THE APOSTLES' CREED
I believe in God the Father almighty
Maker of Heaven and Earth.
And Jesus Christ his only son, our Lord.
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born under the virgin Mary, suffered under
Pontius Pilate

Was crucified, dead, and buried.
The third day he rose from the dead.
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body and the life
everlasting, AMEN



May the Lord bless and protect you; may the Lord's face radiate with joy because of you; may he be gracious to you, show you his favor, and give you his peace.

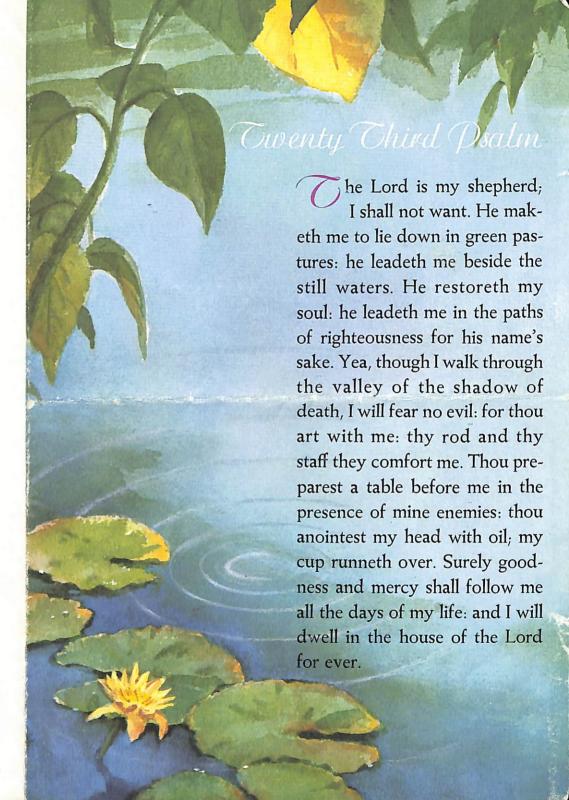
Numbers 6:24-26

Thank you for your many expressions of sympathy during our time of sorrow.

The Family

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# In Loving Memory

Of

## IRVIN LOUIS FRANCIS March 12, 1944 - December 3, 1996

Funeral Service Of Resurrection: Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 1996 - 10:00 a.m.

John J. Moore Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church 1015 Boston Road Bronx, New York

Rev. Bernice Hanemann, Officiating Sis. Gillis, Organist



### THE ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ODGAN PREILIDE	(please sit silently)
	Resurrection Choir
	Minister
THE HYMN	
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THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON.	23 <sup>rd</sup> Psalm
THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON	1 <sup>st</sup> Corinthians
THE PRAYER OF COMFORT	
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	Bro. Milton Farrar
THE OBITUARY	(read in silence)
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THE SERMON	
THE RECESSIONAL	
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INTERMENT	Ferncliff Cemetery

Hartsdale, New York



#### THE OBITUARY

Bro. Irvin Louis Francis, the husband of Mrs. Sheila M. Francis, was called home on December 3, 1996.

Irvin was born in Charleston, South Carolina on March 12, 1944. He received his early education in the school of Charleston, South Carolina. He also attended church and Sunday School with his late grand aunt Mrs. Sarah Honor.

Upon coming to New York, he enlisted in the United States Air Force. He continued his education, received his High School Diploma, kept on studying and made the rank of Sergeant. Airman First Class Francis served in the Vietnam War in Thailand. For his quick thinking and bravery he received the Air Force Commendation Medal.

Coming home on furlough, Bro. Francis met and married Sheila Hicks on February 10, 1968. From this union three children were born. Bro. Francis received his Honorable Discharge from the Air Force in June 1971 and they made their home in New York City.

He joined John J. Moore Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church under the administration of the late Rev. Frank Baker, placed on Class #3 under the late Mr. Paul McClendon. When asked to help, Irvin always made himself available to all in every situation, unselfishly.

He leaves to cherish his wife Sheila; mother, Florence Francis; two sons, Irvin, Jr. and Kevin; daughter, Tracey; three grandchildren, Shantel, Shea'Don, and Irvin, Ill; daughter-in-law, Ida M. Francis of New York; two sisters, Carutha Bazile of North Carolina and Trudell McNear of Palmdale, California; one uncle, Samuel Francis; Brother, John A. Frasier; two big brothers, Samuel Bishop and St. Julian Francis of Charleston, South Carolina; two brothers-in-law, seven sisters-in-law, beloved nieces, nephews, a host of cousins, relatives and friends.

Irvin lived in the Throggs Neck Community for twenty-four years.

"He had a nature you could not help loving, And a heart that was purer than gold; And to those who knew him and loved him, His memory will never grow cold."

> Respectfully Submitted, The Family

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Grieve not...
nor speak of me
with tears...
but laugh
and talk of me
as though I were
beside you.
I loved you so...
'twas Heaven
here with you.

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