



## Nina Mae Turner

August 30, 1932 - November 17, 2021

Nina Mae Smith Turner, was born on August 30, 1932 in Baltimore, Maryland, to the late James and Ethel Smith. Nina was the oldest of her siblings. Nina received her education in Baltimore City at St. Monica's Catholic School, then earning her high school diploma from Carver Vocational Technical High School. Nina played basketball and majored in dress making and tailoring, in which she earned a diploma in both. She was an excellent seamstress. Nina delighted in making beautiful dresses and gowns for her mother, family members and friends. She especially loved making gowns for her social club members, "The Courtiers", along with making suits for her son Troy.

After graduating high school, Nina was joined in holy matrimony with William Barnes (deceased). From this union, came her first son, Timothy Barnes. Nina later gave birth to her second son, Troy Jason who was the apple of her eye.

Nina worked several jobs after graduating high school along with completing a few years of college. She found her professional calling while employed with the District of Columbia Juvenile Services. She worked as a counselor and later as a supervisor at Cedar Knoll located in Laurel, MD. While employed at Cedar Knoll, Nina also met and married her late husband, Jasper Turner.

Nina was loving and passionate about all of her kids, grandkids, family member's kids, neighborhood kids... just kids period. Even after retirement Nina could be found volunteering for several years at the neighborhood elementary school. Nina was confirmed as a Catholic at an early age, however as an adult she became a Methodist and joined Lewin United Methodist Church with her mother and grandmother. Nina took pride in being a helping hand at her church and proudly operating in many positions which included teaching Sunday school, Pastor's Assistant, choir member, trustee, cooking, and cleaning – Nina had a heart to serve in any capacity she was needed. Nina loved people and people loved Nina. Praising the Lord was her passion in life.

Nina loved to dance and socialize with family and friends and was known for her stylish clothes. Her Brightwood Avenue home was the family gathering place where all were welcomed with love. Nina was definitely "the hostess with the mostess". Along with being an avid traveler, Nina was known for taking her family on a yearly vacation or two. Nina loved road-trips to North Carolina, down to the Eastern shore, Canada and Atlantic City.

She especially loved taking road trips to visit family in Norfolk, VA.

Nina is preceded in death by her husband – Jasper Turner, mother – Ethel Smith, grandmother – Lucretia Bunch, son – Timothy Barnes, and four brothers – Lonnie Smith, Donald Smith, James Boyd, and Carey Woodlon.

Nina leaves to cherish her son Troy (Tracion), three grandsons – Tyler, Timothy, and Troy (Tayari), four granddaughters – Tomiko (Kenny), Tamika, Shana, and Tori, along with 24 great grandchildren, 10 great great grandchildren, 3 sister-in-laws – Laretta Boyd, Paulette Woodlon, and Roslyn Smith, along with a life-long friend, Myrtle Walker, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

# Cemetery

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# Events

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**Maryland National**

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**NOV** **Wake** 11:30AM - 12:00PM

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March Life Tribute Center - Randallstown  
5616 Old Court Road, Windsor Mill, MD, US

**NOV** **Viewing** 02:00PM - 04:00PM

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**NOV** **Service** 12:00PM

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# Comments

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“ To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Nina Mae Turner, Please Click the Link below.



**March Life Tribute Centers** - November 23, 2021 at 09:28 AM

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“ Shelly Costley lit a candle in memory of Nina Mae Turner



**Shelly Costley** - December 02, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ Troy,  
My condolences on the loss of your beautiful Mom. What a lovely service in her honor. She is beyond proud of you. Please let Blue and I know if there is anything we can do to be of assistance in the days and weeks ahead for we know all too well that those will be some of the most difficult.

Kris

**kris** - November 28, 2021 at 01:45 PM

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“ Rest In Peace my Cousin Nina Mae. Troy, Tracy I will be praying for you.  
Love you  
Kim



**Kim A Woodlon-White** - November 28, 2021 at 01:17 PM

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“ Sending prayers and much love to Troy and entire family. There are so many good memory's of the Smith's gatherings and reunions from our childhood into adulthood. Always remember the love that she shared with us all. Love you all. We Are Family!! Calvin, Michael, Rodney, Audrey and Reginald Smith

**Audrey Smith** - November 28, 2021 at 09:14 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



**Charity Welch** - November 26, 2021 at 03:46 PM



“ The Smiths loved getting together. Dorya is also at the table.

**Charity Welch** - November 26, 2021 at 03:47 PM

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“ She was a very loyal and faithful worker at Arlington-Lewin United Methodist Church. Her presence will be forever missed. We were friends over 60 years and there was never mean words spoken to each other. She was a flower plucked from God's Garden. Rest in peace my friend. May the Lord bless and keep her family close together.

Marian Beckwith



Marian Beckwith - November 23, 2021 at 09:41 PM

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“ , purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Nina Mae Turner.



, - November 22, 2021 at 09:29 PM

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“ Nina my girl wow the stories she would share with me about south baltimore. I will miss her much I'am so blessed to had shared time with her. Family I love yall sending our condolences and prayers. Love Tiffany & Cookie



Tiffany Barnes - November 22, 2021 at 07:11 PM



“ BEAUTIFUL SMITH FAMILY 3RD GENERATION COUSINS, NINA MAE AND TIFFANY,REST IN HEAVEN COUSIN NINA MAE WE LOVE YOU

Tiffany Barnes - November 22, 2021 at 10:39 PM

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“ My Big Sister and Long time Friend I will surely miss you as will your adopted grans Jailyn, Jordan ,Javon, Kennedy and Januairre

**Mgraciella Busch** - November 22, 2021 at 06:32 PM

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“ You are already missed beyond measure      You were the best mother-in-love on earth! I love you forever - Traci



**Traci Barnes** - November 20, 2021 at 06:50 PM

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“ Susie, Robin, Greg ,Paula, and Mike purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Nina Mae Turner.



**Susie, Robin, Greg ,Paula, and Mike** - November 20, 2021 at 01:33 PM

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“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always

**March Life Tribute Center (Randallstowwn** - November 19, 2021 at 01:59 PM



“ Rest in Heaven Nina Mae.

I will always remember her smile and warm hugs. Nina Mae was genuinely kind and willing to help those in need. She loved her family, including her extended family and she showed us with her kind gestures and sincerity. Dear cousin, you will be missed and I will forever cherish my memories of you.

Charity Welch

**Charity Welch** - November 26, 2021 at 12:30 PM



“ She was my Cousin. Her grandmother Lucretia Bunch was my father's Sister. We shared the same home together in South Baltimore. She was a seamstress and helped me improve on my sewing skills. She made my graduation gown when I graduated from Southern High School in 1957. She fought a good fight. " She did her work, she sang her song, she did some good, she did some wrong, Now she must go where she belongs the Lord has willed it so. He guides her steps. and He knows best, He will not harm where He has blest, and so good night she'll take her rest where sweet wild roses grow." RIP dear Cousin. You will forever be in my heart. Charlotte Conyer

**Charlotte Conyer** - November 27, 2021 at 10:16 PM