



## Fannie W. Wheatley

June 22, 1929 - May 9, 2014

A Time to be Born...FANNIE WOOTEN WHEATLEY, the daughter of the late Annie Wooten-Webb, was born on June 22, 1929 in Edgecombe County, North Carolina. Fannie was the seventh child (and the fourth daughter). A Time to Die...Fannie quietly and peacefully made a victorious and triumphant entrance into the presence of God on the morning of Friday, May 9, 2014 following a challenging illness. She was preceded in death by her husband of 38 years, Wardell Wheatley; three brothers, William Gray, Bryant, and Ernest ("Bud"); and four sisters, Beatrice, Nannie Lee, Rosa and Mary Ruth. A Time to Build...Fannie accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior at an early age and became a member of the Washington Branch Baptist Church, Macclesfield, NC, where she was an active member of the choir and Missionary Board. In 1951, Fannie graduated from George Washington Carver High School in Pinetops, NC. After graduation, she moved to Baltimore City to join other family members and seek new job opportunities. Fannie first worked as a waitress and cook at Reed's Drug Store and worked 25-plus years as a Residential Health Aide for the Rosewood Center for individuals with developmental disabilities. She initially joined Mt. Hebron Baptist Church and later joined Siloam Freewill Baptist Church founded and pastored by her brother, Reverend Ernest Wooten, Jr. in 1961. A Time to Love...Fannie was united in holy matrimony to Wardell Wheatley in September of 1956. God blessed them with their daughter Denise whom Fannie loved unconditionally. She was a devoted parent who endeavored to help Denise become positive,

caring, wise and well-educated; one of Fannie's proudest moments was Denise's graduation from Howard University in 1981. She was known to impart her wisdom and knowledge to other family members, friends, and acquaintances. Fannie loved shopping and wearing stylish suits, dresses, shoes and hats. She had the ability to make strong connections with everyone she met and had a deep desire to help people live their best life. She loved cooking for any occasion (Church programs, holidays, birthdays, funerals) and understood the enormous value of mealtime fellowship among family and friends. Family was very important to Fannie and she had unique relationships with each of her sisters, brothers, cousins, nieces, nephews, grandchildren as well as those she "adopted" as her own. Along with her sister Mary and niece Bettye, Fannie was an original member of the "Social Twelve," and enjoyed traveling and hosting events with this group of family and friends. A Time to Share...Fannie had a giving spirit and was known for her generosity and hospitality. For over 40 years, Fannie was an active member of the Siloam Freewill Baptist Church serving as a Trustee and President of the Senior Choir. She also co-led a food distribution program that has provided food and clothing to hundreds of West Baltimore families for over 15 years, garnering the church recognition from the Maryland Food Bank. Fannie was always known to help those in crisis by bringing them food, other essentials and words of encouragement. Fannie was also active in her neighborhood through the Wilson Park Northern Neighbors Association and was known for her gorgeous garden. She enjoyed hosting out-of-town family and making delectable "down home" feasts. Fannie was instrumental in helping to establish the Wooten-Thigpen Family Reunion, a reunion that is now in its 30th year. A Time to Say Goodbye...Fannie leaves to cherish her memory: a daughter, Denise (Richard); a step-son, Andre, Sr. (Brenda); four grandchildren, Richard DuBois, Malcolm, Andre, Jr., Anthony, Patricia, and Crystal; ten great-grandchildren; two sisters-in-law, Rena Mae Wooten and Mattie Fields Wooten; a beloved nephew, Fleming Wooten (Effie); a host of other relatives and many devoted friends.



# Cemetery Details

## Woodlawn Cemetery

2130 Woodlawn Drive  
Baltimore, MD 21207

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAY 16. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Family Hour

MAY 16. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

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MAY 17. 9:00 AM (ET)

March Life Tribute Center  
5616 Old Court Rd.  
Randallstown, MD

## Service

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MAY 17. 9:30 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Fannie W. Wheatley*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. The death of a loved one is the most difficult thing we deal with. I wanted to take this time to express my condolences to you for your loss. May you find comfort from Jehovah God's word the Bible. (Psalms 83:18) The Bible promises: "the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out." (John 5:28:29) Jesus Christ promised that millions now dead will live again on this earth and have the prospect of remaining on it forever peaceful paradisaic conditions. (Isaiah 65:21,22) You can have the hope of being reunited with your dear dead loved ones here on earth. The Bible also assures us: "He will swallow up death forever, And the sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces." (Isaiah 25:8) Death will be removed from all the earth. Tears of sorrow will vanish. No one will die from natural causes or weep. These are promises that will soon be a reality. (Hebrews 6:18) May you find comfort from these promises. And may Jehovah God of all comfort be with you. (2Corinthians 1:3,4)*

*For more encouragement please visit [www.jw.org](http://www.jw.org).*

sherries lee - September 12, 2014 at 03:11 PM



“ *Sorry for your loss, may Jehovah give you comfort in your time of need. 1 Corinthians 1:3,4.*

carolyn - May 18, 2014 at 09:58 AM

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“ Martha and Linda Wooten purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Fannie W. Wheatley.



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**Martha and Linda Wooten** - May 15, 2014 at 09:31 PM

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“ May God bless and comfort you Denise, and Family at your loss.  
Love,  
Marlene & Family

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**Marlene** - May 15, 2014 at 09:22 PM

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“ Our family would like to express condolences to The Wheatley Family. May you find comfort from Jehovah God's Word The Bible. He assures us that our loved ones have the hope of a resurrection to a restored beautiful paradise earth. He even promises us that "the last enemy death will be brought to nothing". Our prayers are with your family.

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**linn & family** - May 14, 2014 at 12:33 PM

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“ Please accept my heartfelt sympathy in behalf of your dear loved one. How comforting it is to know that God has not only the power, but also the desire to resurrect our loved ones thereby wiping all tears from our eyes. (Isaiah 25: 8, 9) I pray that you will be comforted by this precious hope.

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**K. Nichols** - May 12, 2014 at 02:21 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** - May 11, 2014 at 09:51 AM