



## Azalee Small

July 14, 1950 - May 1, 2021

Azalee Small, was affectionately known as “Niecy” by family and friends. She was the daughter of the late Horace Tanner Sr, and the late Eva Tanner. Niecy was born on July 14, 1950 in Baltimore, Maryland. She departed this life on May 1, 2021 after a short illness.

Azalee received her education in the Baltimore City Public Schools. She later met and married Ezell Alonzo Small, and from this union two sons were born, Stacey and Antonio.

Azalee’s employment history included several jobs working through a temporary employment agency. However, she especially enjoyed working as a Crossing Guard with the Baltimore City Department of Transportation. Whenever Niecy started a new job as a Crossing Guard, she would get on the computer and put in the name of the new school, in order to find out how to get there. Then she would go to the new location a day or two before her start date. That’s what she called a “Drive by.” Niecy did not believe in being late for work!

Azalee enjoyed playing games on the computer. For that reason she gained valuable experience in operating a computer.

Azalee Small was preceded in death by her husband, Ezell Alonzo Small; one

brother, Horace Tanner Jr; and two brothers-in-law, Edward Dungee and Gordon Massey.

She leaves to cherish fond memories: two brothers, Corlester Tannerm (Lillian); Floyd Tanner (Patricia); five sisters, Marie Dungee, Ellen Tanner, Barbara Massey, Lorraine Tanner and Denise (Worley) Norman; one brother-in-law, James Robert Small; One Sister-in-law Cynthia Braxton-Finch, Two Daughter-in-law Nastassia and Tiesha Small; six grandchildren, Destiny, Tireek, Armonie, Amiara, Malia and Avrianna; one great-grandson, Sebastian; and a host of relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## King Memorial Park Cemetery - Grand Heritage Chapel & Mausoleum

8710 Dogwood Rd.  
Baltimore, MD 21244  
(410) 944-8300  
info@kingmemorialpark.com  
<https://www.KingMemorialPark.com>

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

**MAY 21.** 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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

## Wake

**MAY 22.** 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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## Service

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MAY **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *March Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Azalee Small*



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**March Funeral Homes** - May 20, 2021 at 12:26 PM



“ *Azalee Small*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Sending my sincere condolences and prayers to the family.  
~ Elder Cheryl Hair, VMI*

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**Cheryl Hair** - May 22, 2021 at 09:24 AM



“ *Come and celebrate the life of Azalee Small better known as Niecy my mother*

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**Stacey Small** - May 18, 2021 at 07:16 AM



*I'm going to miss Aunt Niecy so much. Stacey, if there's anything I can do, I am here for you.  
Love Pooh.*

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**Danese Johnson** - May 19, 2021 at 01:59 PM

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“ Hello Family, this is cousin Lee Owens, now live in Farmville Virginia, was very sadden to hear that cousin Niecy had passed. Great family times in Virginia and Baltimore, now she is at peace, at rest and with the family that have passed on to be with the Lord. I will not be attending the funeral. My love to all of you. God Bless!

Cousin, Lee J Owens  
(leeowens18@yahoo.com)

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**Lee j Owens** - May 17, 2021 at 08:38 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.

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**March Funeral Homes** - May 17, 2021 at 11:36 AM