



## Delores C. Powell

July 26, 1930 - December 26, 2017

On the morning of Tuesday, December 26, 2017 God in a still small voice called home Delores Cost ello Bates Powell to rest in the arms of Jesus. Delores was born on July 23, 1930 in Baltimore to the late Clarence and Mary (Banks) Bates. Delores was educated in the Baltimore City Public Schools and attended Paul Laurence Dunbar High School. Her knowledge and breath of education allowed her to speak, debate, and discuss almost any subject. She loved to talk about and discuss science, archaeology, and the mysteries of the Bible.

She was united in matrimony on May 29, 1948 to Thomas Powell who preceded her in death in 2005. Her children Antionette, the late Adrienne, Valerie, Yvonne, Arthur, Stephanie, and Mary admired, adored, and honored her all the days of her life.

She knew Jesus as her Lord and Savior and was a devout member of the Historic St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church. She served her church as a member

of the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Delores previously worked for the Community Action Agency as a community activist, a VISTA Volunteer, and on the USS Comfort Ship. She retired from Beacon Press where she worked as

a printer and proof reader. After retirement she served as a class grandmother at the Harlem Park Elementary/Middle School alongside her oldest daughter, Antionette Myles.

Affectionately called “Mama” by all, she was an encouragement to her family, friends, church, and community. She believed in the power of the community to transform lives. Mama instilled a love of learning and education within her family. She made sure that her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren understood the legacy of excellence that she herself learned from her parents. She was known as a “sharp” dresser. Joy exudes from her pictures! As we celebrate her life today, we thank God for her eighty-seven years of life and love. It is our hope that the legacy that she leaves of faith, love, and family will continue to grow and overflow into all of our endeavors. Her family is comforted by the fact that she is in heaven watching and loving us still! She was preceded in death by her husband Thomas Powell, her sisters Dorothy Jones, Ellen Moss, Mary Bates, her grandson Ray Daniel Johnson, her great grandson Adrian Lee and her beloved daughter Adrienne Powell. She leaves to cherish her memory: her children Antionette Myles (Jerry), Valerie Powell, Yvonne Walker, Thomas Powell, Stephanie Powell, and Mary Keene. Her grandchildren, Arnetta Powell-Wade, Leroy Bryant, Valvia Saunders, Dionne Walker, Natalie Johnson, Reginald McTeer, Bruce Harrington, and Nikkia Powell. Her great grandchildren Tyrone Raines, James Saunders, Anita Wade, Demetrius Saunders, Dominique Saunders, Kamrien Bryant, Nicole Bryant, Tony Bryant, Brandon Bryant, Shakyra Smith, Ja’Liyah Smith, Nicholas Smith, Charles Smith, Kyndel Smith, Corey Smith. Her siblings Clarence “Bantu” Bates (Debbie), Leroy Bates (Mary) and Shirley Kimbrough. In addition she leaves a large extended family of great-great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

# Cemetery Details

**Garden of Faith Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Public Viewing

JAN 2. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore  
1101 East North Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21202  
(410) 727-3300  
info@marchfh.com

### Wake

JAN 3. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Garden Of Faith  
Baltimore, MD

### Service

JAN 3. 10:30 AM (ET)

Garden Of Faith  
Baltimore, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *Delores C. Powell*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *God is still awesome and He cares just for you! Praying God's strength and peace during this time of bereavement for your mom: Sis. Mary , Min. Powell, and family. We the Pastor and members of Greater Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church/Visitation Ministry do love and give sympathy. God is still able to do... Amen. Blessings, Min. Cheeks.*

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**Min. Cheeks** - January 03, 2018 at 02:11 PM



“ *Ms. Delores always greeted people with a smile at the 8:00 A.M. Mass at Historic, St. Francis Xavier Church. Her smile and her presence will be surely missed.*

*Dr. Kirk & Mrs. Crystalyn Gaddy*

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**Kirk Gaddy** - January 02, 2018 at 04:45 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** - January 02, 2018 at 02:46 PM