



## Edith Helena Barfield

March 16, 1946 - December 6, 2018

Barfield, Edith Helena, 72, of Richmond, a dedicated secretary of Bethlehem Baptist Church for over 40 years, departed this life Thursday, December 6, 2018. She was preceded in death by her husband, Deacon Howard Barfield; parents, Catherine and Albert Jones; brothers, Rudolph Jones and Edward Johnson. She leaves to cherish her memory a loving and devoted son, Elton Barfield; sisters, Marie and Vanessa Jones; brothers, Dan, Albert Jr. and Willard Jones; and a host of other family members and friends. Remains rest at March Funeral Home, 2110 E. Laburnum Ave., where viewing will be held 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, December 12. Celebration of Life service 11 a.m. Thursday, December 13, 2018, at Bethlehem Baptist Church, 1920 Fairmount Ave. Interment Oakwood Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road  
Richmond, VA 23223

# Previous Events

## viewing

DEC 12. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Service

DEC 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethlehem Baptist Church  
1920 Fairmount Ave  
Richmond, VA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Edith Helena Barfield*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *This here hurts Mrs. Barfield was one of not my favorite teachers but favorite persons i was in her 4th period class at Albert Hill in 84 i would go to sleep everyday after lunch and she would wake me up and we would talk about each the rest of the class lol. I seen her after i graduated with Ms. P. Winston and we picked up where we left off at Lord knows she stayed on my mind but i know God do not make mistakes but this is a tough one here. S.I.P . heaven just got a hilarious one this time*

David Jones - March 15, 2019 at 12:40 AM



“ *The Jones family and my family were neighbors when we moved to Richmond in the mid 60's. We went to Bethlehem Baptist together and we went to Armstrong High School together. Our paths crossed again at Albert Hill in the late '80's. She was an extraordinary neighbor, church secretary and teacher. I pray God's comfort to Elton and her siblings, Keeping you in prayer, Mary Douglas Branch*

Mary D. Branch - December 13, 2018 at 10:08 PM

LG

“ *Larry D. Giles lit a candle in memory of Edith Helena Barfield*



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**Larry D. Giles** - December 12, 2018 at 06:13 AM

LG

“ *I taught English next door to Edith for about ten years in the 80's and 90's. She was the dearest friend one could ever wish to have-- always calm, kind, and full of smiles and wonderful words to say. But she was not one-dimensional, she was playful and amusing as well, never allowing you to take yourself too seriously, as she always seemed to be able to find purpose and meaning in all things. She accepted all people as individuals, finding good in all. I would say we were birds of a feather that Providence had placed side-by-side, always able to find something valuable even in difficulty. Her influence with her students was amazing. It was clear they loved her as much as I did, as they placed themselves at her desks like flowers desiring water. She gave it from her ample reserves and deep, rich wells.*

*We remained friends throughout her life, communicating by phone rather often when I went to work at another location. She was a true heroine who rose to the challenge of her health, remaining bright and hopeful. I would say Edith was a kind of "living water," the very best and finest of all things lovely, bright and magnificent. As magnificent as the many words I think we gave to our students, always with understanding and a love that life, despite its shadows, had blessed us with. I love you, Edith, and you will always be with me, my dear, true, eternal friend.*

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**Larry D. Giles** - December 12, 2018 at 06:09 AM

DO

“ *To the Barfield Family,  
I send my sincerest condolences to you. I had the pleasure of  
having Mrs. Barfield as my homeroom and English teacher at Hill.  
Her dedication to teaching and her students will forever be in my  
heart and I'm sure others.*

*There are no words to ease the pain of your loss, but please know  
that many of us share in your grief. May you find comfort in her life  
and love.*

*Warmest regards,  
Donna White*

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**Donna** - December 11, 2018 at 02:48 PM

AN

“ *Elton my heart goes out to you, am praying for you. Your mother  
has been a true blessing to my family she will always keep it real  
and tell you the truth whether you want to hear it or not. I will truly  
miss here making me laugh and her picking at me about Lynwood.  
Love Always Annette Braxton & Family*

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**Annette** - December 11, 2018 at 08:04 AM

RH

“ *Elton, your mother will be miss, she has been  
a blessing and a dear friend to the Henderson  
family for many years, please accept our  
sincere condolences. We grieve with you.  
Love and Prayers, Bobby, Florine, Joy,  
Regina, & Jean*



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**Robert Henderson** - December 10, 2018 at 04:48 PM

JL

“ *Edith Jones Barfield and i started out as classmates from elementary through high school. I felt close as a sister to her. She will be missed by her classmates and i .We served on the Correspondence Committee for the Armstrong High School Reunions, Class of 1964  
My condolences to her family.*

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**JUDY P LEWIS** - December 10, 2018 at 02:54 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** - December 07, 2018 at 02:07 PM