



## Mary Louise Artis

April 27, 1925 - January 8, 2018

On January 8, 2018, our family circle which was so closely woven together with strong bonds of love and devotion was broken; when death visited us again and removed from our midst our beloved Mary Louise Artis.

Mary Louise Artis was born on April 27, 1925 in Kinston, North Carolina public schools system. At the age of sixteen she married to the Roosevelt McKinley Artis, a service man, after their two children Virginia and Pearline were born he moved the family to Baltimore, Maryland where she later had her third children LeMell.

Lou, as she was affectionately called, loved her family. Her career meant a lot to her because it enabled her to support them. When money wasn't coming in she went and got it!! She did whatever was necessary including moving to New York city where she at Arco Electronics. She later returned to Baltimore and worked AT&T which changed their name to Western electric and then Lucent. She was forced to transfer to Pennsylvania to complete her years with Lucent from where she retired. However, retirement didn't stop her because she immediately took a position as caregiver for the physically and mental challenged. Lou returned to Baltimore in the early 2000's and she was still on her grind collecting unemployment in her eighties.

In 2014 shortly after the death of her eldest daughter she moved to Decatur,

Georgia to live with her daughter Pearline and her son-in-law David

What did Lou enjoy? She was excellent with numbers, even in her nineties, Lou could remember her driver's license number and her bank accounts numbers and her son's account numbers by heart. She had a numbering system, hence in her youth she enjoyed playing cards and picking horses at the race track, and like anything else she attempted, she was good at it. What did Lou love? Let me see where, where do we begin " First of all, if you are sitting here you already knew she loved you.

More than anything , Lou LOVED the Lord. She loved her Church, she loved singing, fellow shipping, the preaching, the preacher, the brothers, and sisters, She LOVED her family she loved people and loved helping others. She didn't have a problem giving her last., because she knew the God would always make a way. Lou loved to drive, had an excellent sense of direction, and she drove until she was ninety years old Lou loved to laugh, she loved to travel, she loved celebrating her birthday and she loved dogs especially "Sport". Let us not forget she LOVED hats, shoes, and all dainty. She was a perfect example of how to look, dress, walk and act like a sophisticated lady. That was who she was, she was an astute, intelligent, take care of business kinda gal. Her passing has created a vacancy in our hearts that can never be filled.

Mary leaves to cherish her memories, her children; Virginia who preceded her in death (John) Franklin, Pearline (David) miller, and Kevin LeMell Artis; Seven grandchildren Paula Artis, Gwendolyn Brown, Roman Franklin, Mark (Kim) Franklin, troy (Tamlyn) Franklin, Stacy (Will) Curbean , Kelly (Fred) Neal; Fourteen great grandchildren; Nine great -Great grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.



# Cemetery Details

## Loudon Park Cemetery

3801 Frederick Ave  
Baltimore, MD 21229

# Previous Events

## viewing

JAN 18. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Wake

JAN 19. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Central Church Of Christ  
4301 Woodridge Rd  
Baltimore, MD

## Service

JAN 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Baltimore, MD



# Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Louise Artis*

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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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**March Funeral Homes** - January 20, 2018 at 10:46 AM