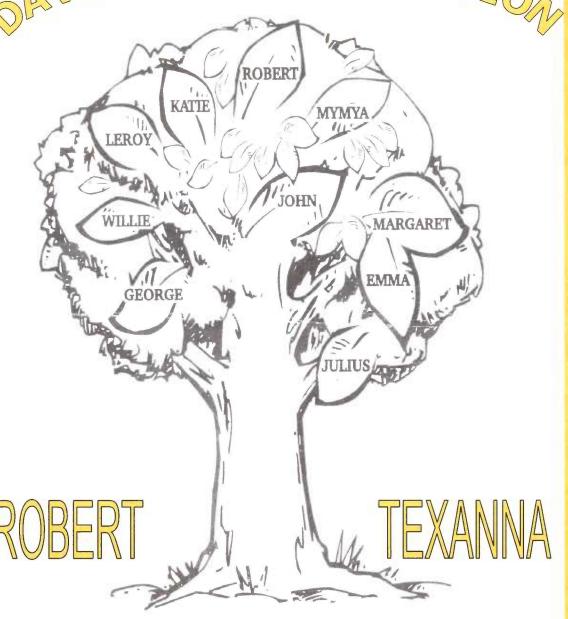
THE 15th BIENNIAL ON SALVIS FAMILY REUNION



JULY 12-15, 2012 AKRON, OHIO



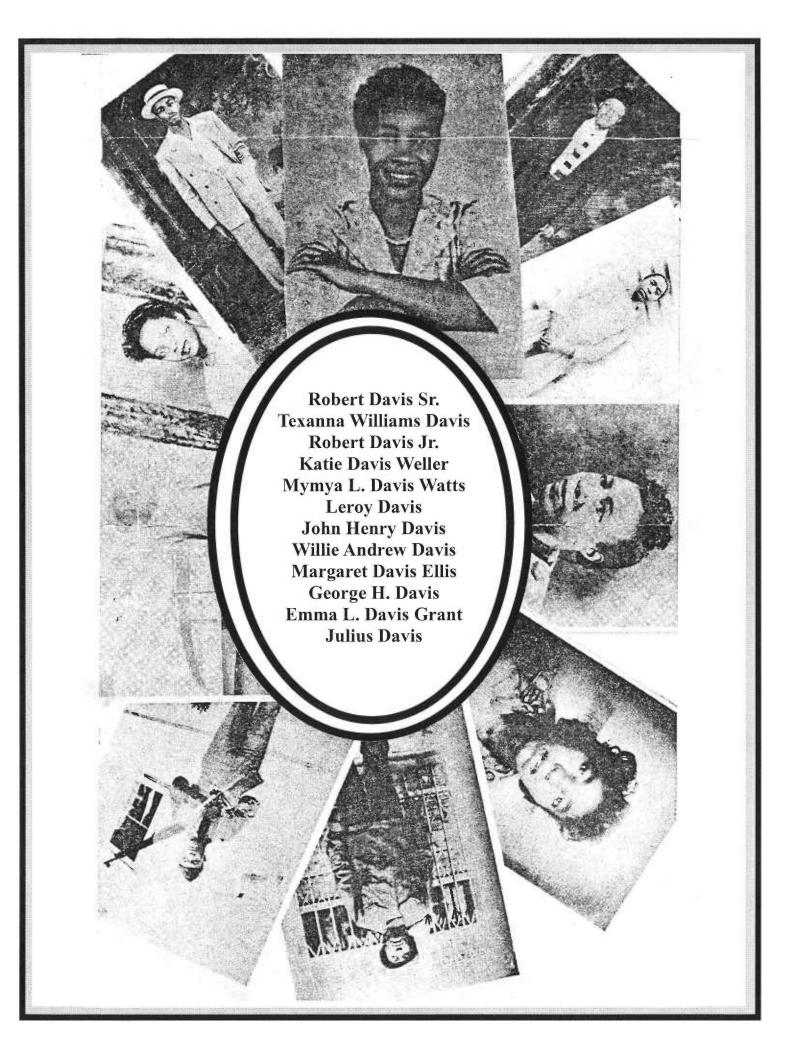
### ROBERT DAVIS SR.

