



Dora R. Royster

September 27, 1930 - December 20, 2017

DORA ROYSTER, daughter of the late Betsy and Kennard Smith, Sr., was born on September 27, 1930, in Baltimore City, Maryland. On a silent night, Dora stole away to be with the Lord, on December 20, 2017. Dora was married to Thomas Ellis Royster, Sr. for over 55 years.

Dora received her education from the Baltimore City Public School System. She also studied and applied her trade as seamstress, at Raleigh Clothing Manufacturing for many years.

Dora later pursued a long time career with the federal government at the Social Security Administration, in the Redetermination Department, whereby she successfully retired. Since her retirement, she made the best of living a long and successful life, until her recent transition to be with the Lord.

Dora developed a bucket list before she retired, and fulfilled each wish with the Lord's blessings. She traveled throughout the world, visiting Australia, Hong Kong, Virgin Islands and many other countless places. Her biggest wish was granted when she traveled to the Holy City of Jerusalem in a spiritual quest and yearning to be where Jesus was born. Dora also enjoyed playing the piano, dancing and exercising with her Wi-system. She also enjoyed hosting Christmas parties in her home. She was a very strong, opinionated woman, with very strong morals and character. She was also a great

conversationalist and debater to anyone who would take her on.

Dora served as a faithful and devoted member at The Mount Moriah Baptist Church in Baltimore City since her young adulthood, and until the time of her passing. She participated in many activities and ministries, singing in the choir and ushering. She always gave a helping hand to anyone in need.

Doll leaves a legacy of love to: her husband, Thomas; loving stepson, Thomas Royster, Jr.; two lovely granddaughters, Sharlene and Sherry; a brother, Kennard Smith, Jr. and his wife Rose; and host of nieces and nephews from her biological line. From the matrimony with her husband's family tree, she leaves to mourn her sisters-in-law, Lorell Shaw, Earlene Cherry and Helen Royster; a very close niece, Valerie Shaw, and a host of other nieces and nephews, who lovingly called her " Aunt Doll"; two granddaughters, Bernadette Royster and Tiara Smith; as well as a host of relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road
Owings Mills, MD

Previous Events

Public Viewing

DEC 28. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
(410) 542-2400
info@marchfh.com

Family Hour

DEC 28. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

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4300 Wabash Avenue
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Wake

DEC **29**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Mt. Moriah Baptist
2201 Garrison Blvd
Balto., MD 21215

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dora R. Royster*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Dear Thomas*

I am sorry I am unable to be there for Doll's Home Going Celebration. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

I'm so happy that I was able to meet your beautiful wife. I will miss our telephone visits. These visits will now be a sweet memory I will cherish forever.

May God Bless you with the strength you need. God's mercy is always with you. You are never alone.

Love your niece Claudia

Claudia Davis - December 29, 2017 at 08:39 AM



“ *New Hope Community Fellowship Church purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Dora R. Royster.*



New Hope Community Fellowship Church - December 27, 2017 at 02:24 PM

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“ *My condolences to the Royster family in these difficult moments. Please remember that God can comfort us. So draw close to God in prayer so He can draw close to you to comfort you and to give you that peace of God that surpasses all understanding (James 4:8; Philippians 4:6;7)*

Shelley Dupree - December 22, 2017 at 02:38 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.*

March Funeral Homes - December 21, 2017 at 08:04 AM