



## Ella Lee Blackmon

May 7, 1924 - September 19, 2013

ELLA BLACKMON, known affectionately as “Lee”, was born on May 7, 1924 in Manning, South Carolina to parents Julius and Lillian Dukes. She departed this life on September 19, 2013 after a lengthy and arduous illness. Ella attended Frederick Douglass High School in Baltimore. She began her professional career at the age of nineteen, when she began her employment with the Social Security Administration. This association continued for the next 31 years, and Lee retired in 1980 after a series of promotions and advancements. Lee’s first child, Ada Laverne (Pookum) was born on January 15, 1942, and quickly became the light in her mother’s life. She later gave birth to a son named Wayman on August 18, 1950. As an extremely family-oriented woman, she learned how to balance her personal and professional lives successfully. She married Earl Blackmon in 1967, a union that lasted until his death almost thirty years later. Ella was a strong personality who placed high value on family and loyalty. She was independent and highly self-motivated, traits that can be seen in her nieces and granddaughter to this day. After she retired she went on to acquire her GED. She also learned to swim at the age of 59, again showing a certain degree of drive and determination. Lee was the fourth of six siblings. Willie, Rose and Louise preceded her ascent, and she is survived by big brother, Roosevelt and younger brother, David. Also left to mourn are: her son, Wayman; granddaughters, Dedra, Kim and Jimi Darnelle; grandsons, Zachary and Paul. She was also blessed with seven great-grandchildren, Brittany, Shana, Antwon, Curtis, Ellison, Michael and

Shakiea. The nieces, nephews, cousins and others are far too numerous to mention by name, but their presence is greatly acknowledged and remembered. She was blessed to have seen five generations of her family line in Jada Kelly, granddaughter of Kimi, and Ta'Niyah Ford, granddaughter of Dedra.

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

SEP **25.** 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore  
4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
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## Family Hour

SEP **25.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Wake

SEP **26.** 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

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SEP **26**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Ella Lee Blackmon*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Please accept my deepest condolences; I am so sorry to learn of the death of your dear loved one. The Bible tells us 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."*

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**Bible Student** - September 26, 2013 at 09:52 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.*

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**March Funeral Homes** - September 23, 2013 at 10:08 AM