



## Elizabeth Dortch Lofton

April 29, 1940 - December 14, 2016

### OUR BELOVED

Elizabeth Dortch Lofton was called to be with her heavenly father on December 14, 2016. She was born on April 29, 1940 in Manson, North Carolina to the late James Sr. and Lucy Jordan Dortch

She was educated in Wise, NC where she graduated from North Warren High School in 1958. Elizabeth joined the Mount Pleasants Baptist Church in Manson, NC where she was baptized at an early age.

Soon after moving to Richmond, she became a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church.

Elizabeth was employed with Best Products for over 20 years. After retiring from Best Products, she then became employed with Walmart Stores, Inc. where she worked until she left to become an in-home family caregiver. She was a lifetime member of the NAACP and served on the executive committee of the NAACP, Richmond Branch of which she held several offices. She served as the assistant secretary and treasurer. She also served on the committee at Elder Homes for several years where she gave back by helping to improve the housing and living conditions of the elderly, disabled, and low-income persons of Richmond

She is preceded in death by one sister, Betsy Green and two brothers, James, Jr. and Frank Dortch.

Elizabeth leaves to cherish her loving memory her daughter Karen S. Shelton (Leonard); two sons, Patrick A. Lofton and Joe L. Lofton, Jr. (Dionne) of Hubert, NC; five grandchildren: Kalil Lofton, Lanard (Laura), Devon, Kean and Destiny Shelton; three great grandchildren: Treyvon Jackson, Jr., J'Lyn and Justice Shelton; three sisters: Louise Hunt of Hanisburg, PA, Gracie Dortch Scott and Ann Dortch; four brothers, Clarence (Alibeth), Robert, Sr. (Ersell), Lynn and William Dortch and a host of other relatives and cherished friends.

Her legacy will be remembered for years to come by all who were touched by her.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

4000 Pilots Lane  
Richmond, VA 23222

# Previous Events

## viewing

DEC 18. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Service

DEC 19. 1:00 PM (ET)

Bethlehem Baptist Church  
1920 Fairmount Ave  
Richmond, VA

# Tribute Wall



“ Elizabeth Dortch Lofton

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ Those we love leave us gifts in the form of memories that no one can take away. Wisdom that we can still recall. These are the things that we will cherish forever. May the family continue to look to Almighty God for comfort during this most stressful time since "He is close to the brokenhearted. He saves those who are crushed in spirit." Psalm 34:18

Peggy Land - December 18, 2016 at 10:51 AM



“ My Granny,

Words can't describe how wonderful you were. You had such a big heart and would do anything for anybody a center stone of the family & you will truly be missed. I love you so much and I will never forget you til my dying. Love Always My Granny.



Lanard Shelton - December 18, 2016 at 09:05 AM



“ Lanard Shelton sent a virtual gift in memory of Elizabeth Dortch Lofton



Lanard Shelton - December 18, 2016 at 08:57 AM

 Bina  
Jordanism

“ *Praying strength and comfort to the family during this difficult time.  
Love you.*

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**Bina Jordanism** - December 17, 2016 at 05:03 PM

PB

“ *My deepest sympathies family. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven  
cannot Heal.*

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**Phyllis Brown** - December 17, 2016 at 12:19 PM

DB

“ *With my deepest condolences to the family of Elizabeth Lofton. May  
the Almighty, the God of tender mercies and of all comfort, who  
comforts us in all our trials, (2Corinthians1:3,4) comfort you and  
your family in this time of need.*

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**D Barnes** - December 17, 2016 at 10:45 AM

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“ *Ann McElya purchased the Arrive in Style for the  
family of Elizabeth Dortch Lofton.*



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**Ann McElya** - December 17, 2016 at 10:39 AM

LS

“ Mrs. Lofton,

*You were one of the most amazing woman I ever had the pleasure of knowing. You will truly be missed but never forgotten. Thank you for helping to care for Justice all of the years you did. You will forever live within his heart and mine.*

*Laura Shelton*

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**Laura Shelton** - December 17, 2016 at 07:43 AM

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“ *I Ann McElya, Sister In Law. To my derest friend Elizabeth. I'll never forget all the great days and years. We spent together. I thank God for the time we had toghter . I hate that you are gone too soon..I send much love to all the family. Love Ann McElya*



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**Ann McElya** - December 16, 2016 at 10:31 PM

DA

“ *So sorry for your loss . May the fond memories shared and resurrection hope Jesus spoke of in the Bible at John 5 : 21,28,29 when both sickness and death will be no more as promised in Revelation 21 : 3-5 be a source of comfort doing this time of grief and pain .*

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**D Allen** - December 16, 2016 at 05:14 AM

BF

“ *I am sorry to hear of your loss, deepest sympathy.* ”



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**Bentley Family** - December 15, 2016 at 09:29 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 15, 2016 at 01:59 PM