



Alma Lillian Kelson

April 2, 1938 - February 14, 2025

Alma Lillian Kelson, departed this life on Friday, February 14th. Alma Lillian Lewis was born on April 2, 1938 in Baltimore, MD. She was the daughter of the late Reverend Alma Lewis and James Lewis. She attended Baltimore City Public Schools. She was married to the late Maurice Kelson on July 9, 1958. She was the birth mother of 6 children, but raised many.

Over the years, Aunt Benny or Nana (as she was affectionally known) had many jobs. She worked as housekeeper, Poll Judge, an employee at Beta Bullett, and her longest job of 34 years, she worked at the Department of Social Services wearing many hats. Later in life, she received her GED at BCCC.

Alma Lewis was brought up in the church. She grew up a member of Gillis Memorial Community Church. When she traveled to Tennessee later in life, she became a member of St Paul Missionary Baptist Church, where she became the Treasure of The Women's Ministry.

In her free time, Nana enjoyed putting together 500-piece puzzle, cooking, playing Spades, playing 500, scratch offs, going to the casino, dancing, laughing, crotchet, sewing and watching her Westerns with John Wayne, but

most importantly spending time with her family. One thing everyone knew who was blessed with knowing Nana was that she was a truth teller. She didn't hold her tongue for anyone. She always spoke her mind. She was strong that way. A powerful woman. An inspiration.

Alma was preceded in death by her parents, Rev Alma and James Lewis, her son Vernon B Kelson Sr, her siblings James Lewis, Beulah Gaines, Thomas Lewis, Bettina Lewis, Carl Lewis, Mary Sample, Martha Lewis; a grandson Tedderick Childs . She is survived by her sister Ernestine Jackson; 5 children: Diane P Lewis, Fernando (Rickey) Lewis, Sabrina Elizabeth Kelson-Shaw (Kenneth Shaw), Pamela Childs (James Richardson) and Maurice Kelson Jr; 6 grandchildren (Damon, Tiffany, Vernon, Tunisha, Tashonda, and Chanel); 15 great grandkids, 3 great great grandkids, and a slew of niece, nephews, family, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Hill

5829 Ritchie Highway
Brooklyn, MD 21230

Previous Events

Wake

FEB 28. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home - West
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215

funeral

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Tribute Wall



“ *March Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Alma Lillian Kelson*



March Funeral Homes - February 26, 2025 at 03:05 PM

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“ *WILLIAM GARDNER lit a candle in memory of Alma Lillian Kelson*



WILLIAM GARDNER - March 01, 2025 at 03:53 PM

SS

Thanks so much

Sabrina Shaw - March 02, 2025 at 11:15 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Alma Lillian Kelson.*



February 28, 2025 at 05:09 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Alma Lillian Kelson.

February 28, 2025 at 05:09 AM



“ Ricky, Roland & I are sending our deepest and heartfelt sympathies for the loss of your mom. May the love and memories you shared with your mom bring you comfort. We're going to miss her.

Kim & Roland Williams - February 22, 2025 at 04:41 PM



“ Michelle Duvall lit a candle in memory of Alma Lillian Kelson



Michelle Duvall - February 19, 2025 at 04:52 PM



“ Keeping you and your family in my prayers with the passing of your love one.

Michelle Duvall - February 19, 2025 at 04:52 PM



“ 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 Funeral Homes - February 18, 2025 at 03:33 PM