



Edith Ann Howard Henry

January 11, 1927 - June 13, 2015

EDITH ANN HOWARD HENRY was born December 11, 1927 in Baltimore City, the seventh of ten children born to William and Laura Wortham Howard. She lived her early life on Lorman Street, attending Baltimore City Public Schools, including Booker T. Washington Junior High School and graduating , from Frederick Douglass High School in 1945. She attended Morgan State College, graduating in June of 1949 and was crowned Miss Morgan that same year.

In December 1949, she married United States Army Captain Walter Thomas Davidson, a dentist, in Mexico, and spent the next two years stationed in Austria. Upon their return to .the states in 1951, Dr. Davidson established a dental practice in Baltimore City. They were blessed with one daughter, Patricia Ann, born in 1952. Edith began a long and illustrious career in education, teaching English, French and Spanish at both the Junior High School and High School level.

Dr. Davidson died suddenly in 1965, leaving a young mother to raise her growing daughter alone. In 1966, Edith and Patricia ("Pat") left Baltimore and moved to Chicago to advance her career. In 1967 Edith received a Master of Education degree from Northeastern Illinois State College. She was a Fulbright Fellow. Over the course of her lifetime, Edith would continue her educational endeavors at New York University (Education), University of Strasbourg (French) and Saint Louis University at Merida, Yucatan Mexico (Human Relations). During her extensive teaching career she had an impact

on hundreds of students, many of which achieved great success across many professions.

After graduating from Northeastern Illinois State College, Edith and Pat returned to Baltimore to the family home on Hilton Road in Ashburton where she continued her teaching career. In 1968 she married Dr. Irving J. Henry, a dentist. They enjoyed a very active lifestyle and spent summers on their cabin cruiser, "The Henry's II."

Edith was always socially engaged and was active in many clubs and groups, as diverse as college alumni associations, teachers' groups, the Coast Guard Auxiliary, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., For-Winn-Ash Garden Club (affiliated with the Federated Garden Club of Maryland), bridge, boating, The League of Women's Voters, and especially, her church - Trinity Presbyterian, where she served as an elder and in various capacities within the church and the Presbytery.

Edith was a consummate entertainer and enjoyed gourmet cooking and serving elegant dinners to family and friends. She maintained a welcoming home which was designed for entertaining. The more the merrier. Every event, whether a simple dinner for her daughter and her family, or Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners for 40 or more guests; she was a gracious and gregarious hostess. She considered any and every gathering "an affair."

Though her marriage ended in 1983, that same year, Edith retired from teaching and began a new life. She relished in her new role as the grandmother of three grandchildren and welcomed the time that allowed her to focus on her grandchildren, cooking and gardening and travel. Throughout her life, Edith had the opportunity to travel throughout Europe, Central America, and Africa. She also traveled to Mexico, Cuba and throughout the United States, including Hawaii.

Edith is survived by her daughter, Patricia Davidson Welch, Esq., grandchildren, Laura Ann Welch, Martin P. Welch, [r., Sarah Ann Welch and son-in-law, the Honorable Martin P. Welch, one sister Lucy Howard Sylvester,

one brother-in-law, ten nieces and nephews and a host of family and friends.
She was preceded in death by five brothers and three sisters.

Cemetery Details

Baltimore National Cemetery

5501 Frederick Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21228

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUN 17. 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

JUN 17. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Wake

JUN 18. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity Presbyterian Church
3200 Walbrook Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21217

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Edith Ann Howard Henry*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Sending condolences to the family. My thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of sorrow. May the wonderful memories of Edith Ann Howard Henry give you comfort at this time. Carolyn Howard, Washington, D.C 6/23/15*

Carolyn Howard - June 23, 2015 at 02:12 AM



“ *On behalf of the League of Women Voters of Baltimore City, I send our condolences to the family of Edith Henry. We sincerely appreciate her service to the League. Her life story is truly inspiring.*

*Lois Hybl, Co-president
League of Women Voters of Baltimore City*

Lois Hybl - June 18, 2015 at 08:01 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Edith Ann Howard Henry.*



June 17, 2015 at 09:42 AM

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“ My sincerest thoughts and prayers go out for Ms Henry's family and loved ones. Madame Henry was my French teacher in high school. French was my favorite subject and Ms Henry not only enhanced my French skills but she enlightened me as a person. Her thoughtful ways of guiding me and instilling a strong sense of being in me. She boosted my confidence and always put a smile on my face. Heaven has certainly received an angel. Repose en Paix Mme Henry.

Elaine Duncan Cash - June 16, 2015 at 12:18 PM

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“ Psalms 34 18 tell us that Jehovah is near to those who are broken at heart and those crushed in spirit he saves. Praying that the God of comfort and mercy fill your hearts at this dark hour.

S Hill - June 16, 2015 at 10:42 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 - June 15, 2015 at 12:09 PM