



Ida Ruth Cox

September 19, 1930 - November 17, 2012

IDA RUTH COX, daughter of the late Marion Durham and Marshall Jones, was born in Baltimore, Maryland on September 11, 1930. She departed from this life at 6:30 a.m. on November 17, 2012 at Sinai Hospital.

At the age of seven, Ida lost her mother and was later raised by her grandparents, the late James and Louise Durham. They provided Ida with love, support and a strong Christian foundation. Myrtle Lewis, Marion's best friend, also shared in the rearing of Ida. They maintained a special mother-daughter relationship until Myrtle's death in 2005.

Ida was a member of St. John A.M.E. Church as a child and young adult. In 1989 she joined Rising Sun First Baptist Church and was a member of the church's Flower Circle.

Ida received her education in the Baltimore City Public School system. She was an avid reader and had a passion for learning.

In 1945, Ida was united in marriage to Edward Glenn Colbert. Their union was blessed with three children: Cynthia, Marian, and Michael. Years later, Ida married Samuel Edward Cox. Their union was blessed with one son Leslie Anthony.

Ida was employed as a switchboard operator for Provident Hospital and General Electric Credit Corporation. She was very popular among the callers because of her exceptional communication skills. Everyone wanted to speak to “the lady with the beautiful voice” on the phone.

After suffering a heart attack in the prime of her adult life, Ida could no longer work. Throughout the rest of her life, Ida suffered many setbacks due to health issues. However, she was strong-willed and refused to give in to her limitations. She loved to travel and enjoyed experiences based on a variety of her interests.

Ida, affectionately known as “Mickey,” was loved by many for her kindness and compassion for others. She was a generous person who spent many years of her life helping and caring for others. Her bright smile and friendliness were contagious to everyone.

Ida leaves to cherish her memory: her four children, Cynthia, Marian, Michael, and Leslie; two sons-in-law, Aranzo and Michael; five grandchildren, Brian, Desiree (deceased), Shannon, Sharita, Terry, and LeMika; four great-grandchildren, Tykiera, Tyree, Jamaal, and Ella; two great-great-grandsons, Damien and Jaden; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and other relatives.

Cemetery Details

King Memorial Park Cemetery - Grand Heritage Chapel & Mausoleum

8710 Dogwood Rd.
Baltimore, MD 21244
(410) 944-8300
info@kingmemorialpark.com
<https://www.KingMemorialPark.com>

Previous Events

Public Viewing

NOV **26**. 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

NOV **26**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Wake

NOV 27. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Rising Sun 1st Baptist
2211 St. Luke lane
balto., MD 21207

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ida Ruth Cox*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Cynthia Hodges lit a candle in memory of Ida Ruth Cox*



Cynthia Hodges - January 03, 2013 at 12:06 AM

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Cynthia call me. I am your cousin Delores. 410-323-0526. Mickey and I were very close and I haven't been able to contact any of her children. Mickey's grandmother (Sarah on her dad's side) is my dad's sister. His name is Julian and my mom's name is Caroline. Both are deceased.

Delores E. Watts - May 09, 2013 at 11:55 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 - November 27, 2012 at 03:54 PM