



## Maelena Lewis Holman

December 22, 1943 - May 10, 2023

MAELENA LEWIS HOLMAN was born in Baltimore, Maryland on December 22, 1943 to Leon and Mary Lewis. Maelena slipped away quietly on Wednesday morning, May 10, 2023 after a brief illness. Maelena grew up in Onancock, Virginia living with her grandmother who taught her about worshipping God and caring for the elderly. She returned to Baltimore as a teenager, and attended Fredrick Douglas High school. Mae, as she was affectionately known to many, was a kind and gentle woman with a giving spirit, warm welcoming smile, and a hearty laugh. Mae's Christian journey started early in her childhood in Onancock VA. She joined The City Temple of Baltimore (Baptist) in 1980 under the pastoral leadership of Reverend William Payne and continued to be a faithful servant under the pastoral leadership of Reverend Grady A. Yeargin.

Mae loved her church family. She was a member of the Temple Choir, Deaconate Ministry, and the Mission Minister, where she later served as group leader. She was a faithful member of The America Baptist Churches of the South (ABCOTS) and attended many annual sessions. Mae was employed at Fellows Manufacturing Company in Belcamp for 31 years. She received the "Founders Distinguished Service Award" for her contributions to the success of the company. She often mentioned that

the company would have presented her with a trip to Hawaii if she had remained on the job a few more years. Mae retired in 2003 to care for her ailing husband who preceded her in death. She said, "That is what God wanted me to do."

Mae married Samuel Holman on December 26, 1979. No children were born of this union; however, Mae was mother to many in her church and the Hanlon-Longwood Community where she lived for 50 years. Maelena is survived by: Sandra McGowens (daughter); Leon Lewis Jr. (brother); Denise Hollimon and Gale L. Fleming (sisters) all of Maryland; seven grandchildren, Brian McGowens, Cora McGowens, Vera McGowens, Kia Nichols, Keona Morris, Wayne and Terrell McGowens preceded her in death; eleven great-grandchildren, aunts, cousins, nieces, nephews, and a host of relatives and friends; Jonathan and Patricia Ward, (guardians); Delores Allen (goddaughter); Lilly Traynham (Sister-in-Christ and special devoted friend); Mary Williams (friend), and The City Temple of Baltimore (Baptist) Church Family.

# Cemetery Details

## Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road  
Owings Mills, MD

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAY **24**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home - West  
4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215

## Wake

MAY **25**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

City Temple of Baltimore Baptist  
317 Dolphin Street  
Baltimore, MD

## Funeral Service

MAY **25**. 10:30 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ 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** - May 15, 2023 at 02:40 PM

The Holman Family of Buckingham County, Virginia extend sincere sympathy to the passing of our Aunt May. May God keep you in His is care. Our prayers are with you.

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**Oscar T. Holman, Jr.** - May 16, 2023 at 04:21 PM