



## Anita Sterrette

September 14, 1932 - June 24, 2007

Anita Marie Sterrette (nee Hackett) was born September 14, 1932 in Baltimore, Maryland; the first of seventeen children of the late Weems and Marie (nee Blair) Hackett. She departed this life June 24, 2007 after a long illness. Anita attended St. Peter Claver School, St. Pius School, and graduated from Frederick Douglass High School (evening program). She worked at various jobs before starting her own business. She was married to the late Devereaux L. Sterrette, a union from which two sons, Devereaux and Dorian, were born. Anita was blessed with a deep love of her family and humanity in general. After the death of her parents in 1950, she, with her sisters Gloria (deceased) and Dolores, assumed the responsibility of caring for her siblings, soon after gaining her independence. Anita was known as a gourmet cook. She welcomed people from all walks of life into her home by hosting with her husband many social and political functions, always providing delicious and sumptuous food. She also prepared and donated many delicious foods for the St. Cecilia's soup kitchen. Anita was in the forefront of the woman's movement when she became the first woman in Maryland to start her own construction firm, S.H.E.D. Enterprises in 1970, which later became Anita Painting, where she hired and trained female painters. Her goal was to open new fields of work to woman. She became the first female member of the Minority Contractors Association. Anita was very involved in politics. She ran to serve as a Delegate from Maryland at the Constitution Convention. She also volunteered her time for many local political campaigns, such as

Congressman Parren Mitchell, State Senator Clarence Mitchell, III, Senator Paul Sarbanes, Frances Burch and Senator Joseph Tydings, and many others. Anita dedicated her life to humanitarian causes by being a part of the following organizations and holding several offices: NAACP; Maryland State Foster Parents Association; The Peoples Democratic Action Organization; The Urban League; National Organization of Women; Hanlon Park Association; Citizens Planning and Housing Association; Woman Power; Retail Clerks Local 692; President, The Expeditors Neighborhood Club; President, Forest Park Improvement Association; Chairman Public Relations, Baltimore Fellowship, Incorporated; Vice-Chairman, Precinct Committee, Fifth Districts Reformed Democrats; Precinct Captain, Working for Liberal Candidates; City County Democratic Association; League of Women Voters; Provident Hospital Auxiliary; Child-Study Association of Baltimore; Dickey Hill Elementary School Parent-Teachers Association; Maryland Food Committee; and B.U.I.L.D. Anita leaves to mourn her passing, two sons, Devereaux E. and Dorian A. Sterrette of Baltimore, Maryland; four sisters, Dolores Bowles and Carmelita B. Hackett of Baltimore, Maryland, Imelda Hackett Felton of Washington, D.C. , and June Richey of Seattle, Washington; one grandson, Devereaux N. Sterrette; three foster daughters, Sherri Christopher of Baltimore, Maryland, Benita Griggs of Kansas City, Kansas, Angela Hudgins of California, one daughter-in-law, Dawana Merritt Sterrette of Baltimore, Maryland; two sisters- in-law, Toni Hackett of Owings Mills, Maryland and Cato Hackett of The Netherlands; one brother-in-law, Eugene Jordon; a fiancé of her son Dorian, Angela Sherrill; and a host of nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, great-great nieces and nephews, cousins and other relatives and devoted friends.

# Tribute Wall



“ Anita Sterrette

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“ My deepest sympathy during your time of sorrow but know that the God of comfort is with you all during this time of tribulation. (2Corinthian 1:3-4) Due to the many unforeseen occurrences that brings tragedy to our lives Jehovah God promises one day soon Death will be no more (Rev 21:3-4) and his son have been given the authority to bring all those in the memorial tombs back to life. John 5:28-29 Just think there will come a time not only will death be no more but Jehovah promises that no one will have to say I'm sick according to Isaiah 33:24. I feel the need to express these words of hope because so many of us today treasure the gift of life and we do all we can to maintain it to hold on to it. That is why it hurts so badly when our loved ones die. With so many of us desiring life today no matter how good or bad it is we still want life here on earth. No one looks forward to that time of death. That is why I am under obligation by the spirit and love of God to share that hope that is in our near future that the righteous shall inherit the earth and reside upon it forever according to Psalms 37: 29 along with the above stated promises on a paradise and peaceful earth. We all can hold true to this everlasting promise because Isaiah 55:11 states all the words Jehovah have spoken WILL NOT RETURN WITHOUT RESULTS. What a wonderful prospect for our future especially enlight of the fact that Hebrews 6:18 States of God, it is IMPOSSIBLE for him to lie.##imported-begin##Carter##imported-end##

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“ Hello ! Sterrette's ! May I take this opportunity to express my condolences to u all the family and friends. When death strike it breaks the family circle. Ms. Anita was 75 when she died, the bible says that some would lived to 70 years, others 80 years because of special mightness. Our heavnly father knows how you all are feeling and cares about you all and is the God of all comfort as 2 Cor. 1:3 says. May we all look to the future when for all the promises in the bible coming true. Peace be with you all. Sincerely,  
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“ To the family and friends: Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. I too have lost loved ones in death. Even though we know that death is inevitable, it is still difficult to accept. God's original purpose was not for us to ever die. The thought of death is heartwrenching to us and it always will be because Jehovah God has created within us the keen desire to live forever. We never get used to death. We feel deep down in our hearts that this should not happen because, “Even time indefinite he (God) has put in their heart,” says Ecclesiastes 3:11. One of the wonderful parts of his plan is the hope of the resurrection of dead loved ones. (John 5:25, 28, 29). Just imagine our loved one coming back to life in the most beautiful earthly paradise you could ever imagine! Wouldn't it be wonderful to greet them, tears of joy running down your faces and knowing that you will never lose them in death again. Please be assured that Jehovah God loves us and wants the best for us. Take comfort in the promise that he has given us at (Rev. 21: 3-5) of a new earth where there will be no more death. These promises have brought comfort to millions. I wish the same for you.##imported-begin##Senita Swann##imported-end##

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“ Please accept my heartfelt condolences for your loss. When our loved ones die, it's so hard to believe that they are really gone, and we can't see them or talk to them any longer. It's something we can never get used to no matter how many times it happens. Our heavenly father knows first hand the pain we experience, because at great cost to himself; he lost his precious son for 3 days, and because of this he is sympathetic and compassionate towards all of us when we lose a loved one. One day he promises to put an end to this tragedy that causes us so much pain. 1st Corinthians 15,26 promises, "As the last enemy, death will be brought to nothing." Then Jesus promises us at John 5,25, "Most truly I say to you, The hour is coming, and it is now, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God and those who have given heed will live", because Jehovah God has given him authority to bring the dead back to life. John 5,26 says, "For just as the father has life in himself, so he has granted also to the Son to have life in himself; And he has given him power to do judging, because Son of man he is. Verse 28,29 says, "Donot marvel at this, because the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out, those who did good things to a ressurection of life." So one day your loved one will hear Jesus voice, and she will come back to life. May those thoughts comfort you, as well as your cherished memories of Anita.##imported-begin##R Johnson##imported-end##

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“ My sincere condolences to the family of Mrs. Sterrett. It is so unfair that death should have the power to take away someone we love. Although the death of a loved one can be a painful experience, there is a strong hope for the future. At John 5:28,29, Jesus spoke about the time when "all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out." Yes, the Bible speaks about a resurrection of the dead. What a wonderful time that will be!!!##imported-begin##Vanessa Adams##imported-end##

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