



Hester O. Matthews

November 12, 1929 - March 13, 2011

Hester Olivia Roberts Matthews, daughter of the late Samuel T. and Alice E. Roberts, was born on November 12, 1929 in Baltimore, Maryland. She departed this life on Sunday, March 13, 2011 after a lengthy illness.

Hester received her education at Paul Laurence Dunbar High School in Baltimore. Shortly after high school, she worked as an aide at the Johns Hopkins Hospital.

In 1947 she married her high school sweetheart, Alvin Matthews and out of this union three children were born: Gail, Guy and Karen. She was devoted to her children.

She worked occasionally as a clerk in various department stores, but in the late 60's she ventured into her own business and operated a neighborhood confectionery store on Broadway and Preston Street where she was affectionately known as "Miss Hester."

In the 80's she received the right hand of fellowship at Memorial Baptist Church and served faithfully as an usher. She made numerous friends and loved her church family.

She enjoyed listening and dancing to the music of the 60's including Ray

Charles, The Temptations, The Four Tops, and many others. She also loved traveling with her family on vacations, family reunions, and holiday gatherings. As she seemed to sum up her life in a postcard she wrote during her last vacation with her daughter, she said: "...had a wonderful time." she was the center of our family and will be sorely missed.

She was preceded in death by her sister Gloria Harris, and brothers Weldon and Samuel Jerome Roberts. She leaves to mourn two devoted daughters Gail Price and Karen Carter, a devoted son Guy Matthews Sr.; a son-in-law, Rubin Carter; a daughter-in-law, Renee Matthews, 14 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, one great- great grandchild; two sisters-in-law, Zora Peters and Crystal Matthews; two dear cousins, Catherine Harris and Lillie Mae Bruce; nieces, nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

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1101 Sulphur Spring Rd.
Baltimore, MD 21227

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR 17. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore
1101 East North Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21202
(410) 727-3300
info@marchfh.com

Wake

MAR 18. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Memorial Baptist Church
1311 N. Caroline Street.
Baltimore, MD 21213

Service

MAR 18. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Hester O. Matthews*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 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 15, 2011 at 06:22 PM