



## Lynn C. "Maisha" Washington

August 11, 1949 - October 21, 2020

A great woman who wholeheartedly lived and loved life to the fullest. Revolutionary, Educator, Historian, Master Storyteller, Wife, Mother, Daughter and Sister. Maisha's thoughtful words and deeds will always live on, in and through future generations.

Being born and raised in New York City during the infancy of the Civil Right shaped Maisha's world, political views, and opinions, and ignited her passion for Pan-Africanism. Maisha was among the very first members of the All-African People's Revoluntary Party in the USA. Joining in 1968. She was the first Elected Mmember of the A-APRP Central Committee. Her passionate struggle against Patriarchy and other related social forms of injustice was a permanent feature of her lifelong struggle to uplift African People in general and African Women in Particular.

Maisha was an elected representative from Maryland in the Sixth Regional Diapora Caucus in 2007 and became a CO-chairperson of the Maryland Council of Elders (MCOE) when it was established in 2017.

Staying true to her calling as an educator and historian. Maisha earned advanced degrees in history and African American studies. More importantly, Maisha never stopped learning and always encouraged others to probe, question, debate, and analyze with tact and passion.

Maisha was the Co-Founder and Principal of the Young Technocrats Math & Science Public Charter School in Washington, DC . In Baltimore she served as Principal of Walbrook Senior High School and taught regularly in the Baltimore City Schools, imparting her knowledge and love for African People to her students. Maisha was a Pan-African activist/organizer who was always committed to showing us all what we could accomplish. She was unwavering in her commitment to excellence, truth, justice and righteousness.

Her most recent accomplishments include hosting the 2020 Africa Liberation Day International Symposium (on behalf of the A-APRP and MGOE), and leading the Pan-African Virtual Summer Youth Camp, in cooperation with Sehwah-Liberia and SRDG. The summer camp was a tremendous success.

Maisha was preceded in death by her parents, Beatrice and John Washington, her younger sister Kimya Washington, and her husband Wali Williams, Maisha leaves to mourn her daughter, Pollyanna Williams, two nieces, Nia Washington-Plaskett and Tulani Washington-Plaskett, her brother-in-law, Allen Plaskett. She will deeply missed by progressive and revoluntary People around the world, her extended family, students, teacher, fellow educator, and numerous friends who are committed to keeping Mama Maisha's memory alive and continuing her work to bring freedom and justice to African People everywhere.

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

OCT **31**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore  
4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
(410) 542-2400  
info@marchfh.com

## Wake

NOV **2**. 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (ET)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



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**March Funeral Homes** - November 02, 2020 at 09:06 AM



“ Lynn C. "Maisha" Washington

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM

BB

“ *Sister Maisha Washington was a comrade in arms as a staunch member in the All-African Peoples Revolutionary Party and as leader of its All-African Women's Revolutionary Union. She worked very hard to build the party and even as her health issues became acute she never gave up the struggle.*

*LONG LIVE MAISHA WASHINGTON! LONG LIVE THE AFRICAN REVOLUTION!*

*Babatunji Balogun  
Principal Organizer  
Soul School Institute*

*Babatunji Balogun  
President  
Division #460  
Universal Negro Improvement Assoc./African Communities League  
(UNIA/ACL)*

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**Babatunji Balogun** - November 25, 2020 at 06:28 PM

AA

“ *Mama Comrade Maisha, what courage, clarity and determination you displayed in this realm. May your journey Home be reflective of the outstanding work and undying love you showed throughout your life. Thank you my Comrade!*

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**Akubundu Amazu** - November 03, 2020 at 04:56 PM

LH

“Peace and blessing to all. I want to express my sincere heartfelt condolences to the family friends and colleagues, of our Sistar Queen, Maisha Lynn Washington. I met Maisha during our time together as part of the Maryland Council of Elders, where she served honorably as Co-Chairperson. We were both Pan Africanist, and I enjoyed the many conversations and talks we would share about the struggle, and our efforts to "save the world, and our people, "in 30 minutes or less" . Maisha was a Teacher's Teacher, and she will be missed, but never forgotten.-Ase', Brother Kenyatta Wali Shabazz

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**Leslie Carl Howard** - November 02, 2020 at 05:49 PM

DM

*Maisha committed her life to revolutionary change. The struggle continues.*

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**Dr. Ken Morgan** - November 03, 2020 at 03:59 AM

NW

“ I extend my heartfelt condolences to Maisha's family, friends, and colleagues. I am still in disbelief, but I find consolation in the memories the frequent, long conversations that we shared on the phone and the hours that we recently spent together. I will forever miss Maisha as a dear friend, as a wonderful person, and as a tireless servant to humanity. Maisha energetically inspired countless people through her hard work and dedication to the oppressed of the world, to advancing the objective of Pan-Africanism, to African centered education for our youth, to the emancipation of women, and to numerous initiatives within her local community. Maisha was a proud, devoted and loving mother to her daughter and a proud, devoted and loving aunt to her nieces. Maisha spent her life working in organizations that served the people. I had the privilege of working with her in the All-African People's Revolutionary Party, and the All African Women's Revolutionary Union, where she rapidly rose as a leader. The members of our Party join me in expressing our gratitude and our love, to our comrade Sister Maisha, and we rededicate our commitment to continue our collective work. Maisha touched the lives of many people around the world, through which her light will continue to shine forever.

