter (Watkins), Patricia ~ (773) 651-0751 (home), (773) 726-9728 (cell), 7321 South Green Street, Chicago, Illinois 60621. Single, Children (3): Robert Porter, Raymond Porter and Rudolph Tolar. I also raised my sisters Loretta Watkins' 6 children and I have 3 grandchildren. I work for Blue Cross Blue Shield as a Claim Examiner. My father is Perry Watkins.

Richardson (Sanders), Davitte ~ (803) 749-3625, 106 Highland Creek Lane, Columbia, SC 29212. email: mkaydarich@aol.com, Married to Mr. Jesse J. Richardson, III for 12 years. No Children. Self-employed in insurance sales. My hobbies include baking, reading, sports and outdoor activities. My mother is Earline Baxter Sanders. My grandmother is Marie Baxter (Holloway). My great-grandmother is Letha (Watkins) Holloway. My great-great grandparents were the late Myra (McIntrye) Watkins and Henry Watkins.

Rogers, Davis Jr. ~ (757) 409-1336 or 467-8144, 1708 Grey Friars Chase, Virginia Beach, VA 23456. email: inspectahome@myway.com. Married to Mrs. Donna Mobley Rogers for 14 years. Children (2): Jonathan (Age 12) and Brionna (Age 10). I am a certified construction developer/builder in the Hampton Roads area. We enjoy music production, spending time with family, reading scripture, and outdoor activities. My father is the late Davis N. Rogers Sr. who was the son of Rosa Lee Watkins-Rogers who is the granddaughter to Myra and Henry Watkins.

Rogers, Sinda ~ (757) 436-7633, 1917 Hunt Club Lane, Chesapeake, VA 23323. Married to the late Davis N. Rogers for 41 years. Children (2): Davis Rogers Jr. (Age 41) and Deborah Lynn (Age 38) Occupation: Retired teacher. My hobbies include cooking, reading, studying the word and spending quality time with family members.

My husband was the son of the late Rosa Lee Rogers who was the daughter of AC and Lovie Watkins and granddaughter of Henry and Myra Watkins.

Rogers, Susanne ~ (908) 431-9620, 8 Ichabod Crane Lane, Belle Mead, NJ 08502. Married to the late Joseph Louis Rogers for 20 years. Children (2): Christopher (age 20) and Eric (Age 14). Occupation: Pharmacist. We enjoy reading spiritual passages daily, watching our favorite TV programs, playing chess, playing pool and ping-pong. My husband was the son of the late Rose Lee Watkins and George Rogers.

Scott, Carolyn ~ (708) 235-0984, 26423 South Winfield Road, Monee, Il 60449. Married to Anthony Scott for 23 years. Children (4): David, Stephanie, Paris (Age 18) and Franklin (Age 22). I enjoy reading, traveling, experiencing new cultures and the learning about the Lord. My father is the late Franklin Rogers who was the son of Rosa Lee Watkins-Rogers.

Tolar, Rudolph ~ 10704 North Council Road, Apt #7, Oklahoma City, OK 73162, Married to Shanitha Knowles-Tolar. Mother is Patricia Watkins-Porter. Grandson to Perry Watkins.

Watkins, Caldwell ~ (513) 242-5717, 1141 Laidlaw Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45237. Widowed. Children (3): Collis L. (Deceased), Doris Johnson (60), and Joyce Watkins (52). Retired. Still working. My grandparents were Lovie and Asa N. Watkins.

Watkins, Joyce ~ (937) 325-1381, 1958 Portage Path, Springfield, OH 45506. Single. Children (1): Damian J. Adams (29). Grandchildren (2): Damian Jr. (8) and Precious (6). I enjoy traveling and singing in the choir at church. My father is Caldwell Watkins.

