



## Ella S. Powell

July 29, 1929 - January 27, 2015

Ella S. Powell, daughter of the late Olga Jean Barnhart and Solomon Selby, was born July 29, 1929 in North Hill, North Carolina. At an early age she relocated to Baltimore, Maryland. After a lengthy illness, she succumbed to her ailment at home and transitioned this life on January 27, 2015 to be with her Heavenly Father. She had a strong will to live and put up a good fight. She received her education from the Baltimore City Public School System. Soon after that time she met the joy of her life, Isaac Powell. They later married on August 16, 1947.

Ella held several jobs throughout her career. She worked at the Maryland School for the Blind, Seton Institute, Charles H. Hickey Jr. School, Constant Care Medical Center and later retired from London Fog Industries Inc. It was at London Fog where she met and formed lasting relationships with numerous friends. She enjoyed cooking, knitting, playing cards, family gatherings and most importantly serving her Lord Jesus Christ. She received numerous awards and certificates throughout her career: Evangelical Teacher Training Association, Foster Grandparents Program, Total Health Care-10 Year Service, Certificate of Appreciation from Total Health Care's Substance Abuse Program and was voted Mother of the Year by the 3200 Carlisle Avenue Block Association, Inc.

Ella joined Har Sinai Church of Christ where she received Christ as her personal Savior. Ella was a faithful servant of Har Sinai and served on the Missionary Board, Willing Helpers and other ministries of the church. Ella later

left Har Sinai to support her son, Pastor Allen K. Powell in his ministry at Holy Trinity Worship Center located in Laurel, Maryland.

She made numerous friends wherever she went and will be sincerely missed by everyone who knew her. She was always a true friend, a devoted mother and a pillar of strength to anyone who needed her. Raising 11 children could not have been an easy task. Whenever her girls would say, "Mama always treats those boys different from the girls". She would always respond by saying "I love each and everyone of you- one by one and collectively."

Proceeding her in death were her: husband of 64 years, Isaac Powell; daughter, Rosa L. Coleman; stepson, Raynard Powell; mother, Oglia Barnhart; father, Solomon Selby; sister, Thelma Selby; brothers, Willie Earl Selby and Joseph Ward; and great-grandson, Darrell Smith.

Ella leaves to cherish her memory: 10 children, Catherine (Robert) Dorsey, Solomon (Brenda) Selby, Richard Selby, Tyrone (Joyce) Powell, Jerome (Celestine) Powell, Linda Lewis, Eloise Black, Constance Mack, Michael (Theresa) Powell of Clarksville, TN, Allen (Evelyn) Powell; Two brothers, Leroy (Rosalind) Jones and Robert Selby of Wake Forest, NC; One sister, Hilda Selby of Chapel Hill, NC; 31 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren, 20 great-great- grandchildren and a hdst of other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road  
Owings Mills, MD

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

FEB 4. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Wake

FEB 5. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Ella S. Powell*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Jennifer Hester lit a candle in memory of Ella S. Powell*



**jennifer Hester** - February 05, 2015 at 10:05 AM



“ *Grandmothers are here to spoil us rotten tell us yes we can have things when our parents say no, your house was the spot for cookouts and meet-ups with the cousins and all the aunts and uncles, you leave behind a leagacy and blood lineage that will live on for years to come through your children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, neices, and nephews, but most of all you leave behind your love that we will always have in our hearts for you forever. A beautiful white dove you are now, we have lost a grandmother but heaven has gained an angel, spread your wings Grandma god needs you now, but please continue to watch over all of us from heaven. We will look after Daddy and the others, RIP Grandma Eloise.*

*Love your Grandaughter,  
Antionette Avis Selby,*

**Antionette Avis Selby** - February 04, 2015 at 08:58 AM

DA

“ I'm so sorry for your loss . How comforting to know that Almighty God has not only the power but the desire to reunite us with our loved ones by means of the resurrection hope in the Bible at Acts 24 : 15 when both sickness and death will be no more as promised in Revelation 21 : 3,4

Delores Allen - February 01, 2015 at 07:18 AM

MP

“ My sympathy to the family of Mrs Powell. Please read 1Cor 15:26 to bring you some comfort

malvena palmer - January 31, 2015 at 03:26 PM

RJ

“ Momma,  
"God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be. So He put His arms around you and whispered "Come to Me." With tearful eyes we watched you, and saw you pass away. Although we loved you dearly, we could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hardworking hands at rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best."  
We will Always Love You  
Robert Jr. & Cynthia Dorsey

Robert H. Dorsey Jr - January 30, 2015 at 04:35 PM

EB

Missing you.

Eloise

Eloise V. Black - September 28, 2015 at 02:13 PM

EL

Still missing you.

Eloise - August 22, 2025 at 10:33 AM

RJ

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"God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be. So He put His arms around you and whispered "Come to Me." With tearful eyes we watched you, and saw you pass away. Although we loved you dearly, we could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hardworking hands at rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best."  
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**Robert H. Dorsey Jr** - January 30, 2015 at 04:31 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** - January 29, 2015 at 11:24 AM