



## Mary Elizabeth Coley

September 27, 1933 - February 23, 2011

Mary Elizabeth Robinson Coley was born to John Robinson and Sadie Meekins Robinson on September 27, 1933 in New Kent, Virginia. She was the fifth of 18 children. Mary attended public school in New Kent. She moved to Richmond at a young age, met and fell in love with James (Tom) Coley. Their union bore two children, Natalie and James.

Mary was employed by Bishop Robert Hall for more than 20 years and Theodore Linhardt of Dominion Chevrolet for over years. She loved her family and loved to feed people. Her home was often open to family and friends. Mary enjoyed sewing, thrift stores and was known for sharing her found treasures.

Mary confessed Christ as her Savior at a young age and joined the Rising Mount Zion Baptist Church, New Kent, Virginia. Mary was a lover of gospel music and it was often heard in the mornings in her home and when family gathered she enjoyed having everyone sing her favorites.

Mary transitioned from her earthy tabernacle on Wednesday, February 23, 2011. She was preceded in death by her parents John C. and Sadie M. Robinson, husband James T. Coley, and fifteen of her brothers and sisters.

She leaves to cherish her memory a loyal and loving daughter, Natalie "Beanie"

Coley(Richmond) son James "Bubbe" Coley,(Kentucky),seven grandchildren,Amber,James,Chelsea,DeAngelo,Travar,Travon Coley;two very dedicated and loving sisters,Ida R. Brown and Jacqueline R. Dobson(Junious) of New Kent;two sisters-in-law;Faye Robinson of New Kent,Barbara Robinson of New Jersey, and a host of nieces,nephews and other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road  
Richmond, VA 23223

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

FEB 25. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Family Hour

FEB 25. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

FEB 26. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Elizabeth Coley*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Kecia Norrell lit a candle in memory of Mary Elizabeth Coley*



**Kecia Norrell** - March 02, 2011 at 12:45 PM



“ *To The Family of Mary E. Coley, my sincerest thoughts and prayers are with you during your time of bereavement. I pray God's unfailing love and comfort embraces each moment of sadness and casts it away only to leave you floating safely in His perfect peace.*

*Stand still and know that He is God; The Comforter in our time of sorrow.*

**Desiree friend of Teresa Brown** - February 26, 2011 at 11:56 AM



“ *Natalie Coley sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Elizabeth Coley*



**Natalie Coley** - February 25, 2011 at 09:05 AM



“ Mommie Mary, Lord know we have been through many trials and tribulations over the years. There were times in my life that I thought you did not love me as much as a mother should love their daughter. And maybe you also thought that I did not love you the way I should love a mother. The past year has been tough for you. No one really knows how sick you were but me. Four weeks ago you and I were told you had been stricken with “cancer”. I was so proud of you, because you handled it without fear, that’s who you are a strong black woman. During this time it has been my pleasure, joy, and comfort to renew our love for one another. I fell in love with you all over again. We renewed our friendship our love, a mother and daughter relationship. I love you! Rest in peach

Beanie

Psalm 30:5

“Weeping may remain for a night, but rejoicing comes in the morning.”



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**Natalie Coley** - February 25, 2011 at 09:03 AM



“ Teresa Brown lit a candle in memory of Mary Elizabeth Coley



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**Teresa Brown** - February 24, 2011 at 08:22 AM



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**Teresa Brown** - February 24, 2011 at 08:15 AM



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**Teresa Brown** - February 23, 2011 at 11:55 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.*

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**March Funeral Homes** - February 23, 2011 at 04:00 PM