



## Mary Lee Austin

November 18, 1921 - January 2, 2022

Those who walk uprightly enter into peace:  
they find rest as they lie in death. Isaiah 57:2

Mary Lee Randolph-Austin was born on November 18, 1921 in Richmond, Virginia to the late Nathaniel Randolph and Clara Thomas. She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Linwood Austin, Sr.; granddaughter, Mishell Rena Sauls-Barber; devoted God-daughter, Roberta Brown Leecost; great grandson, Joshua Leon Jacks; along with five sisters and three brothers.

Mary Lee Austin accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior at an early age and was united with Fourth Baptist Church. She later transferred her membership to Bethlehem Baptist Church where she remained a faithful member for over 60 years and became the "Church Mother". She loved her church family and faithfully attended the James Eddie Stevens Church School Class. Living for God is how she walked and talked.

Mary was united in holy matrimony to Charles Linwood Austin on November 1, 1944 in Richmond, Virginia. Their union was blessed with three children.

She retired as a domestic homemaker and enjoyed her church family. She also enjoyed being with her family, watching her westerns on television, listening to gospel, dancing, playing her tambourine and socializing. Mary also

loved to garden in the yard. She made sure that she did the trimming herself. Her best traits included a strong sense of independence, gratitude for simple pleasures in life, knowing the importance of friendship, and living with spiritual purpose. She welcomed all occasions to share her blessings with others. Mary was devoted to her family and loved them in her own special way. She encouraged her children to walk in unity and never forget where they came from.

Early Sunday morning, January 2, 2022, God entered her room and called her home to step into the Kingdom of eternal life. She leaves to cherish her memory to Lena Mae Austin-Sauls (Leon), Charles Linwood Austin, Jr. (Brenda); Robert Austin (Delores); grandchildren, Cynthia Denise Sauls-Gaines (Frankie), Pamela Foxworth-Gaines, Leon Isaac Sauls, Jr. (Renita), Charles Linwood Austin, III (Becky), Angela Marie Austin, Elkee Sabrina Sauls; numerous great-grandchildren; great great-grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends.

“What we once enjoyed and deeply loved we can never lose, for all that we love deeply becomes part of us.”

# Cemetery Details

## Washington Memorial Park

6217 Memorial Dr.  
Sandston, VA 23150

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

JAN 27. 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM (ET)

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

## Celebration of Life

JAN 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Mary Lee Austin, Please Click the Link below.*



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**March Funeral Homes** - January 20, 2022 at 03:55 PM



“ *Mary Lee Austin*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Sincere Condolences to the Family. We remember Miss Austin as a Faithful resident of Fairfield where life was simply wonderful. Each Family looked out for each other and as a Mother she looked out for all. Thankful for having known her, her Sons & Wives and may God continue to strengthen the Family. Weeping may endure for a night but joy does come in the morning. (Ps.30:5) Sincerely submitted Dea. Horace & Rev. Roslyn Anderson from the Fairfield Neighborhood. Amen.*

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**Rev. Roslyn C. Anderson** - January 28, 2022 at 11:28 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Lee Austin.*



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January 26, 2022 at 11:48 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Lee Austin.*



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January 25, 2022 at 09:00 PM



“ *The Neal Family purchased the Country Basket Bouquets for the family of Mary Lee Austin.*



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**The Neal Family** - January 25, 2022 at 09:49 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary Lee Austin.*



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January 25, 2022 at 01:50 AM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Lee Austin.*



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January 23, 2022 at 02:09 AM



“ *Rest in everlasting peace Grandma* □



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**Sabrena Sauls** - January 20, 2022 at 10:00 PM



“ *Love and prayers to the family of Mary Austin. May God grant you peace and comfort.*



*Board of Deacons  
Bethlehem Baptist Church  
Deacon Carolyn Demery,  
Chairperson*

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**Carolyn Demery** - January 18, 2022 at 08:11 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Charlean Randolph - January 07, 2022 at 09:10 AM

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*Our deepest condolences to our family. Sending our prayers and love to Auntie tina and uncle Lee. From Dominique Winn and Mom Yani.*

yanira gonzalez - January 09, 2022 at 12:09 PM

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“ Charlean Randolph lit a candle in memory of Mary Lee Austin



Charlean Randolph - January 07, 2022 at 09:08 AM

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“ My dear Auntie I will miss you your jokes and smile I think the Lord for all the time I had with you You have your Wings now to be with all your siblings they are standing at the Golden Gate waiting PEACE !! PEACE!!



Charlean Randolph - January 07, 2022 at 09:07 AM

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“ *Sending my sincere condolences and prayers to the Family. Ms Mary lee was a bundle of Laughter to be around. We will miss you!! Rest In Peace* 🕊️🕊️🕊️



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**LaTonia Foxworth** - January 07, 2022 at 08:09 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 06, 2022 at 04:45 PM