Watkins, Perry ~ (773) 924-3571. 4500 South Wabash, Apt. #205, Chicago, Illinois. Married to Elizabeth Watkins , Children (8), Loretta Watkins (deceased), John, Joseph, Jerry, Irene Shavers-Adams, Patricia Porter, Christine Scott and Rejeana Jones. Retired. I am the youngest son of Asa
I am

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Joseph Rogers

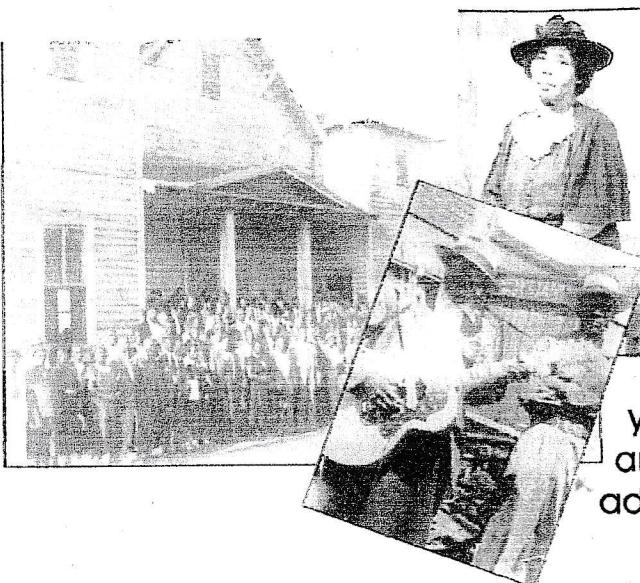
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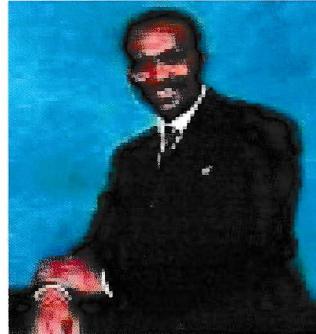
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IN LOVING MEMORY

Davis N. Rogers, Sr.

April 03, 1942 - April 25, 2008



Obituary

Davis Nathaniel Rogers Sr. departed this life on Friday, April 25, 2008 at the Chesapeake Regional Medical Center. Born and reared in Forest City North Carolina on April 3, 1942, he was the son of the late George H. Rogers and Rosa Lee Watkins. One of nine children, Davis was five years old before he started to talk. As a teenager, he had a speech impediment and was made fun of by his peers in elementary school. Davis was a high school honor student. During his senior year, his teachers thought so highly of his academic ability that they allowed him to teach senior physics and algebra for an entire semester. Of 120 students majoring in Electrical Engineering at North Carolina Agriculture and Technical University (A&T), he was one of five students who graduated after four years in attendance. He was the first African-American from the county of Forest City, North Carolina to become an Electrical Engineer. Davis was a classmate of Jesse Jackson. In the 60's, he was a participant in the civil rights march held in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Davis began his professional career at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard where he worked as a designer. He later accepted a senior position at the Atlantic Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, where much of his time was spent traveling to different countries to investigate engineering problems. Davis was the first African-American director of the Electrical Engineering Department at the Naval Public Works Center located at the Norfolk Naval Base in Norfolk, Virginia. He held an awesome responsibility of supervising thirteen Electrical Engineers and signing off of all electrical designs completed at the naval base or by Architect and Engineering firms. He was a loving and devoted family man with an extraordinary work ethic. He adored his wife who he affectionately called 'Dear'. Davis was slow to speak and quick to listen. He believed in treating others the way he wanted to be treated. Davis touched many lives with his calm and encouraging demeanor and exemplified humility and strength. He will be deeply missed.

As a registered professional Electrical Engineer and entrepreneur, Davis was voted Who's Who among American Black men, a member of the Tidewater Chapter North Carolina A&T University Alumni Association, the Omega Psi Phi Fraternal Organization and a volunteer coach for the Tiger Woods Tidewater Youth Golf Association. He was formally a member of New Bethel Baptist Church in Portsmouth, VA and later became a member of Cedars of Lebanon Church in Chesapeake, VA.

Left to cherish and carry on his memory are his loving wife of 41 years, Sinda Rogers; son Davis Jr. (Donna), their children Jonathan and Brionna of Virginia Beach, Va; daughter Deborah Massenburg (Torrance), their children Torrance Jr. and Terrence of Portsmouth, VA; two brothers Joe (Susan) and Standford Rogers, two sisters Lovie Hopkins (David) of New Jersey, Ethel Lee Floyd of North Carolina; a devoted niece Carolyn (Anthony) of Chicago, IL; and a host of in-laws, nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, relatives and many dear friends. He was predeceased by three brothers, George, Clyde and Franklin Rogers and a sister Hester Blackley.

Contributions may be made to D. Rogers Endowment Fund at Bank of America, No., 435010438172 for purposes of scholarships, interns and research in his name. Condolences may be offered to the family at www.metropolitanfuneralservices.com.