Born on July 4, 1869 Died on November 2, 1956

### TEXANNA DAVIS

Born on July 14, 1884 Died on March 10, 1987





### DAVIS FAMILY HISTORY

### **Great Great Grandparents**

Robert and Rachel Steadman

Ann and York Smith

### Great Grandparents

Dan and Mymya Flenoyd Davis

Gus Williams and Katie Molette Williams

#### **Parents**

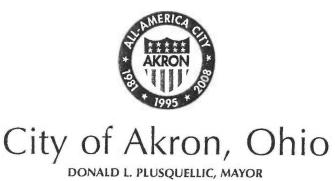
Robert Davis 7/4/1867—11/2/1956

Texanna Williams Davis 7/14/1884—3/12/1987

### Children and Spouses

Robert Davis Jr.
Katie L. Davis Waller
Mymya L. Davis Watts
Leroy Davis
John Henry Davis
Willie Andrew Davis
Margaret Davis Ellis
George Henry L. Davis
Emma L. Davis Grant
Julius Davis

Iona L. Davis
Damon Waller
Daniel Carey Watts
Annie Bell/ Mamie Davis
Annie Mae Davis
Cora Lee Walker Davis
Wash Ellis
Ola B. Coleman Davis
Eddie L. Grant
Mary Smith Davis



July 12-15, 2012

#### Welcome to the Davis, Wilkins and Ellis Families and Guests

Allow me to officially congratulate you on your family's 15th biennial reunion, which will be held in Akron from July 12-15, 2012. The City of Akron extends a warm welcome to all family members and your out-of-town guests. I understand that the first Robert and Texanna Davis Family Reunion was held in Akron in July 1984, to celebrate the 100th birthday of the family's Great Grandmother, Texanna. On that memorable day, family members from across the United States gathered to honor her remarkable life. I am sure you all have fond memories of her since her passing on March 12, 1987 at the age of 102.

Among the most enjoyable aspects of summer in this community are the many gatherings that bring thousands of visitors into our wonderful city. And, what fun it must be to get everyone back together to reminisce.

It is certainly my hope that during your time with family and friends, you will take some time to travel around Akron and see the wonderful activities and resources we have to offer you. The Akron area is known for excellent dining and live entertainment, a fantastic system of metro parks, hike and bike trails and more.

For those of you who may have visited Akron in the past, you will find we have changed markedly and rapidly over the past dozen or so years.

I hope all of you enjoy this time with your many family members and that you have a wonderful reunion. We are honored to have your family in Akron.

Sincerely,

Del Z Chyllic DONALD L. PLUSQUELLIC

Mayor

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#### UNDER THE SPONSORSHIP OF

#### REPRESENTATIVE VERNON SYKES HOUSE DISTRICT 44

On behalf of the members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio, we are pleased to extend special recognition to the

#### **DAVIS FAMILY**

on the memorable occasion of its 15th biennial reunion, July 12-15, 2012.

Recognition of this celebration is a fitting tribute to the Davis family, for the members have come together to celebrate their heritage. The first Robert and Texanna Davis family reunion was held in Akron, Ohio in 1984, and the Davis family will again host family members from all over the United States. Without a doubt, this gathering offers relatives the opportunity to share their memories and experiences and to reflect on the benefits of life in such a close-knit family, for they have built on the traditions of the past to ensure a future filled with hope and promise.

In our age, one in which the durability of values can be measured in months and days rather than in years and generations, it is not only enlightening but also satisfying to discover that the importance of togetherness and family has not been forgotten. We are proud to honor the Davis family for setting such a fine example of unity.

Thus, with great pleasure, we commend the Davis family on its 2012 reunion and salute all those attending this event as outstanding citizens.

