



Anna Curry

July 19, 1933 - March 19, 2017

Anna A. Curry (nee as Anna Louise Anthony), daughter of Alfonso Anthony and Clara Anthony was born July 19, 1933 in Baltimore, Maryland. She departed this life on March 19, 2017, after a lengthy illness.

Anna married Thomas R. Curry in 1963. From this union, they were blessed with their daughter, Antonia.

Anna was a graduate of Dunbar High School and worked as a nurse's aide at Johns Hopkins Hospital while she completed her undergraduate studies. She eventually earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from Morgan State College, a Master of Library Science from Atlanta University, and an honorary Doctor of Philosophy degree from Goucher College.

After, graduating from Morgan, Anna was hired at the Enoch Pratt Free Library. She rose from a paraprofessional, to a Chief Librarian, to a Regional Manager, to an Assistant Director, and in 1981 was appointed the first female and first African American Director of the Enoch Pratt Free Library. After dedicating over 30 years of service to the Enoch Pratt Free Library System, she retired in 1991.

Following her retirement, Anna remained passionate about her love for books and reading. Anna and her sister, Clara, owned Sepia Sand and Sable Books,

for over 13 years. The bookstore featured, among other genres, books on African American history and fiction.

Anna was a faithful member of Unity Christian Center and a previous member of Emmarts United Methodist Church and Heritage United Church of Christ.

Anna is survived by daughter, Antonia Powell; sister Clara Anthony; granddaughters, Crystal Powell and Diamond Powell; great grandson, Jaleel Williams, and a host of other family members and friends.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Cemetery

2130 Woodlawn Drive
Baltimore, MD 21207

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR 8. 2:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
(410) 542-2400
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Tribute Wall



“ Anna Curry

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ I had the pleasure of knowing and working for Anna Curry for several years. She was very professional and dedicated to the Pratt Library. May God keep the family during this period of sorrow. Hold tight to your memories. Rest in Peace Anna or AC as I called her.

Eleanor Brown

Eleanor Brown - April 06, 2017 at 11:36 AM



“ In the spring of 1990, Anna Curry opened the doors of the Pratt (Central) library to a groundbreaking five-year portrait exhibition series of African-American women who had made a difference in Baltimore. Even though she was not included in the initial exhibit, she did everything in her power to make sure that the program was a success. Because of her generosity, the Pratt library became the place for community organizations to hold functions. During this exhibit series, the Wheeler Auditorium and other parts of the library were renovated, which made it more inviting to clubs and organizations to hold functions, a tradition that continues today. When she flashed her trade mark smile, you knew you were welcome. May you rest in peace...and may the work that you have done, speak for you.

Darryl Carter - March 31, 2017 at 11:53 AM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Anna Curry.*



March 30, 2017 at 03:13 PM



“ *I began my professional career as a librarian at EPFL in October 1974, and stayed at Pratt for 10 years. Anna Curry was one of "those women" who had power, style and intelligence. She was an inspiration to a very young librarian who did not know how little she knew. I am grateful to have begun my career at Pratt.*
Dolores Maminski

Dolores Maminski - March 29, 2017 at 07:10 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 - March 27, 2017 at 02:56 PM