



Rita A. Neale

December 17, 1955 - June 13, 2019

Rita Angela Neale was the sixth of eleven children born to Deacon Joseph L. Neale Sr. and Rita P. Carberry Neale on December 17, 1955 in Baltimore, Maryland. She transitioned from this earth on Thursday, June 13, 2019.

Rita was a member of St. Edward Roman Catholic Church, the parish of her Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage, but was also known to attend St. Francis of Assisi, Most Precious Blood and St. Matthew Catholic Churches. She received her early education at St. Edward School, Father Charles A. Hall School and went on to St. Francis Academy, graduating in 1974.

After high school, Rita worked a number of jobs, including as a cook at St. Francis Xavier Headstart, as a licensed cosmetologist in her spare time, and for both the Catholic High School of Baltimore as a part-time evening custodian and the City of Baltimore where she was employed full-time for over thirty years until she recently took sick leave to focus on her health.

In 1989, Rita married James Thomas-El. Their marriage ended in divorce, but they maintained a lasting friendship.

Rita embodied the model set by her parents with a strong work ethic and a willingness to help those in need without expecting much in return. Those who knew Rita knew she was the right person to have in your corner during a

difficult time, and she balanced her big heart with tough love and a dose of honesty when the situation called for it. She met any challenge with determination and an optimistic attitude and encouraged others to do the same.

Rita enjoyed her social life and had a great love for her family and friends. Whether it was hosting a birthday celebration or showing up at someone else's event, people could depend on her to offer support. Rita like to entertain at her home and prepare an impressive spread of food. She cared for her nieces and nephews as if they were her own children and any close friends would become extended members of the family. She will greatly missed.

Rita was preceded in death by her father, Deacon Joseph L. Neale Sr.; her siblings, Rachel Neale, Gerard Neale, Helena Bunch and Julia N. Montgomery; aunts Marie C. Consad, Dorothy M. Neale and sister Majella Neale, OSP.; and uncles James V. Carberry, John Allen Carberry, Bernard Carberry, and Paul Neale Sr.

Rita leaves to cherish her memory: her mother, Rita P. Neale; brothers Joseph Jr., Samuel (Carla), Michael and John Neale Sr., sisters Catherine Neale and Michael Whyte, special friend Larry Jackson, and host of other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

King Memorial Park Cemetery - Grand Heritage Chapel & Mausoleum

8710 Dogwood Rd.
Baltimore, MD 21244
(410) 944-8300
info@kingmemorialpark.com
<https://www.KingMemorialPark.com>

Previous Events

viewing

JUN 20. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Family Hour

JUN 20. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
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Wake

JUN 21. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Edward's Roman Catholic Church
901 Poplar Grove St.
Baltimore, MD

Service

JUN 21. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Baltimore, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Rita A. Neale*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Deborah Johnson Evans lit a candle in memory of Rita A. Neale*



Deborah Johnson Evans - July 11, 2019 at 12:52 PM



“ *I will always love you my sister Rita. This will be a hard summer for me, because we do so much together, and now that you are gone, I will not have you to do these things with anymore. I know that you are now with daddy, Rachel, Gerard, Helena, Julia and the rest of the family that transitioned to heaven. I will cherish all of the memories. I love and miss you Rita. Until we meet again!!!!*

Michele Kilette - June 23, 2019 at 07:16 PM



“ *Dr. Barbara D. Nazelrod, President purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Rita A. Neale.*



Dr. Barbara D. Nazelrod, President - June 20, 2019 at 11:00 AM

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“ *Neale Family,*

Thinking of you as you recall and share together the loving memories of your Daughter, Sister, Aunt, and Cousin. We hope those memories bring you comfort now and forever. We may not see each other as much as we would like, remember your family holds a special place in our hearts.

*The Larkins Family
Angela, Daphne, and Albert*

Angela Larkins Lucas - June 19, 2019 at 08:39 AM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Rita A. Neale.*



June 18, 2019 at 08:02 PM

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“ *Paulette C. Ross lit a candle in memory of Rita A. Neale*



Paulette C. Ross - June 18, 2019 at 09:56 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.

March Funeral Homes - June 17, 2019 at 04:20 PM