



## Hilda Marie Ringgold

February 4, 1915 - April 19, 2003

Hilda Marie Burton was born on February 4, 1915 in Baltimore, Maryland. She was the only child of Walter Lewis and Annie Rebecca Burton. Hilda Marie attended the public schools of Baltimore and graduated from Douglass High School in 1933. In her early years she was a member of the Pennsylvania Avenue AME Zion Church where she taught Sunday school, sang in the junior choir, and participated in many other activities. In 1933 she married Laymon Tracy Hunter, Sr., of Waterbury Connecticut, musical director of the International Gospel Party. Of this union, the eldest son Laymon Tracy Hunter, Jr., was born on September 19, 1936. The couple later divorced. In 1939 she married Clarence Charles Ringgold of Lutherville, MD. From this marriage, Brett Lewis Ringgold was born on August 13, 1951. Hilda was a member of the Myra Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star and in 1950 was elected Grand Worthy Matron. During her term as Grand Worthy Matron she helped raise funds to acquire the Masonic Temple Building at 1307 Eutaw Place. She was also a life member of the Rosa J. Richardson Court #7 Heroines of Jericho for 25 years. She enjoyed singing and gave many concerts and recitals throughout Baltimore City, often accompanied by her mentor, the late Charles Parker. During World War 2, she worked at the Glen L. Martin plant at Middle River as a riveter. Later she decided to further her education by enrolling at Coppin State College where she received her teaching certificate. She taught elementary education in the Baltimore City Schools for many years, retiring in 1981. Hilda had an exceptional love for reading and travelling. She loved being

with friends, family, cookouts, and especially the holiday. She was a member of the Douglass Alumni Association, Class of 1933. She leaves to mourn two sons Laymon Tracy Hunter and Brett Lewis Ringgold, one daughter-in-law, Julia Hunter, six grandchildren, Paul T. Hunter, Barry J. Hunter, Cindy A. Burton, Keith E. Hunter, Craig E. Hunter and Roslyn R. Cromwell, eight great-grand children, four great-great grandchildren, and a host of friends.

# Tribute Wall



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“ *TO MY BELOVED GRANDMOTHER, YOU WILL FOREVER BE IN OUR HEARTS. BARRY & SHEREE.##imported-begin##MR. &MRS. BARRY J. HUNTER##imported-end##*

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“ *The tears that dampen our eyes in time of mourning are tears of homesickness, tears of longing for our loved ones. But it is we who are away from home, not they! Death has been for them a doorway to an eternal home. They are still with us, lovingly and tenderly waiting for the day when we, too, will enter the doorway of our eternal home. It is such a mistake to see death as separation and nothing more. For us who believe, death is a preparation for eternal union with those we love, in peace and in joy.##imported-begin##The March Family and Staff##imported-end##*

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