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Representative

WILLIAM G. BATCHELDER
SPEAKER

OHIO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### 15th Biennial Davis Family Reunion 2012 Ohio Chapter July 12th—15th, 2012

### **Officers**

PresidentBrian Ellis
Vice PresidentWesley Wilkins
SecretaryGeorgia Ellis
TreasurerMichelle "Lucy" Ellis
Co-TreasurerTameka Ellis
Sargent-at-ArmsKatie Ellis
Sargent-at-ArmsDamarus Ellis
Contact Person

### 15th Biennial Davis Family Reunion 2012 Ohio Chapter July 12th—15th, 2012

### **ITINERARY**

#### Thursday, July 12, 2012

Registration—Get Acquainted!!!

Meeting Room - Holiday Inn—Akron West

4:00 p.m.—Until

#### Friday, July 13, 2012

FREE DAY Fish Fry

Meeting Room—Holiday Inn—Akron West 6:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m.

#### Saturday, July 14, 2012

Family Picnic—1:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.

Goodyear Metro Park—East Room

(Bus will depart the hotel at 12:30 p.m., please be prompt)

#### **Sunday, July 15, 2012**

Banquet—Holiday Inn—Akron West 1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

### 15th Biennial Davis Family Reunion 2012 Sunday, July 15, 2012

### **BANQUET PROGRAM**

Mistress of CeremonyMary Ellis-Wilkins
Word of PrayerWesley Wilkins
Welcome & Introduction of OfficersBrian Ellis
Presentation of Gifts
Words of EncouragementBishop Robert Watts
Lighting of Candles ServicePastor Howard Harris
Davis Family HistoryJean Watts
Discussion of 2014 Family Reunion & 2016 Family ReunionBrian Ellis
Closing RemarksMary Ellis-Wilkins
The Lord's PrayerThe Davis Family & Guests

