



## Ethel Baltimore

June 16, 1929 - May 15, 2023

On May 15, 2023, the Heavenly Gates opened to welcome Ethel Mae Noakes Baltimore. Born on June 16, 1929, in Fauquier County, Virginia to the late Maria Ann Baltimore Cook and Daniel Lane, Ethel joined a family of six siblings, all of which are now deceased: Pearl, Bessie, Irene, Louise, Mary, and Robert. They grew up on a farm in Markham, VA, and soon moved to Orlean, VA. The family-owned and worked a parcel of land in Crest Hill, VA.

Ethel grew up under the sage guidance of her mother and grandmother. One important thing she learned from them is that the Lord will make a way. When Ethel was two years old, she was stricken with spinal meningitis. No one thought she would walk again. But the Lord answered the prayers of her mother and grandmother and began to walk again. She learned firsthand the healing powers of the Lord, and let Him guide her from childhood throughout adulthood.

As a young lady, Ethel moved to Tinner's Hill in Falls Church, VA to work. There, she met a dashing young man named William Noakes, with whom she fell in love and soon married. Three children were born from this union, William Nelson Noakes, Betty Ann Noakes, and Gloria Cecelia Noakes. Ethel continued her educational pursuits and successfully completed her GED. She began to advance in management fields and soon became a branch manager of a well-known bank.

Ethel remembered the lessons from her mother and grandmother and joined the First Baptist Church of Merrifield, and later Christian Assembly in Vienna, VA. She received many certificates of appreciation and commendations from her church. The highlight of her life was a trip to the Holy City of Jerusalem, Israel, the epicenter of the religious world with her youngest daughter, Gloria. There, they rode camels, were baptized in the Jordan River, and walked where Jesus walked as they experienced the history of the Christian world.

Ethel always had her family at the forefront of her mind and taught them to love Jesus. She did not have an easy life, but she lived it with courage, humbleness, and generosity. Even in her declining years, she sought the welfare of others.

Ethel was preceded in death by her son, William Nelson Noakes (Marilu), and daughter, Gloria Cecelia Dutch (Delbert). She is survived by William's children Shawn William Jr. (BJ), Michelle, and seven (7) grandchildren and four (4) great-grandchildren; and Gloria's children Candice, Kathryn, and Cara, and eleven (11) grandchildren.

She is survived by her daughter, Betty Ann Massenbur;g (Roy), grandson Tracy, and two great-granddaughters. Her precious memories will be cherished by numerous loving relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Morris Community Cemetery

5342 Leeds Manor Road  
Hume, VA 22639

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAY 24. 10:00 AM - 11:00 PM (ET)

St. Paul's Baptist Church  
4247 Creighton Road  
Richmond, VA 23223

## Celebration of Life

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *BETTY, OUR LOVE AND PRAYERS STILL GO OUT TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.....ANTHONY AND SAUNDRA BUNCH*

ANTHONY/SAUNDRA BUNCH - May 27, 2023 at 01:08 PM

DN

“ *Sending love and I prayers to the family.*



Danyce Dicks, Wilmington, NC - May 25, 2023 at 08:34 PM

JM

“ *I have known Ethel for years, meeting her at Kay Colville's home Bible study. Over time, I have known her to be faithful, generous in many ways, joyful and just a beautiful sister in Christ. My wife and I will look forward to the day we can rejoice in the Lord together again. May the God of all comfort be with you now and through your lives. John Monk, minister from Baltimore, MD*

john monk - May 23, 2023 at 08:29 AM

TF

“ *The Dutch & Alston Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Ethel Baltimore.*



The Dutch & Alston Family - May 23, 2023 at 12:17 AM

SD

“ *Ethel and I rode to church together for several years. We laughed all the way to church and all the way home again! She was a delight to be with....a great friend and trusted prayer partner! When she moved I missed her very much.*

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**Susan Drenkow** - May 21, 2023 at 12:21 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ethel Baltimore.*



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May 19, 2023 at 07:48 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** - May 18, 2023 at 01:24 PM