



Ellen A. Ranson

November 14, 1943 - March 25, 2019

Ellen Antoinette Powers Ranson, beloved mother, sister, aunt, cousin and friend answered her Savior's call on March 25, 2019 at 6:16 p.m. at St. Agnes Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland surrounded by her only child Jameshia Dixon and a host of family and friends. Ellen was born on November 14, 1943 and was the second child of six siblings to the late Alex and Ellen Powers in the Lindenwood section of Norfolk, Virginia. She was predeceased in death by her brothers, Alexander "Shorty" Powers and Tyrone "Tookie" Powers, a nephew, Frederick M. White and all her aunts and uncles. Ellen's education began in the Norfolk Public School system. She completed her higher education at Frederick Douglass High School in Baltimore, Maryland and Dundalk Community College. As a young child, Ellen attended Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Norfolk, Virginia. When she moved to Baltimore, she attended Sweet Hope Free Will Baptist Church. In her earlier years, Ellen worked for Gilbert Dental Laboratory in Norfolk, Virginia before relocating to Baltimore to live with her aunts. It was at that time that she began working for the Baltimore City Department of Social Services (Westwood, Penn North and Broadway locations) providing the citizens of Baltimore with support for 43 years until her retirement. She enjoyed sitting on the porch of the family residence and at her home where she lived for 42 years. Her family roots were strong as she picked up gardening from her mother and aunts. Ellen was known to sit until sunset completing puzzles, speaking with her neighbors and took great pride in manicuring her garden and took pride in keeping her property presentable.

She also had a positive impact on children in the neighborhood (even teaching children to drive). Ellen was known as Ma, Mommy, "Peaches", "Net", Aunt Sister and Antoinette to all close friends and family. Ellen was also known as the "go-to" person for advice, life questions but was oftentimes misunderstood. She was a special woman who would give advice at times and was a staunch advocate for and emphasized education and accountability to all she encountered. Ellen was straightforward, kind and a good listener. She was also strong, independent, matter of fact and was known to have a kind heart. She was a superior, loving and caring mother to her daughter, Jameshia and molded her life with support and encouragement in all her career endeavors. Ellen also never hesitated to care for her mother, siblings and aunts when medically needed. Ellen leaves to cherish her memory: her only child, Jameshia L. Powers Dixon of Baltimore; a brother, Irving Powers of Norfolk, Virginia; two sisters, Deborah Walker of Oklahoma City, OK and Linda Power

Previous Events

Wake

APR 6. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

March Life Tribute Center, P.A. - Randallstown
5616 Old Court Road
Windsor Mill, MD 21244
(410) 655-0110
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

March Funeral Homes - August 16, 2022 at 02:48 PM



“ *Ellen A. Ranson*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Jameshia, my sincere sympathy to you and the family on the loss of your Mom. Regardless of our differences i will always remember her as a good friend and neighbor. We had some fun times together. I will keep you in my prayers. May she rest in peace.*

Judy Gordes

Judy Gordes - April 06, 2019 at 01:45 PM



Meeshy Meesh

Thank you Ms. Judy. I know my mom cherished many of the memories and outings that you two shared like the pumpkin patch and dinner/movies. I appreciate your kind words and your prayers.

Meeshy Meesh - April 26, 2019 at 03:30 PM



“ *Love you to heaven. You will be missed immensely!!!!♥ Rhonda Edwards*

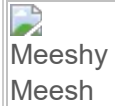


Rhonda - April 05, 2019 at 06:25 PM



And I know she loved you right back! Love you much.

Meeshy Meesh - April 05, 2019 at 07:15 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Meeshy Meesh - April 05, 2019 at 11:18 AM



Omg! So adorable!!!

Liz Nicole - April 07, 2019 at 09:40 AM



Thank you Liz!!

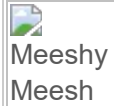
Meeshy Meesh - April 26, 2019 at 03:28 PM



“ *Meeshy Meesh lit a candle in memory of Ellen A. Ranson*



Meeshy Meesh - April 05, 2019 at 11:18 AM



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Meeshy Meesh - April 05, 2019 at 11:17 AM



“ *MOMMY*

For all my life you were always by my side to give me confidence, guidance, support and stability.

For all my life you were the person that I looked up to; so strong, so sensitive, so pretty, my best friend.

The two of us were always full of laughter, full of tears and full of love.

For as long as I remember, and still today you are everything a mother should be. We shared a bond like no other and together we were unstoppable.

I thank God for blessing me with you and for each day of my life we were able to share. I will honor you always and forever.

*I love you and miss you Ma,
Jameshia*

Meeshy Meesh - April 05, 2019 at 11:17 AM

LH

Jameshia, Praying for your strength during this difficult time! I saw and sent condolences to you and your family, but I didn't know your loss was your mother! I never knew her name, just knew that the lady across the street in the red jeep was your mom! So sorry for your loss and will keep you in my prayers!

Lettie and Willie Haynes - April 06, 2019 at 01:59 AM

GY

“ GARY & JOYCE WEST; LOVE YOU. purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Ellen A. Ranson.



GARY & JOYCE WEST; LOVE YOU. - April 05, 2019 at 12:12 AM



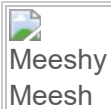
“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

March Funeral Homes - March 28, 2019 at 10:01 AM

HJ

My heart aches at the passing of my close friend. Prayers and condolences to Jameshia and family.

Hilda S. Jack - April 03, 2019 at 04:30 PM



Meeshy Meesh

Thank you so much Ms. Hilda. And yes you and my mom were close. Knew you since I was a kid. I appreciate all of your support. You know I need it.

Meeshy Meesh - April 05, 2019 at 04:46 PM

GJ

I send my Prayers and condolences to Jameshia and the family. I will always remember our last conversation.

Gwen Johnson-April 05

Gwendolyn Johnson - April 05, 2019 at 09:22 PM

JD

Still missing you Ma!!! Never got easy living without you. Just learning how to navigate life with this new normal. I love you and there is not a day that goes by without thinking of you!!! 💕💕💕

Jameshia Dixon-Bey - December 04, 2024 at 06:18 PM