



Lorraine Crute Washington

December 25, 1937 - August 7, 2010

Lorraine Crute "Rena" Washington, daughter of the late Winston and Panola Belle Webber, departed this life, August 7, 2010.

Rena graduated from East End High School in 1955 and furthered her education at Virginia Union University where she received a degree in Elementary Education. She was a dedicated educator who received many awards and recognitions during her career, which included Teacher of the Year, Perfect Attendance, and Outstanding Service to Children. After serving 32 years as an elementary teacher, Rena retired in 1997 from Richmond Public Schools. Even after retirement, she continued to work with children in various capacities.

At an early age, Rena was baptized and became a member of Sharon Baptist Church, in Baskerville. She later joined Rising Mount Zion Baptist Church, where she was a faithful member for more than 25 years. At Zion, Rena served in many capacities, including: member of the Counting Team, chairperson of the Day Care Committee, member of the Mary E. Gresham Memorial Club, and co-chair of the Seniors of Zion. Rena was also a member of various civic and social organizations, including the EMI Club.

Rena was married to Oscar Washington. She was a straightforward person who demonstrated a strong commitment to her family, friends and church

family. Her house was always the meeting place for family and friends. Memories of her will include good food, good friends and good times.

Rena was preceded in death by sister, Mildred Marie Crute; brother, Willie Lawrence Crute, Sr. and nephew, Winston Callahan Mitchell. She leaves to celebrate her memory: sister, Mary Crute Mitchell; devoted brother-in-law, Howard C. Mitchell; sister-in-law, Mary H. Talley; three nieces, Marlene Crute Johnson, Beverly Crute Baugh and Trina Mitchell; nephew, Willie L. Crute, Jr. (Beverly); grand nieces, Ivori and Joi Johnson; grand nephews, Evan M. Baugh, Harold C. Johnson, Xavier Slayton-Mitchell and Robert D. Crute; a host of cousins, with a dedicated cousin, James "Pete" Webber; caretaker and neighbor, Oscar Winckler and Arthur Cottman; and a multitude of friends and colleagues.

Cemetery Details

Crute's Family Cemetery

1640 Landfill Road
Bakersville, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 12. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel
Richmond, VA 23222

Service

AUG 13. 1:30 PM (ET)

Rising Mt. Zion Baptist Church
3857 Rising Mt. Zion Road
Sandston, VA 23150

Service

AUG 14. 1:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lorraine Crute Washington*

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.*

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