



## Denise Marie Braxton

March 1, 1960 - August 4, 2013

Denise Marie Braxton was born on March 1, 1960 to Elnora Braxton and the late Hezekiah Braxton, Jr. in Richmond, Virginia. She was preceded in death by her brother Ethan, paternal grandparents, Herekiah and Hortense Braxton, maternal grandmother, Sue Conley, and paternal great grandmother, Elsie Saltus. She departed this life on August 4, 2013 at St. Mary's Hospital.

Denise was a graduate of John F. Kennedy High School and a member of 31st Street Baptist Church. Prior to her illness, she was employed with the Richmond Metropolitan Authority, Southland Corporation and the Neighborhood Child Development Center.

Family and friends knew Denise as a kind, generous, compassionate person who was extremely knowledgeable and feisty. She was always available to help others without hesitation. Denise enjoyed spending time with her daughter, Felicia and granddaughter, Jaily, in Colorado Springs, Colorado. She adored them and they were her world. To Jaily, Denise was Gancy. Denise had a special place in her heart for her nieces; Tash, Pearl, and Tiffany and loved being around children.

She leaves to cherish her memory a devoted daughter; Felicia Benjamin, a granddaughter, Jaily Benjamin, mother Elnora Braxton, stepmother Dr.

Beverly Cleveland, two brothers; Dr. Hezekiah Braxton, III and Clifton Braxton, two sisters, Minister Susan Mayo and Shawn Braxton-Smith (Michael), devoted aunts; Carolyn (Auntee) Johnson, Sandra (Aunt Sand) Kenny, Lucretia (Cookie) Braxton and Michelle Henderson, a special friend Sandra Benjamin, nieces, nephews and a host of uncles, aunts, cousins and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road  
Richmond, VA 23223

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

AUG 7. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Family Hour

AUG 7. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

AUG 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Denise Marie Braxton*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Mom, no one every prepares you for this. There's not a day that doesn't hurt. Sometimes I smile when I'm thinking of how you taught me to be strong. Jai reminds me of something's you used to do. Nobody told me that no one would ever love me like you did. Although this little girl is really trying. Thank you for what you taught us and for leaving a piece of you behind. Mommy I love you!!  
August 2015*

*Fee*

**Felicia** - August 14, 2015 at 11:33 PM



“ *To Felicia and your baby girl take comfort in knowing that your mother loved you both dearly she never stopped talking about the grandbaby and showing all those pictures of her. I will miss her and I know you do. Praying for you all.  
Kim Hamilton*

**Kim** - November 11, 2013 at 01:23 PM



“ *I miss you so much! I didnt get a chance to hug you or say goodbye....but I did tell you that I loved you the last time we spoke. WOW!!! I miss you soooooo much!!!*

*Fee*

**Felicia** - September 05, 2013 at 01:49 PM

FE

“ *Felicia lit a candle in memory of Denise Marie Braxton*



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**Felicia** - September 05, 2013 at 12:42 AM

RJ

“ *To the Braxton family. You all are in my prayers. Although I did not get a chance to meet Denise, I do know and love her brother Dr. Hezekiah Braxton from Blacks In Government. My heart goes out to the Braxton family. And remember that although your sister has walked through the valley of the shadow of death – her spirit remains – to comfort each of you. I hope you take comfort in knowing that she lives within the hearts and minds of her each one of her family members and her friends. And has received her everlasting peace in heaven. Know that God will take you through – Know that God is your strength.*

*Rev. Barbara Johnson-Cox  
BIG Region XI*

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**Rev. Barbara Johnson-Cox** - August 12, 2013 at 02:52 PM

MS

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss and would like to offer my condolences to your family. Death is such a terrible thing for a family to go through, I actually lost my mom about 4yrs ago. I'm truly grateful that I have the truth about death and look forward to the future when there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous.”— ACTS 24:15. I'm sure you would love to see your dead loved one again in the coming Paradise here on earth! Again so sorry for your loss!!*

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**Ms Springer** - August 09, 2013 at 05:55 AM

FE

*Thank you for your kind words. ~Felicia B.*

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**Felicia** - March 15, 2016 at 02:36 AM

SE

“ *Many of us in Blacks In Government Region XI have had the pleasure of meeting Braxton family members at Dr. Hezekiah Braxton's home that he has always very generously opened up to us. You are family to us and we mourn here with you. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and I pray that you will find comfort in your fondest memories of your dear Denise. If there is any thing that we can do to assist during this difficult time, please let us know. We are here for you.*

*Shirley A. Jones, Esq.  
Region XI Council President*

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**Shirley A. Jones, Esq.** - August 08, 2013 at 10:58 AM

BS

“ *My sincerest condolences to the family of Denise Marie Braxton. May God continue to bless you and hold you in the palm of his hands.*

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**Bible Student** - August 08, 2013 at 08:47 AM

EC

“ My deepest condolences to the Braxton family on the homegoing of Denise Marie to Heaven. Be encouraged, at peace, full of joy, and rejoice in knowing that she now resides with the Lord and has received her crown of righteousness and her robe of glory...hallelujah! His Presence will always be with you and may mercy, peace and love be yours in abundance. The eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms – Deuteronomy 33:27.



