



Martha Ann Watkins

March 14, 1934 - January 18, 2014

MARTHA ANN WATKINS, daughter of the late Julius James and Laura Austin, was born on March 14, 1934. She departed this life suddenly on January 18, 2014.

She was educated in the Baltimore City Public School System, graduating from Douglass High School in 1952. Martha loved working in the medical field. She held numerous jobs in that field starting with Johns Hopkins Hospital, Union Memorial and Ft. Holabird military base. She later began working for Fort Meade Department of Defense as the first black dental hygienist in 1973. She continued to work until her retirement in 1996.

She married the late Rudolph Valentino Watkins on August 9, 1953. He remained the love of her life for fifty-three years until his death in January, 2006. She upheld her vows through sickness and in health by taking care of him through his battle with Alzheimer's. Out of the union two children were born, Rudolph, Jr. and Lori.

Martha loved sewing, baking and shopping the second-hand stores. She made numerous friends wherever she went and will be sincerely missed by everyone who knew her. She was always a true friend and was very devoted to her family.

She was one of two children. Her sister, Myrna Lane, and she held a very tight bond. They spoke with each other everyday. She always enjoyed family and spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, always telling the kids how pretty their teeth were and making sure the seams were correct on their clothes.

She leaves to mourn: two children, Rudolph Watkins Jr. and Lori Watkins; two stepchildren, Cynthia Ellison and Ronald Watkins-Bey; one sister, Myrna Lane; two daughters-in-law, Donna Watkins and Taurraine Watkins; two sisters-in-law, Rosalie Watkins and Phyllis Watkins-Bey; one brother-in-law, Ralph Lane; five grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild, nieces, nephews and a host of other family and friends.

Cemetery Details

Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road
Owings Mills, MD

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JAN 28. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore
1101 East North Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21202
(410) 727-3300
info@marchfh.com

Family Hour

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

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Wake

JAN 29. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

St Francis Xavier Catholic
1501 E. Oliver Street
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Martha Ann Watkins*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Lori, I was so sorry to hear of the passing of your mom. if I had known, Eric Jr and I would have been there to pay our respects to you and the family. I pray that God will heal your hearts and may your mom rest in peace forever!*

*Love,
Valerie Fowler- Cragway and Eric Watkins Jr.*

Valerie Fowler-Cragway - February 05, 2014 at 05:15 PM



“ *I grew up with the Watkins kids and spent many a day at her welcoming home. I pray that your family recurve s the peace that only God can give during this time of great sorrow. And I celebrate the fact that this dear Lady has gone home to be with our gentle Lord and savior Jesus Christ. Blessings to you all. Andi Armstead Jarrett and family.*

Andrea Armstead Jarrett - January 31, 2014 at 07:43 AM



“ *I'm sorry for your loss. Death can be hard to cope with. Fortunately, God promises to rid the earth of all sickness, suffering, and death (Revelation 21:4). May this bring you comfort in this time of need.*

JB - January 29, 2014 at 07:26 PM

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“ Lori, and my BMore Family. I wish i can be there to support you. I just want to give my blessing and my strength to you at this time. I love my aunt Marty and she is/was a bright star in all of our lives. When I think of her I smile, :-) because that was she brought out of those she was around. She is now with my Uncle Bidsey and smiling.. Love you. You will always be in our hearts. Stay strong .We got you! Brenda.

Brenda Williams - January 29, 2014 at 09:30 AM

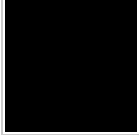
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“ Lori, I was so sorry to hear about your beautiful Mother Martha! She was absolutely a ray of sunshine with her smile and her beautiful spirit! She is fortunate to have a daughter that emulates all her goodness. My love and thoughts are with you.

Stephany Pierce - January 28, 2014 at 02:56 PM

“ To my beautiful grandma. I love you and miss you. I know you and grandpa are together again , as it should be. Your great grandchildren will never forget you and always love you. Tell granny and grandpa I love and miss them also. I know ya'll having a good time right now, dancing and laughing. Miss you all....until we see eachother again...love you!

Yapahyah Shabath - January 28, 2014 at 02:22 PM



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“ Mommie Watkins Thank You for being an inspiration in my life . I will never forget our conversations and your words of wisdom you gave so openly when needed.
You will be greatly missed . I can only smile now knowing that your are in Gods Hands and you will get to see Mr Rudolph who you loved so dearly. I know you will be watching all of those you loved, so when I look up in the sky I will smile..
Love Beverly

Beverly Hill - January 28, 2014 at 11:36 AM



“ I will miss you mommy Watkins. Condolences to the family.

Rivia Brown - January 27, 2014 at 11:04 PM



“ I love you, Grandma. You are at peace and I will always remember as a little girl going into yours and Grandpa's bedroom to smell your perfume and play with your powder puff because I wanted to smell just like you. You smelled so wonderful and I loved playing with your jewelry, especially when no one was looking. ??I love you, I miss you. Your Grandbaby, Melody.

Melody Watkins - January 27, 2014 at 08:45 PM

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“ I will miss you, my dear Mother-in-Law. I'm glad that we got to spend some time with you at the end of 2012. I will miss you calling to say "How 'ya doin'?" and I am thankful for our conversations and all the times that I was able to make you laugh. RIP Marty.

I love you, Donna

Donna Watkins - January 27, 2014 at 02:24 PM

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“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Donna Watkins - January 27, 2014 at 02:18 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 24, 2014 at 11:01 AM