



Mary Lee Lancaster

February 20, 1922 - August 26, 2015

Mother Mary Lee Lancaster was born February 20, 1922 in Edgecomb County, NC to the late Ivory Cobbs and Bessie Davis Williams. She was married to the late Jimmy Lancaster. Mother Lancaster was preceded in death by her father, mother, sister, and one loving son Eddie Morris whom she loved dearly. Mother Lancaster departed this life early Wednesday morning August 26, 2015 at Holy Cross hospital after having a massive stroke the evening of Thursday August 19th.

The beginning of her life was at the ending of the Slavery Freedom Era. The love of family, community and farmers that lived around you was her family too, being it was all that you had.

She went to school in a room building with many grades being taught in just that one room. Many days she did not attend school, she had to work on the farm to help the family. Not so much in the education did she have but her love for people was great. Have you ever been to her home on a Sunday after church? All was welcome and the table was always set for many Kings and Queens as we all are.

Her love for God led her to joining Oliver Baptist Church, (NC) at an early age, and when she married, she moved and she also moved her membership to another church. Brown Chapel Church (NC). Not many Sundays did she

miss from standing on the Usher door at Brown Chapel.

After working at Godwin BarbarQ Restaurant as one of the head cooks for many, many years, her health began to fail, she moved to Washington, DC with her daughter, Cannon Baptist Church became her church home, you see she believed that she had to take God with her everywhere she went. Her and her daughter moved to Silver Spring Maryland and Pilgrim Baptist Church became her church home. Mother Lancaster was always available and ready to do hat was ask of her for the work of the Lord and her church. Usher Board (Junior and Senior), Junior Choir, Deaconess Board, Kitchen Committee, Pastors Aide, and Mother's Board. The certificates and other honorable mention were many, but she always working toward that mark.

Mother Lancaster leaves to cherish her memories; one daughter, Carolyn Welch of Laurel, MD. one son, Bobby (Linda) Cherry of Wilson, NC; one sister, Rosa Lee Cherry of Sharpsburg, NC; five grandchildren; Reginald (Tammie) Lancaster, Rose (James) Neil, Letitia Cherry, Tawanna Cherry, and Wayne Cherry; five nieces and three nephews; Bessie, Fannie, Jenny, Cynthia, Claudia; Larry, Charles and Gregory. Six generations of nieces and nephews, and one very special son Carnell Thomas Jr. Other family and friends.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

SEP 4. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Life Tribute Center, P.A. - Laurel
7601 Sandy Spring Road
Laurel, MD 20707
(301) 490-1550
<https://www.marchlifetributecenter.com>

Wake

SEP 5. 9:00 AM (ET)

Pilgrim Baptist Church
8901 Pennsylvania
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Service

SEP 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Lee Lancaster*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I was a care taker for Ms Mattie and Ms Lancaster at Randolph Village years ago. I'm sadden to hear they both are no longer with us. Ms Lancaster was full of life and always had funny stories to share. I remember her sitting on her stool cooking breakfast. May she rest in internal peace, Carlotta*

carlotta jackson - February 02, 2016 at 05:57 AM



“ *Carolyn Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mary Lee Lancaster*



Carolyn Taylor - September 05, 2015 at 03:42 PM



“ *Although I did not know Ms. Lancaster personally, I have heard such wonderful things about her from my mom Betty Thacker. My mom and Ms. Lancaster lived in the same Senior Living complex at Randolph Village in Silver Spring, MD. My mom loved her very much and she will be greatly missed. My deepest condolence to The Lancaster Family.*



Much love, Kim Boker (Daughter of Betty Thacker)

Kim Boker (Daughter of Betty Thacker) - September 01, 2015 at 06:30 PM

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“ *The Randolph Village Management Team would like to extend our deepest condolence to the Lancaster Family.*

Ms. Lancaster was a dedicated friend and long term resident. We will all miss her deeply, she will never be forgotten.

Our team will miss many things from her including but not limited to the goodies she used to bring back from North Carolina.

With love & respect, Greg, Curtis, Lorena, Antionette

Randolph Village Team - September 01, 2015 at 12:16 PM

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“ *I moved to Randolph Village 12 years ago and Ms. Lancaster was one of the first residents that I met and I fell in love with her from day one. I will always cherish the time that I knew her and loved her. She will be in my heart forever. She would always say "Hi Betty, where have you been?"..... I will always remember that. I will miss you, this is not good bye, this is until we meet again. May god bless the family, much love,
Betty Thacker of Randolph Village, Silver spring, MD.*

Betty Thacker - August 30, 2015 at 11:25 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.*

March Funeral Homes - August 28, 2015 at 01:55 PM