



## Hilda Romane Spriggs

July 14, 1926 - August 17, 2011

HILDA ROMANE SPRIGGS (nee Lewis), the fifth of six children of the late Herbert Arthur and Georgiana Virginia Lewis (nee Thompson), was born on July 14, 1926 in Westmoreland County, Virginia. Hilda died at the Baltimore Washington Medical Center in Glen Burnie, Maryland on Wednesday, August 17, 2011 after a brief illness.

The family moved to Baltimore, Maryland when Hilda was six years old and she received her early education in the Baltimore City Public School System graduating from Frederick Douglass High School. Hilda attended the former Morgan State College for three years and maintained a 3.5 average before leaving college to care for her sick mother. Education was important to Hilda. She attended the Cortez-Peters Secretarial School and took various courses, including dressmaking and tailoring, which proved to be valuable for her home businesses. As the first African American employed by the Maryland Department of Motor Vehicles, Hilda climbed the ladder of success. She started as a junior clerk and after decades of service retired in the late 1980's as a high level administrator.

Hilda converted to Catholicism as a teenager and married the late Norman Michael Spriggs, II on April 21, 1943 in Baltimore. Hilda and Norman had four children, Norman III, LeVerna, Patrice, and Joseph. The family lived on Cold Spring Lane for many years until Hilda moved to Anne Arundel County,

Maryland in the early 1980's. The death of 27-year-old Norman III and the untimely death of 17-year-old Joseph devastated Hilda. Hilda's spirituality, her daughters, mother, and companion, Milton S. Taylor, sustained her throughout these challenging times. Hilda adored her daughters. She said LeVerna (Babe) was "the sweetest person you've ever met" and her "demeanor never changed." Patrice was a fun child, 'always sweet and smiling.' Hilda's keen fashion sense and sewing expertise allowed her to make stylish outfits for her daughters.

Hilda was an entrepreneur with side businesses to help support her family. She did alterations mostly for Baltimore City Public School teachers as well as for friends and family. As a savvy businesswoman, Hilda wisely invested her money and purchased rental properties in Maryland and North Carolina. Because of these investments, Hilda was able to live a comfortable life and assist family and others when needed. She was a longtime member of the Maryland Association of Equal Opportunity Personnel (MAEOP) and was proud of contributions the organization made to assist Black families in need of assistance such as food, clothing, school supplies, etc. Hilda was a firm supporter of the Helping Up Mission in Baltimore.

Hilda Romane Lewis Spriggs leaves to cherish her memory: two devoted daughters, LeVerna Theresa Mallory of Glen Burnie, Maryland and Patrice Marie Bishop (John) of Baltimore, Maryland; three grandchildren, Norman Michael sprigs, III of Baltimore, Maryland, Charles Ober Mallory, III of San Leandro, California, and Adrian Jose Bond of Glen Burnie, Maryland ; five great-grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren; a loving 100-year-old aunt, Mrs. Valma Ruth Henson of Columbia, Maryland; her committed and caring soul mate, Milton S. Taylor; and a host of relatives and friends.

Siblings who preceded Hilda in death: Russell, Lucius, Sarah Martha, Leslie Levi, and Theodore Calvin.



# Cemetery Details

## Glen Haven

7215 Richie Hwy  
Glen Burnie, MD 21060

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

AUG 22. 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

AUG 22. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
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## Wake

AUG 23. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. peter Claver RCC  
1546 Fremont Ave  
balto., MD

## Service

AUG 23. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Hilda Romane Spriggs*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *My Condolences go out to the Family. I apologize for the late post. I remember Mrs. Spriggs from my childhood through her daughter Patrice, which is how I came across the obituary.*

*In Loving Memory,  
Denise Young-Bess*

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**Denise Young-Bess** - April 04, 2017 at 03:43 PM



“ *You don't know me but as one of Jehovah's Witnesses I would like to offer my condolences to your family. Death is such a terrible thing for a family to go through, I actually lost my mom about 2yrs ago. I'm truly grateful that I have the truth about death and look forward to the future when there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous.”—ACTS 24:15. I'm sure you would love to see your dead loved one again! Any Jehovah's Witnesses that you meet would love to show you in the Bible the truth about death! Again so sorry for your loss!!*

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**Ms Springer** - September 06, 2011 at 10:42 AM



“ *Hilda always welcomed me with a hug and smile! I was blessed to be with her and the family one more time on earth in June of this year! My prayers are with her family at this time. Lovingly, Jane Bishop*

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**Jane Bishop** - August 20, 2011 at 08:53 AM

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“ We had the honor of knowing Hilda for a short time, but she left a lasting impression on our hearts. Her courage and wisdom and special smile will stay with us forever.

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**Sharon & Roger Blevins** - August 20, 2011 at 07:31 AM

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“ I only have sweet memories of Hilda. The phone would ring and it would be her, just touching base and keeping up with family. She would laugh and you would have to laugh with her, she had such an infectious chuckle.

Our hearts are sad, but I know she has left her pain and travail and is in peace. May that give you some comfort, LaVerna and Milton, with this very difficult time.

Love you, Tanya and Curtis



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**Tanya Morris** - August 18, 2011 at 03:39 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** - August 18, 2011 at 08:30 AM