



Eunice "Townes" Nicholas

August 30, 1918 - November 30, 2015

EUNICE 'TOWNES' NICHOLAS, the daughter of the late Henry and Dora Townes, was born on August 30, 1918 in Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina. Eunice departed this life on Monday, November 30, 2015 in the early afternoon.

Eunice was the third oldest of eight children; William, as the oldest son, called Brother; Annie, as the oldest daughter, called Sister; Abraham, Eartie Mae, Cassie, James and Hazel, all of whom preceded her in death.

Eunice met and married Walter Wilkens and from that union two children were born; Gladys (Wilkens) Hutton and William Thomas Wilkens, both preceded her in death.

Eunice received her childhood education in the Roanoke Rapids school system and her continued education in Baltimore, Maryland, where she later relocated and received her degree in nursing.

Nursing was something that Eunice loved, and she was good at it. As a midwife and a nurse, she was well known for her kind and compassionate manner. Eunice worked at the old City Hospital, Sinai Hospital, Levindale (Where she retired) and Villa St. Michaels Convalescent center, where she worked and later retired after retiring from Levindale. She was a professional and did her job with a spirit of excellence and integrity, common traits among her parents and siblings. Grandma, as we fondly called her, often talked about her upbringing and what her parents taught them as children. She shared how she and her siblings were taught to love, honor and respect God, to put Him

first in everything and to treat people as they wished to be treated. They were not only raised in church, but in a God-fearing Christian home.

This is why it is no surprise that Eunice, once she relocated to Baltimore, became and remained a member of Whitestone Baptist Church for over 55 years. She served faithfully on the Senior Choir and Nurses unit until her health no longer permitted her to do so.

All who know Eunice can attest that she was a no nonsense kind of woman. She said what she meant and meant what she said. There was nothing phony about her. She loved her family and she loved the Lord and didn't mind telling the world. She leaves us an incredible legacy of faith, love and service.

Whenever and wherever there was a need, Grandma was there to help. One of the last things Grandma said to us was she had a good life, and the lyrics to the last song she would always sing was "The joy bells will be ringing and the Angels will be singing as soon as I get home". She was living for the day, prepared for the day and was ready on the day God called her home. She was a great woman and she will surely be missed.

Eunice leaves to cherish her memory: daughter-in-law, Joyce Wilkens; former daughter-in-law, Marguerite Bailey; twelve grandchildren, Linda Artis, Sharell (Wilkens) James, Lynette Plummer, Zelma (Brandon) McNeil, Alicia Artis, Kadovia (Alphonso) Smith, Felicia Wilkens, William T. Wilkens, Jr., Ananise Wilkens, Damian Jones, Candice Wilkens and Tiesha (Herman) Witherspoon; granddaughter, Meko (Wilkens) Holloway (preceded her in death); thirty great-grandchildren, nineteen great-great-grandchildren, with one on the way; brother-in-law, Forest Britt and sister-in-law, Bessie R. Townes, both of Newport News, VA; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Maryland National Memorial Park

Laurel, MD

Previous Events

Public Viewing

DEC 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

DEC 5. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Whitestone Baptist Church
3001-5 Baker Street
Baltimore, MD

Service

DEC 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

Whitestone Baptist Church
3001-5 Baker Street
Baltimore, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Eunice "Townes" Nicholas*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *With deepest sympathy to the Townes family. Thinking of You.*

Was looking for a friend and notices "Townes" name and I think everybody named Townes is one of my family members. My great-great grand father is "Frank Townes" and he had nine brother which we are researching because we don't know them. Did you ever hear Ms. Townes mention Macon or Warrenton, NC. That's where most of the relative I know that relocated to Baltimore came from. Did she every mention or talk about her grand father?

Again, sorry for your lost. Cecelia 202 489-6274. (B'More / DC)

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“ *Even when I was at my worst, Aunt Eunice spoke words of life to me. She would always encourage that I simple surrender to Jesus. She would say, "I tried Him for myself, He will make everything alright". I love you Aunt Eunice. Rest Queen, rest.*

John Butler Jr. - December 04, 2015 at 06:04 PM

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“ *Carol , Lee & Chris purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Eunice "Townes" Nicholas.*



Carol , Lee & Chris - December 03, 2015 at 10:32 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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