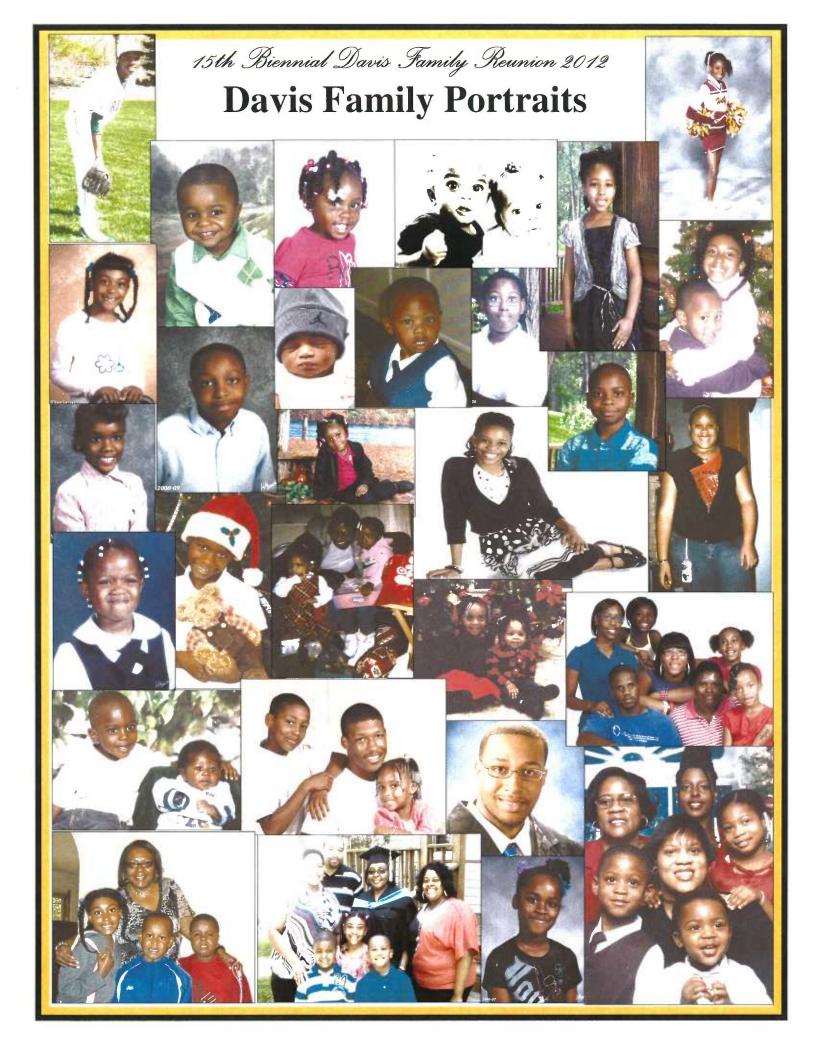
## To Our Family

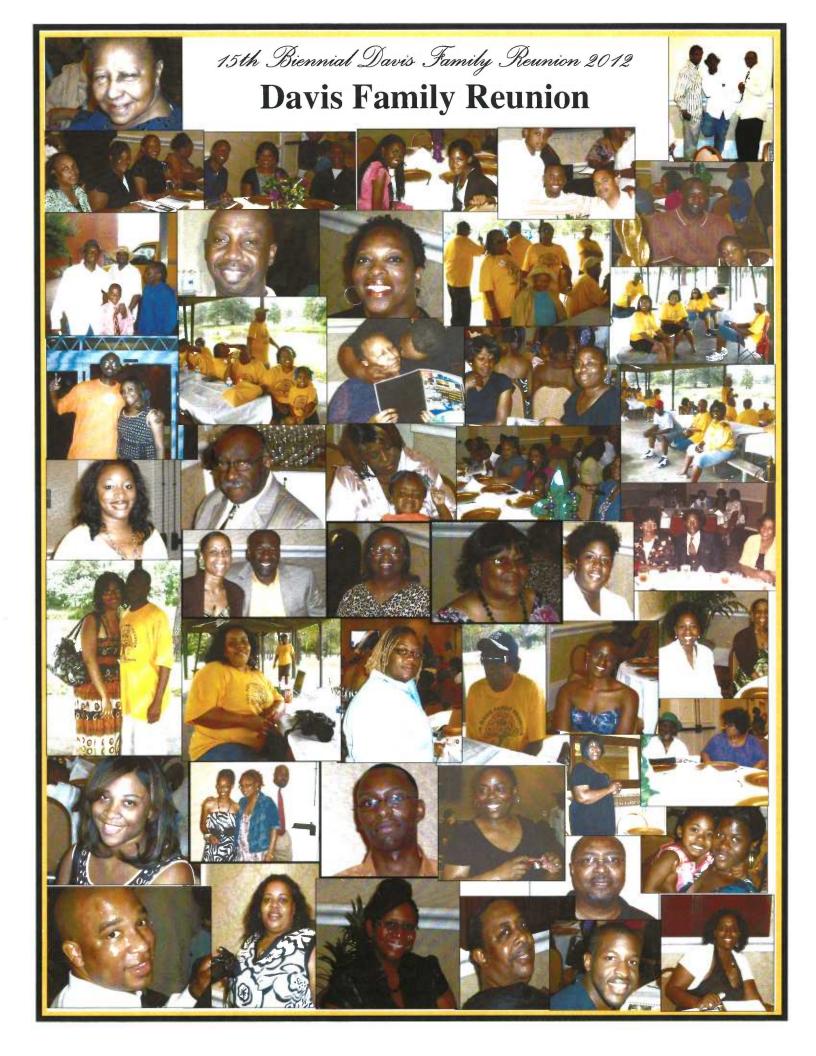
We love looking back to where we began seeing us as we were at the beginning, then slowly leafing through the memories we've made together to bring us to where we are today

We love anticipating the days ahead of us, wondering what we'll find in each other, in ourselves, before another year has slipped away . . .

But best of all,
let's enjoy being together,
where we are today,
together writing the pages for us
and those to come
that we'll remember tomorrow.

