



## Deborah Alford

April 8, 1956 - May 26, 2022

DEBORAH DENISE ALFORD, daughter of the late Dozier and Wilma Alford, was born on April 8, 1956 in Baltimore, MD. She quietly entered into eternal rest on May 26, 2022.

Deborah received her education in Baltimore City Public Schools, graduating from Lake Clifton Senior High School, class of 1974. Upon graduation from high school and completing college coursework, she became employed with Baltimore Gas & Electric Company. Debora retired from Baltimore Gas & Electric after over 20 years of service. Deborah was also a makeup consultant for Mary Kay for many years. -

At an early age Deborah gave her life to Christ and she was baptized at Mount Olive Baptist Church. Deborah met and married Billy Gene Drake and from this union two children were born. Deborah loved reading daily scriptures and prayer with her two sisters, spending time with family, makeup, shopping (especially for high heel shoes & fashionable clothing), bowling, gardening, and listening to gospel, jazz, and R & B music.

Deborah was preceded in death by her parents, Dozier B. Alford and Wilma Alford, her two brothers Melvin & Elvis Alford, and her sister Doreen Alford. Deborah leaves to cherish her memory: her two children Brandon Drake

(Treva) of Phoenix, AZ, and Taryn Drake Crawl (Randy) of Chesterfield, VA, and her two grandchildren, Jacory Drake and Nala Crawley, one sister, Sandra Kelly (Lestrae) of Baltimore, MD; and a host of nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## King Memorial Park

8710 Dogwood Road  
Baltimore, MD 21244

# Previous Events

## Wake

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

March Funeral Home - East  
1101 E. North Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21202

## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Deborah Alford, Please Click the Link below.



March Funeral Homes - June 09, 2022 at 03:37 PM



“ Deborah Alford

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ My deepest sympathy to the family and to Sis. Kelly my dear church member. Asking God to comfort the children and sister and all relatives and friends. Praying as I am currently grieving my mother as well.



Chello Pitts - June 15, 2022 at 04:48 PM



“ Aunt Deborah you taught me how to be lady. You showed me grace while still not letting anyone take advantage of you. You taught me how to be lady, how to hold it down and I'm forever grateful to have had you in my life. You and my mother dance on together! Til we meet again!

Danielle - June 11, 2022 at 02:20 PM

JH

“ My Little Debbie, I so fondly called our dear friend. She was small but she is definitely gonna be heard! I love her and miss her so so much. We loved her spirit, her jokes and of course she was a diva! Talked to her a few weeks ago and we talked for a while, confessing our sisterhood and how we would see each other soon. Didn't know it would be the last time I would hear her voice. Whenever we got together we always embraced each other! Although we weren't from Richmond, we had our own circle of friends, we called our own family in Virginia - Althea, Trina, Marie and many others. Until we see each other again little Debbie, keep smiling because your pain is gone, your heart has been replaced and GOD always had you! Much Love...your circle ❤️



Jacqueline Howell - June 11, 2022 at 12:56 PM

BB

“ Dearest Deborah, may you rest peacefully in the arms of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. You were always a beautiful and kind person. I will remember your smile and kindness. To the family I extend my deepest condolences to all of you.  
Sincerely In Christ Love, Bernadette.  
Lake Clifton High School, Class of 1974. #laker4life



Bernadette Fowlkes Bridges - June 11, 2022 at 09:59 AM

RG

“ Deborah and I were very close friends. We attended the same high school, same place of work. She was in my wedding. Deborah, rest in peace. You will surely be missed. 🙏🙏 Roz

Roz Gaskins - June 10, 2022 at 10:14 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** - June 09, 2022 at 08:43 AM