



Lelia Mae Carter

October 10, 1935 - January 19, 2022

Lelia Mae Briggs was born on October 10, 1935 Williamsburg County, South Carolina. Born the “Nee Baby” of seven children to the late Sylvester Briggs and Sarah Frazier-Briggs.

Lelia accepted the Lord as her Savior, at an early age, on the mourner’s bench at Zion Methodist Church in South Carolina. Upon moving to Baltimore, Maryland, she joined Memorial Baptist Church Street under the leadership of the late Rev. Agnes Smith. There she was baptized and served on several ministries for 17 years in 1974, she joined with New Unity Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Rev. James S. Williams. There she remained until her death, under the leadership of Rev. Johnny N. Golden, Sr.

Lelia received her education from Warsaw Elementary School, which she attended through the 10th grade. After moving to Baltimore, Maryland in November of 1955. Lelia continued her education by attending night classes for Nursing at Dunbar High School. She also received a certificate for completing Sewing Classes, finally. Completing her schooling with a GED.

Lelia was united in Holy Matrimony on March 9, 1963 to the late Walter Allen Carter. To this union 2 daughters were born one who has preceded her in death, Valerie Carter Giggers.

Lelia was employed by St. Joseph Hospital for 8 years John Hopkins school of Hygiene for 5 years and The Baltimore City Public School System for 13 years before retiring in 1986.

Affectionally known in her neighborhood as Mrs. Carter. Anyone passing through the 2500 block of Robb Street knew to look on the porch of 2535 and there you would find her from sun up, to sun down. No matter the occasion, so many persons could find their mailbox filled with cards from Lelia. she had a passion for sending cards.

Lelia departed this life peacefully on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 Those left to cherish her precious memories are Daughter, Angela. 6 grandchildren; Jusin, Nicholas, Jessie, Tyler, Aaron and Taylor. 4 great grandchildren; Christian, Jayla, Camyn and Nasir, 1 sister, Lucille Graham, 1 sister-in-law; Dorothy Briggs, 1 son-in-law; Walter Giggers. 2 God sons; Roy Harrison and Dennis Johnson. A host of nieces, nephews and friends. Her long time, dear friend, Essie Peoples.

Cemetery Details

Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road
Owings Mills, MD

Previous Events

viewing

FEB 5. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home - East
1101 E. North Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21202

Wake

FEB 7. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Huber Community Life Center
5700 Loch Raven Blvd
Baltimore, MD

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lelia Mae Carter*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lelia Mae Carter.*



February 05, 2022 at 01:10 PM

EM

“ I used to call Aunt Lelia and tease her by introducing myself as her “favorite” niece from Florida. She would chuckle because I was the “only” niece she had who lived in Florida. Aunt Lelia, nor my Mother, could ever pronounce my name correctly. They always called me “Unestine”, instead of “Ernestine.” Shortly before I graduated from high school in 1968, I found out that my Mother, Daisy Bell McCray, and Aunt Lelia had made arrangements for me to stay with Aunt Lelia in Baltimore after graduation. I arrived on a Thursday and the next day, Friday, Aunt Lelia took me to North Charles General Hospital to interview for a job as a Nurse’s Aide. I got the job and started work that following Monday. I loved my job, and would have worked there for “free!” Because I was working, Aunt Lelia “refused” to let me do “anything” in the house. She did “everything”, all the cooking, cleaning, and my laundry. The only thing I had to do was strip my bed on laundry day. She kept all my clothes pristine clean and ironed. I “never” had to be concerned with having clean clothes or uniforms. She wouldn’t even let me do something simple like wash or dry dishes. I was used to doing chores of some kind from the time I was about 10 or 11 years of age and as I got older, picking cotton and working in green tobacco. To be in a home where I didn’t have to do “anything,” was like letting a hog loose in a barnyard full of slop! Those raised in the country understand this phrase. Too say I was “spoiled”, is putting it mildly! I was blessed to have had the privilege of living with Aunt Lelia for over 4 ½ months. Her heart was just as big as the smile she always wore! She is absent from her body, and present with the Lord. No more sorrow, no more pain! She is experiencing joy unspeakable and full of glory! She was loved by many, and will forever live on in our hearts! So sorrow not family and friends as those who do not have hope. Jesus is our Hope. If He tarries, one day, those of us that are in Christ will go to be with Him and all those who died in Him before us. If we are alive when He comes back, He will bring those who died in Him with Him. So either way, we will see our loved ones again. So comfort yourselves with these words. Shalom! Ernestine McCray (Aunt Lelia’s “favorite” niece from Florida)

Ernestine McCray - January 24, 2022 at 09:03 AM

VM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Vanessa McCray - January 22, 2022 at 02:14 PM

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“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Vanessa McCray - January 22, 2022 at 02:08 PM

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Sisters--Daisy and Lelia)

Vanessa McCray - January 23, 2022 at 02:20 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.

March Funeral Homes - January 21, 2022 at 12:15 PM

NL

My heart felt sympathy for the family of my goddaughter mom loved them both dearly .from Nita

Nita Lassiter - January 21, 2022 at 05:41 PM

VM

Aunt Lelia, I never I imagined you would leave me so soon. In my head, I know your times are in God's hands but my heart is missing you. Who will I call late in the evening to discuss my days and listen to you talk about yours? You've only been gone a few days and I have gone towards the phone to call you several times.

My tears are bittersweet now but you and Mother are back together again, I love and miss you both but I take comfort in knowing you're both safe, in the arms of Jesus .

In His presence is fullness of joy forevermore...I rejoice that I know where you are!

Loving niece, Vanessa (or Vee Mack as you started calling me 😊)

Vanessa McCray - January 22, 2022 at 02:02 PM

JV

Aunt Leila. Words can't express the PAIN and the SHOCK we felt when heard of your departure from this LIFE to your ENTERAL REST. BUT there was JOY knowing where you are and" WHOSE ARMS YOU RESTING IN. " SLEEP ON WARRIOR OF GOD. THERE IS SOO MUCH LOVE FOR YOU IN THIS FAMILY. Peace Aunt Leila. Janice and John Vaughters.

Janice M Vaughters - January 23, 2022 at 12:34 PM