



## Missouri . O. Barton

August 13, 1921 - May 2, 2016

Missouri Olivia Barton, daughter of the late John Davenport and Rosie Jordan Davenport, was born in King and Queen County, Virginia on August 13, 1921. She departed this life and continued on to her heavenly home on the evening of May 2, 2016.

Missouri was the youngest of 13 children. She left Virginia after the death of her mother and father at the tender age of 14 and went to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and then to Baltimore, Maryland. Years later she gave birth to her son Jim Davenport and worked as a mortuary assistant, mother's helper, and housekeeper. She married Boyce William Barton, Sr. a man who both adored his wife and loved God. He and Missouri had daily devotions until he died at age 94 while on his knees during his morning prayers.

After Missouri recommitted her life to Christ in the late 50's, she fervently shared the good news to anyone who would listen using gospel tracks and teaching Good News Clubs and Sunday School classes. The house on Broadway was open to missionaries, evangelist, and visiting preachers. Missouri's biblical gifts was hospitality and one of her defining characteristics was her willingness to help others. Missouri had a special love for people including nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Her greatest desire was that each had a personal relationship with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. In her own words:

"How many years one has left no one is ever sure but it is comforting to know that being absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Why? Many years ago I was convinced by the word of God that I was a sinner. And that Jesus was the one who died on the cross and shed His precious blood for my sins. Since I've invited Him into my life He has made me a new creature in Christ.

The Bible verses that I cherish and give me that blessed assurance are I Corinthians 15:3-4, John 1:12, John 5:24 and II Corinthians 5:17.

However, my greatest desire is that each of you may have the blessed assurance of your own salvation and experience the joy of serving Him and then being with Him for eternity".

Missouri is lovingly remembered and celebrated by: her son, James T. Davenport; daughter-in-law, Frances Davenport; three grandchildren, Deborah Barton, Gary West ( Brandi) and Michelle Davenport-Johnson (Garrard); and five great granddaughters, Breyonna West, Britney West, Jannah Johnson, Minah Johnson and Lailah Johnson.

# Cemetery Details

**Druid Ridge**

## Previous Events

### Public Viewing

MAY 6. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore  
1101 East North Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21202  
(410) 727-3300  
info@marchfh.com

### Family Hour

MAY 6. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

MAY 7. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Zion Baptist Church  
5701 York Road  
Baltimore, MD 21212

## Service

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MAY 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Missouri . O. Barton*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I wish to extend deepest sympathy to Cousin, James, Frances, Michelle and all of the family. Cousin Missouri's strong faith and love of family was very evident whenever we were around her and she exuded strength through her candor and countenance. Cousin Missouri and Cousin Lilly were always together at the Jordan Family Reunions and we will miss them. It seems fitting that they are the last two of the Davenport siblings to go home to be with the Lord. A glorious family reunion in heaven!!*



*With love,  
Cousin LaSandra Jordan Murray*

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**James Simpson** - May 07, 2016 at 04:35 PM

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“ We the great nieces light a candle for Aunt Missouri for she will be deeply missed but always remember for her love and kindhearted spirit. We send our condolences, love, and blessings out to Cousin James, Michelle, and the entire immediate family during this time.



*Many Blessings,*

*Love Gayle C., Hope, & Donna & Families  
Granddaughters of Sister Pearl Reed*

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**Great Niece Gayle Walker Coles** - May 07, 2016 at 07:59 AM

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“ *Kerri Smith lit a candle in memory of Missouri . O. Barton*



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**Kerri Smith** - May 06, 2016 at 02:19 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Missouri . O. Barton.*



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May 05, 2016 at 09:06 PM

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“ *My condolences to the family of Missouri Barton. May you find comfort in knowing that soon our enemy death will be a thing of the past. 1 Corinthians 15: 26*

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**L. H.** - May 05, 2016 at 07:35 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** - May 04, 2016 at 10:48 AM