



Melvina Dowdy

March 13, 1934 - April 29, 2024

On a hot sunny afternoon, Melvina went to be with her creator. She departed this life on April 29, 2024 at Johns Hopkins Hospital after a brief illness.

Melvina made her entrance into the world on March 13, 1934 at 4:11 a.m. to the late Mildred Jackson and Wilbur Forrester, she was their only child, they never married.

As a Baltimore native, Melvina was raised in Turner Station by her maternal aunts; Hilda, Mary and Isabell before moving to the Catonsville area. She completed her education at Dunbar High School and took vocational training for nursing assistance. She worked in many different fields. For the better part of the 1960's she worked as a candy stripe and nursing assistant at Kernan Hospital. She then transitioned into teaching and was a teacher's aide for Baltimore City Public Schools from the 1970's through the 1990's. Then she worked at the Social Security Administration until she retired in 1997.

Melvina was spiritually enlightened from a very young age and later in life joined Self Realization Fellowship. Her dedication to daily prayer and meditation led by the teachings of Christ and Paramahansa Yogananda have aided her in her wisdom and longevity.

Though Mel has departed, her memory lives on through the family she leaves

behind.

Cemetery Details

Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road
Owings Mills, MD

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAY **23**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home - West
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215

Wake

MAY **24**. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *March Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Melvina Dowdy*



March Funeral Homes - May 15, 2024 at 01:54 PM

CW

“ *Carl and Nancy White send prayers and blessings to Melvina's loved ones. We met Melvina through Self-realization Fellowship. We kept in touch all these years. We were blessed and we know that God will continue to bless her.*

Carl White - October 18, 2024 at 09:55 PM

SD

“ *Ms. Dowdy was one of my favorite patients. My condolences to the family. Hearing this broke my heart. Such a sweet lady and always had kind words to say to me when she came in and she would uplifted me on my bad days. She will truly be missed.*

SD - May 24, 2024 at 12:09 PM

TM

“ The families of the late George & Virginia Miles purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Melvina Dowdy.

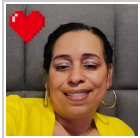


The families of the late George & Virginia Miles - May 22, 2024 at 10:50 AM

TM

“ The families of the late George & Virginia Miles planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Melvina Dowdy.

The families of the late George & Virginia Miles - May 22, 2024 at 10:50 AM



“ May Mrs. Melvina Rest in paradise. Such a beautiful soul ❤️
She will be surely missed ❤️🌸
My condolences to the family 🙏



KeKe King - May 15, 2024 at 12:18 PM

KB

“ Kathy Brooks lit a candle in memory of Melvina Dowdy



Kathy Brooks - May 03, 2024 at 07:27 PM

KB

“ *Ms. Mel, I miss you very very much especially our talks. You were my Moms best friend. I shall forever cherish all the memories we had!* 🌸 ☐ *Kathy Brooks*

Kathy Brooks - May 03, 2024 at 07:26 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.*

March Funeral Homes - May 01, 2024 at 03:31 PM