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**Nancy Wright** - November 02, 2020 at 11:58 AM

RB

“ Such a beautiful soul. You will be truly missed. You were one that cared so deeply for my child well being and for that I will be forever grateful for the loved you showed us. Kharon and I will miss you dearly. Love ya, may your soul rest in peace.

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**RAYKEISHA BRISCOE** - November 02, 2020 at 09:47 AM



“ *Mrs Washington, for the time we worked together we became great friends. I will miss you and remember the memories we have.*



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**Kathy Hayes** - November 02, 2020 at 09:44 AM



“ *Our family at Bard High School Early College sends heartfelt condolences to Ms. Washington's family! We were privileged to have her as part of our faculty for a semester. She was a passionate educator and a role model to us all.*

*Francesca Gamber, Principal*

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**Francesca Gamber** - November 02, 2020 at 09:41 AM



“ *Thank You for your services, Queen! You will be missed. now take your rest for you have been a blessing to US!*

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**David Murphy** - November 02, 2020 at 09:15 AM



“ *Queen Mama Donya lit a candle in memory of Lynn C. "Maisha" Washington*



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**Queen Mama Donya** - November 02, 2020 at 08:56 AM

JO

“ *Jalin Owens sent a virtual gift in memory of Lynn C. "Maisha" Washington*



**jalin owens** - November 02, 2020 at 08:26 AM

VQ

“ *Vanessa Quinn-Amos lit a candle in memory of Lynn C. "Maisha" Washington*



**Vanessa Quinn-Amos** - November 01, 2020 at 10:24 AM

BP

“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*




**Brenda Peart** - October 31, 2020 at 02:46 PM

QT

*Queen Miasha RIP a superior Teacher of African History and Culture, a true treasure with whom I am so thankful to have walked with on the journey! God Bless You Sister and to Polly and the Family, be forever blessed and at peace. Love, Mama Donya*

**Queen Mama Donya Twyman** - November 02, 2020 at 08:53 AM

  
Barbara  
Dziezdzic

“ Ms. Washington was both fierce and loving. I feel blessed to have so many memories with her though I was only able to work with her at Coppin for 2 years. We would often start our days in the faculty lounge still bundled in our hats and scarves. One year we both picked the other one for secret Santa. She got me a t-shirt with the Shirley Chisholm quote “You don’t make progress by standing on the sidelines whimpering and complaining. You make progress by implementing ideas.” That was her. A warrior for her community. I will carry her courage with me into my life and the road to the Beloved community. Rest in Power Ms. Washington.



Barbara Dziezdzic - October 31, 2020 at 11:30 AM

DB

“ Dawnnette Bobb lit a candle in memory of Lynn C. "Maisha" Washington



Dawnnette Bobb - October 30, 2020 at 11:03 PM

CM

“ Maisha I'm feeling some kind of way 😞😭. Cuz I'll always remember the family times we had(you, me&Kimya)dusk to dawn family talk, girl talk&life talk. You always kept it 100% never wavered, less was never who you were or what u stood for during your life journey. ❤️❤️❤️❤️ u still Colottra



Colottra Moore - October 30, 2020 at 06:03 PM

JO

“ *Jalin Owens lit a candle in memory of Lynn C. "Maisha" Washington*



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**jalin owens** - October 30, 2020 at 12:32 PM

JO

“ *To the family of ms Washington I'm praying for you all that god will give u strength. I know that you all will miss her and so will I do the same but she was a strong women she loved to help everyone the best way she knew how but to get you all through these tuff times always remember to be absent from the body is to be present with our Lord Jesus Christ*



*We love you miss Washington and the entire coppin family*

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**jalin owens** - October 30, 2020 at 12:31 PM

VI

“ *Condolences to the family of Maisha Washington...we will miss her leadership and words of strength.*

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**V. Iriarte** - October 30, 2020 at 07:10 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lynn C. "Maisha" Washington.*



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October 29, 2020 at 11:32 PM



“ Sunny Memories was purchased for the family of Lynn C. "Maisha" Washington.



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October 29, 2020 at 03:25 PM



“ Peter Ruhiri lit a candle in memory of Lynn C. "Maisha" Washington



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**Peter Ruhiri** - October 29, 2020 at 02:23 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** - October 28, 2020 at 09:29 AM