



## Michael Jeremiah Reuben Coates

October 2, 1938 - August 1, 2018

Michael J. Coates was born to the late James and Harriet Coates on October 2, 1938 in Baltimore, Maryland. After valiantly battling cancer for several years, on August 1, 2018 he succumbed to the affects of the disease.

Michael received his education through the Baltimore City Public School System.

Michael met Mildred Blue, and from this union, his first child, Michael was born. He later married Delois Thigpen, becoming father to Charlene Thigpen, and from this union Gaston Jones III (Darryl Coates) was born.

He was a genuine "people person" which, during his travels, and working as a Sky Captain at BWI Airport made him very likeable and easy to befriend. Michael was a "Ladies Man" and loved to party! He enjoyed reading, watching game shows, especially Let's Make A Deal and American Idol.

Michael loved to make BBQ chicken and his recipe was putting BBQ sauce in the pan and placing the chicken right in the sauce! Even in sickness he maintained a positive attitude and outlook on life. He will surely be missed by all who knew him.

He leaves to cherish his memory: two sisters, Harriet Johnson and Doris

Coates; two brothers, James and Ridgely Coates; two sons, Michael Coates Jr. and Gaston Jones III; daughter, Charlene Thigpen; fourteen grandchildren, Raven, Jerrell, Ashley, Darrell Jr., Brandon, Darrian, Nailah, Gaston, Einisia, Gavin, Kobi, Kaiden, Ay and Gabriella; six great-grandchildren, Darrell III, Daliyah, Da'Riyah, Darron, Da'Ryan and Jaida; daughter-in-law, Donna; nieces, nephews and a host of other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## King Park

8710 Dogwood Road  
Baltimore, MD 21244

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

**AUG 10.** 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore  
4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
(410) 542-2400  
[info@marchfh.com](mailto:info@marchfh.com)

## Wake

**AUG 11.** 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (ET)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Michael Jeremiah Reuben Coates*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Michael Jeremiah Reuben Coates.*



August 10, 2018 at 11:09 AM



“ *The Siblings, Harriett Lane, Doris, jimmy and Ridgley purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Michael Jeremiah Reuben Coates.*



**The Siblings, Harriett Lane, Doris, jimmy and Ridgley -**  
August 09, 2018 at 03:26 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 -** August 05, 2018 at 03:28 PM