May God Bless Us And Keep Us A "Family"





15th Biennial Davis Family Rounion

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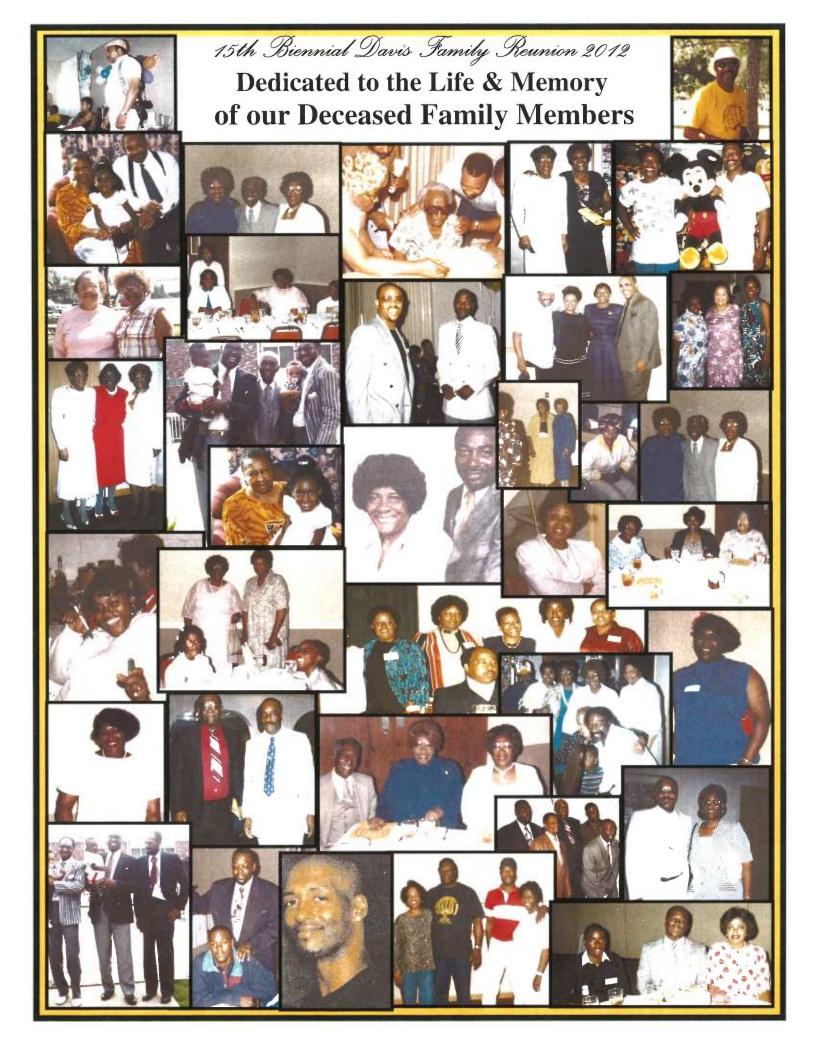
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There is an open gate at the end of the road
Through which each must go alone;
And there is a light we cannot see
Our Father claims his own.

Beyond that gate our loved one finds
Happiness and rest;
And there is comfort in the thought
That only a loving God knows best

**The Reunion Committee** 



### City of Akron, Ohio

July 14, 1984

THOMAS C. SAWYER Mayor

Ther. Ievanna Davis. 1788 Greenwood ave. Akron, Ohio 44320

Dear Mrs. Davis:

I want to add my congratulations to those of your family and friends. on this, your 100th birthday. W marvel at what you must have experienced in your befetime. Living to see six generations of your family is certainly a have and very special privilege that comes to only a few in this life. I hope that this birthday is. one that you will remember for a long time to come and that your family will treasure this occasion. for all it has meant in their liver and those that will follow. Best wishes for your goo and happiness Warmest personal regard.

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ARTER D. WOMACK Louncilman 4th Ward

CITY COUNCIL

Chairman, Health & Social Service Committee Member, Public Service Committee

July 13,1984

Mrs. Texanna Davis c/o Mrs. Emma L. Grant 1258 Greenwood Avenue Akron, Ohio 44320

Dear Mrs. Davis:

As your family and many friends gather on this day to say Happy 100th Birthday, I am very honored to have been invited to join in the celebration. It is my understanding that you, just as I, came to Akron from Alabama...the best people are from Alabama. (smile)

Mrs. Davis, your long and productive life lives in the sixth generation that follows you. You are an inspiration to us all, for life, is for living and sharing with others.

May God continue to bless you.

With kindest thoughts,

Carter D. Womack

Fourth Ward Councilman

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