*Ethel Leonara Crisp  
New Kemet Harambe Chapter Parliamentarian  
Chair, National Resolutions Committee, NDA*

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**Ethel Leonara Crisp** - August 08, 2013 at 08:28 AM

DG

“ On the behalf of the GAO-USACE Chapter of BIG, I wish the Braxton family peace during this difficult time. With deepest sympathies, Danielle T. Giese, Chapter President

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**Danielle Giese** - August 08, 2013 at 08:14 AM

GB

“ Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can not heal. My deepest sympathy goes out to the Braxton Family, and may they be comforted. Minister Dr. Gwen Bridgett (BIGDOL Regional Rep)

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**Gwendolyn J. Bridgett** - August 08, 2013 at 06:18 AM

DG

*On behalf of the U.S. Department of Education Chapter of Blacks In Government (BIG), in sympathy with our dear friend, Dr. Hezekial Braxton, our condolences go to the entire Braxton family, as you grieve the loss of your beloved Denise Marie Braxton. Our prayers are extended to you along with our hopes for the healing powers of time, at this, one of your greatest hours of need. May God be with each of you.*

*Sincerely,*

*Wanda E. Gill, Ed.D., President  
U.S. Department of Education Chapter of BIG*

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**Dr. Wanda E. Gill** - August 08, 2013 at 06:28 AM

IC

“ *My deepest sympathy goes out to the Braxton Family. May God bless you.*

*Iris Marie Crenshaw  
President, BIG IRS Chisholm Hughes Chapter*

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**Iris Marie Crenshaw** - August 08, 2013 at 02:07 AM

SH

“ *To the family, stay stonge and support each other. This is the time for family so be close and kept her memory alive. You all are in my prays. Blessing to all.*

*Shirley A. Horton  
President, Milwaukee Chapter  
Past Chair of National Election Committee*

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**Shirley A. Horton** - August 07, 2013 at 08:08 PM



WL

“ Sincere sympathy for your loss.

*Willis Lewis  
IRS Chisholm-Hughes*

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**Willis Lewis** - August 07, 2013 at 07:27 PM

DR

“ To the Braxton family my thought and prayers are with you during this of sorrow. May god to continue to watch over you.

*Diane Redmond*

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**Diane Redmond** - August 07, 2013 at 04:03 PM

CE

“ May God provide comfort to the Braxton family while they mourn the loss of their dear family member. You are in my prayers.

*Chaun Eason  
Dept of Education  
BIG member*



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**chaun eason** - August 07, 2013 at 03:33 PM

PH

“ Please accept my deepest sympathy during your time of bereavement. I know your family member will be missed. Peace and blessings.

*Patricia Harrison-Evans*

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**Patricia Harrison-Evans** - August 07, 2013 at 03:12 PM

ID

“ My deepest condolences go out to the Braxton family in this time of grief. I light this candle in hopes of easing your journey in this time of sorry.



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**Iris Daniels** - August 07, 2013 at 03:01 PM

MP

“ I will keep the Braxton Family in my prayers. You have my deepest condolences during this difficult time. If you need anything, please don't hesitate to call.



*Marie Perry*  
*RXI Recording Secretary*  
*Blacks In Government*

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**Marie Perry** - August 07, 2013 at 03:01 PM

DL

“ To the Braxton Family, on behalf of the NRC Chapter of Blacks In Government, we send our deepest condolences on the passing of your loved one. It is our prayer that God will be with you all through your season of bereavement.

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**Dr. Haile K. Lindsay** - August 07, 2013 at 02:44 PM

SP

“ God bless you and your family. - Ponds Family, Auburn Alabama



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**Sonya Ponds** - August 07, 2013 at 02:43 PM

BS

“ My condolences goes out to the family of Denise Braxton .I went to school with Denise over thirty years ago.God Bless Denise and all of her family. Shes resting now. I will pray for you all.



Barbara Smith - August 07, 2013 at 01:52 PM

BS

“ My sincerest condolences to the family of Denise Marie Braxton. Death is such an unnatural concept to grasp and when one so young is taken away, it is especially difficult. However, God has promised at Revelation 21:4 "And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away." We also have the hope of the resurrection at John 5: 28, 29 which reads "Do not 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 resurrection of life, those who practiced vile things to a resurrection of judgment." Again, I am sincerely sorry for your loss.

Bible Stident - August 06, 2013 at 07:47 AM



“ 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 - August 05, 2013 at 02:01 PM

SU

*To the Braxton Family, you have my deepest and heartfelt condolences in the passing of your loved one. My family and I will keep you in prayer during your time of bereavement.*

*Susan Mixon  
HHS/College Park Chapter  
Region XI*

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**Susan** - August 07, 2013 at 10:10 PM

CP

*To the Braxton Family, "May God be the source of strength and comfort to you and your family ."*

*The Pratt family wishes to extend our deepest sympathy to your family during your time of bereavement and will keep you lifted up in prayer.*

*Crystal Pratt  
NOAA BIG/ RXIC*

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**Crystal Pratt** - August 08, 2013 at 06:30 AM