



Martha Taylor Martin

April 9, 1951 - June 20, 2019

“A Life Well Lived”

On April 9, 1951, Martha was born in Richmond Virginia to James and Ruby Taylor. She was also welcomed into this world by her older brothers, James and Samuel Hatter. At an early age, Martha accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior and was baptized at Moore Street Baptist Church. Martha was raised in the downtown Richmond area and the West End of Richmond. She attended Carver Elementary School, Benjamin Graves Junior High School and Maggie Walker High School. While in junior high school she met her junior high and high school sweetheart Richard Martin Mason, Sr. The two of them later married and from this union they had two children, Serena Denise Mason and Richard Martin Mason, Jr. Martha and Richard raised their children in Henrico County until his untimely demise in 1986.

As God would see fit, Martha was blessed to find love once again. She met Rickey Nathaniel Martin and the two of them were joined in marriage by Rev. Dr. A. Lincoln James at Trinity Baptist Church on June 9, 1990. Martha and Rickey could be seen around the city together participating in numerous church activities and anything involving music. The two of them loved jazz outings and loved to eat. On most occasions you saw the two of them dressed alike. They also enjoyed being members of the Richmond Jazz Society.

Martha spent a majority of her life working for Verizon. She began working in the telecommunications industry for C&P Telephone Company as a telephone operator. Throughout the years, Martha held several positions within the phone company and finally ending in the Business office as a Service Rep Consultant. Martha was a hard worker and was well respected by her customers and colleagues. After a 35 year stellar career, Martha retired from Verizon. After retiring, Martha also worked for Central Virginia Health Network and retired again after 4 yrs.

Martha found great joy in wedding planning. Known for her creativity and attention to detail, Martha made dreams come true for many anxious brides planning their weddings. In addition, Martha carried out her civic duty by serving faithfully as an election poll worker to check in registered voters for more than 20 years until her health began to decline. In her spare time, Martha enjoyed sewing and cross-stitching.

Martha was an active member at Trinity Baptist Church until her health began to fail. Martha was active in the New Members Ministry, Women's Ministry, The Inspirational Fellowship Choir and the United Voices Choir. In addition, Martha participated in the senior ministry and transportation ministry. Martha found such delight in driving the van to pick up seniors in order that they might be able to participate in church events such as noon day bible study and other fellowship activities. In addition, she would drive them to do some of their shopping and doctors appointments.

Martha enjoyed travelling, cooking, and spending time with her family, especially her grandkids. Whether popping popcorn or blowing bubbles, Martha's grandkids loved to spend time with their "FOXGGMA."

Left to cherish her memory, Martha is survived by her husband of twenty nine years, Rickey Nathaniel Martin; daughter, Serena Denise Mason; son, Richard

Martin Mason, Jr. (Kellie); grand children, Richard Martin Mason, III and Shaelyn Danae Mason; brothers, James Hatter (Stella) and Samuel Hatter; mother in law, Shirley Martin; sisters in law, Debbie Carter (Bobby), Michelle Manley, Leslie Martin and Shirley Jackson; brothers in law, Sandy Faulk (Alison), Tyrone Faulk, Cordell Martin, and Keith Martin; God Daughters, Theresa Brown-Gardine, Shauna D Lee (Michael), and Rachelle` Snipes; adopted children, Farrhard El Amin and Odessa Wilson (Michael); devoted friends, Merle Pratt, Jackie Snipes, Yvonne Carter Hewlett, and Debra Taylor; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road
Richmond, VA 23223

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 28. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Ave.
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Family Hour

JUN 28. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Celebration of Life

JUN 29. 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity Baptist Church
2811 Fendall Ave
Richmond, VA 23222

Tribute Wall



“ *Martha Taylor Martin*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Martha Taylor Martin.*



June 28, 2019 at 06:23 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Martha Taylor Martin.*



June 28, 2019 at 12:18 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Martha was an amazing, caring woman who always spoke lovingly of her family and friends and we all loved her too. I was Martha's supervisor at Bell Atlantic/Verizon before my own retirement. Martha was an outstanding, hardworking employee. I will never forget her. May she Rest In Peace & May Almighty God give you comfort as you grieve your great loss. Kindest regards, Pat Floyd*

p l floyd - June 27, 2019 at 10:20 AM

BB

“ Bernard & Patricia Broadneaux purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Martha Taylor Martin.



Bernard & Patricia Broadneaux - June 26, 2019 at 12:36 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Martha Taylor Martin.



June 26, 2019 at 12:06 PM

AB

“ Dearest Drs. Richard and Kellie Mason & family,



There are no words that can ease the absence of your beloved mother, mother-in-love and family matriarch. However, the countless lives that she touched and her gentle and loving spirit lives on through each of you.

God's heavenly garden is overflowing with remnants and the aroma of this beautiful and angelic soul, a true soldier whom has fought the good fight of faith and is now resting in the bosom of her heavenly father and loved one's who preceded her.

May the works she's down on earth continue to speak for her and may the manifestation of her spiritual gifts of love continues to live with each of you forever. For earth's loss is heaven's gain!

Love you always,

Brother Antonio and mother, Melissa McQueen Mears Brinkley & family~



We love each of you and please continue to

Antonio E. Brinkley - June 25, 2019 at 01:19 PM

HR

“ *Richard,*

Martha, will certainly be missed and we know how much you loved, adored and cherish her.

You guys have been great examples of two people who have shown, Love, sharing & caring for one another. What a recipe of a great love.

If you are lucky enough to find a angel, to share love with. That's a very rare find but, certainly a blessed find. You were fortune, to find your angel, such as Martha.

Our condolences, and prayers go out to you sir, Ricky and CC and your family in this time.

Sincerely, our good friends.

Harold & Pamela Randall

Harold Randall - June 25, 2019 at 12:30 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Martha Taylor Martin.*



June 24, 2019 at 04:28 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 - June 21, 2019 at 10:47 AM

LE

Martha and I worked together at both Verizon and Cenvanet. She always referred to me a Ms Lucy, even though my name is Linda. She will be missed. My prayers are with your family during this time. Memories will help ease your sorrow. Linda Elmore

Linda Elmore - June 22, 2019 at 07:36 PM

RJ

I had the privilege of knowing Ms.Martha and working with her for several years. I knew my day was going to be fun when my first call at 7AM was Ms. Martha or Ms. Linda with a computer issue. My life was always brighter when I would get a smile and hug from her. This world is surely missing an angel, but I know she is in heaven looking out for all of us. To her family, Thank You for allow us to share in memory of your loved one and I am sorry for your loss. Robert Johnson

Robert Johnson - June 24, 2019 at 02:29 PM

GW

A piece of my heart is resting in your arms. That's the only words that will come.

Gloria Wright - June 26, 2019 at 01:32 PM

GS

Martha was a beautiful soul and I so enjoyed her company. We met at Verizon in 1994 and became friends very fast. My husband Ernest and I have have spent many fun filled times with Martha and Rick. She will be missed.

Ernest & Gayle Stanley

GAYLE STANLEY - June 28, 2019 at 10:27 AM