SINDA ROGERS

FAMILY REUNION

By: The O'JAYS

It's so nice to see
All the folks you love together
Sittin' and talkin' bout
All the things that's been goin' down
It's been a long, long time
Since we had a chance to get together
Nobody know the next time we see each other
Maybe years and years from now

Family reunion (Got to have)
A family reunion
Family reunion
(It's so nice to come together) to come together
(To get together)

I wish grandma could see
The whole family
I sure miss her face
And her warm and tender embrace
And if grandpa was here
I know he'd be smiling for me a tear
To see what he has done
All the offsprings from his daughters and sons

A family reunion (Gonna have)
A family reunion (Ooh, ooh)
Family reunion
(It's so nice to come together) To come together
(To get together)

Ooh...ooh...ooh...ooh...ooh...
Ooh...ooh...ooh...ooh...
At least once a year we should have

Family reunion
A family reunion (We need to do it for the young)
Family reunion
(It'll be nice, it'll be nice to come together) To come together
To get together

Family reunion (Sister know, heaven knows)
A family reunion (It's good to see you)
Family reunion (I said we are sinkin' hands, makin plans)
(Maybe next year)To come together (Maybe next year)



FAMILY REUNION

Continuation...

A family reunion (Ooh...ooh...ooh...ooh...ooh...)
A family reunion (We gotta have, we gotta have)
Family reunion (It'll be nice, it'll be so nice)
(To come together) To come together
(To get together)

You know the family is the solution to the world's problems today
Now let's take a look at the family
In the family the father is like the head, the leader, the director
Not domineering, but showing love, guidance
For everyone else in the family
Now if we could get all the fathers of the world
To stand up and be fathers
That would be great
Then we have mothers
Who are the right arm of the father
There's supposed to-to-to do the cooking
Raise the children, do the sewing
And help the father to guide and direct
Then there's the son
The son, most sons are like imitators of their father
So we're back again to the father
And he is guiding in the right way
The son is definitely gonna be alright
Then we have the daughter
Watching her mother
Be-because sooner or later she' gonna be a mother
And she'll have her own sons and daughters
It don't, it don't just stop there with the family or
Of-of yours or mine
It's a universal family
Under one divine purpose
And one divine father
That is if we all come together no matter what color, race, creed
Because that's all in the head whether you wanna believe it or not
'Cause you'll bleed

Hoo...
Family, family reunion
It'll be nice, so nice, so nice



Directions from Atlantic Avenue to Mount Bethel Baptist Church

Start out going NORTH on ATLANTIC Avenue toward 2 nd Street	0.2 mi
Turn LEFT onto 5 th Street	0.1 mi
PACIFIC Avenue becomes GENERAL BOOTH Blvd.	0.2 mi
Turn RIGHT onto DAM NECK Rd.	6.6 mi
Stay STRAIGHT to go onto ELBOW Road	2.4 mi
Turn RIGHT onto INDIAN RIVER Road	0.9 mi

End at Mount Bethel Baptist Church, 4636 Indian River Road, Virginia Beach, VA

Directions from Mount Bethel Baptist Church to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Davis & Sinda Rogers Sr.

Start out going SOUTHEAST on INDIAN RIVER Road toward STUMPY LAKE Lane	0.8 mi
Turn slight RIGHT onto ELBOW Road	3.2 mi
Turn LEFT onto CENTERVILLE Turnpike North	7.6 mi
Turn LEFT onto VA-168 BR/South Battlefield Blvd.	0.1 mi
Turn RIGHT onto BENEFIT Road	3.9 mi
Turn LEFT to stay on BENEFIT Road	1.0 mi
Turn RIGHT onto SHILLELAGH Road	2.7 mi
Turn LEFT onto FOXWOOD Drive	0.5 mi
Turn LEFT onto HUNT CLUB Lane	0.1 mi

**End at the home of Davis Sr. and Sinda Rogers, 1917 Hunt Club Lane,
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Directions from Chesapeake back to Virginia Beach

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Turn RIGHT onto FOXWOOD Drive	0.5 mi
Turn LEFT onto SHILLELAGH Road	4.0 mi
Turn RIGHT onto CAHOOH Parkway	0.3 mi
Turn LEFT onto GRASSFIELD Parkway	0.5 mi
Turn RIGHT onto DOMINION Blvd S/US-17 N.	3.2 mi
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