



## Mary Barlow Ross

August 25, 1921 - December 14, 2019

Mrs. Barlow Ross, a retired nurse, entered her eternal home on Saturday, December 14, 2019. Mrs. Ross was born on August 25, 1921 in Richmond, Virginia, the second child of Williams and Pearl Gardner Barlow. Along with her four siblings, Elizabeth, Reatha, Helen and Joe, they grew up in the historic Jackson Ward Community. They were reared by their mother, at an early age after the death of their father.

Mrs. Ross attended Richmond Public Schools and graduated from Armstrong High School in 1939. She received her certificate as a Licensed Practical Nurse on November 11, 1955. She worked at St. Phillip's Hospital during segregation and retired after 28 years of service from the Medical College of Virginia.

Mrs. Ross married the love of her life, Benjamin F. Ross, Sr. on July 28, 1940 and to this union one son was born, Benjamin F. Ross Jr.

Mrs. Ross accepted Christ at an early age, baptized and became an active member of Sharon Baptist Church. She was a member for over 80 years and remained active in many organizations and ministries until her health declined. She actively attended Sunday School, Junior, Senior, Senior and Golden Age Choir, Junior and Senior Missionaries, Ladies Usher Board Number 2, Nurses Unit and Flowers Ministry and Chairperson of the Hospitality Committee for many years.

Mrs. Ross was active in the community serving with the Delver Juniors Women's Organization, Meals on Wheels and AARP Chapter 5653. She gave

back to children in her neighborhood through encouragement, financial support and advocacy to allow them to reach their goals in life. She planted seeds, watered them and watched God complete the increase. Her memory will forever be long lasting for her godchildren.

Mrs. Ross was preceded in death by her parents, husband, son, daughter-in-law, sisters and brother. She leaves to cherish her memory her granddaughters, Krista Renee Ross of Phoenix, Arizona and Erike Marlise Ross of Charlotte, North Carolina; nephews; nieces; devoted goddaughters, Dr. Jacqueline Johnson-Curl, Rosalind Johnson and Irish W. Kelly; and a dear friend, Catherine Bratcher.

### The Everlasting Light

Those we love must someday pass beyond our present sight...

Must leave us and the world we know without their radiant light.

But we know that like a candle their lovely light will shine

To brighten up another place more perfect...more divine.

And in the realm of Heaven where they shine so warm and bright,

Our loved ones live forevermore in God's eternal light.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Calvary Cemetery

1401 S. Randolph St.  
Richmond, VA 23220

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **19**. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Celebration of Life

DEC **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Sharon Baptist Church  
500 E. Laburnum Avenue  
Richmond, VA 23222

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Barlow Ross*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *To the family & friends of Mary Ross,*

*We at Mount Calvary Cemetery wish to express our deepest sympathies for the loss of your loved one and we pray that God will help to ease your pain in the days to come. We are proud and honored to be chosen as the final resting place for Mary. This is a responsibility that we do not take lightly and we pledge the highest level of perpetual care to honor her memory. Please do not hesitate to call us with any concerns or if there is anything we can do to make these difficult experiences any easier.*

*Jim Glass  
General Mgr.  
Mount Calvary Cemetery  
804-355-5271*

Mount Calvary Cemetery - December 19, 2019 at 11:27 AM



“ *From Krista and Erika Ross (granddaughters) purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Mary Barlow Ross.*



From Krista and Erika Ross (granddaughters) - December 18, 2019 at 05:39 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Barlow Ross.*



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December 18, 2019 at 02:21 PM



“ *Condolences to the family !  
Junnie Jones  
Redwood Ave.  
Richmond*



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**Junnie Jones** - December 18, 2019 at 11:23 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** - December 17, 2019 at 04:25 PM