



Mary R. Purnell

August 5, 1918 - March 1, 2011

Softly and gently on March 1, 2011, our lord with His infinite wisdom called EVANGELIST MARY ROSETTA PURNELL home to eternal rest. She slipped away at the Harford Garden Nursing Home.

Mary Rosetta was born in Wye Mill, Maryland to the late James Albert and Annie M. Wilmer. She received her education in Mathtewstown, Maryland. In her youth, she met and married the love of her life. This union lasted over fifty-five years. No children were born of this union. The couple however adopted a son, Carey Purnell who preceded his parents in death, as did her husband, Bishop John Edward Purnell.

In 1961 Sister Purnell was called and ordained to the Gospel Ministry. She was ordained to the Eldership of the Faith Temple Pentecostal Church of Christ, inc. She co-pastored the church with her husband. In December of 1986 by the Authority of St. Mark's Pentecostal church, Evangelist Mary Rosetta began her work under the leadership of Bishop Wiley Barnes. She worked Faithfully at St. Mark's until her illness.

Evangelist Purnell leaves to cherish her memory: devoted nephew, James B. Wilmer, Sr.; niece, Candice Campbell; two great-nephews, James B. Wilmer, Jr. and Derek Campbell; two great- niece, Jodie Howard and Candice McCrea; and niece-in-law, Evelyn S. Wilmer; and a host of other relatives and

friends. She was also preceded in death by four sister and one brother.

Cemetery Details

Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road
Owings Mills, MD

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR 7. 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore
1101 East North Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21202
(410) 727-3300
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Wake

MAR 8. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary R. Purnell*

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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