



Sarah Elsie Mackey

March 25, 1937 - April 25, 2025

Sarah Elsie Mackey (affectionately known as Elsie) was born on March 25, 1937, in Baltimore, Maryland. She was the beloved daughter of the late William J. Seaton and Sarah Seaton. On Friday, April 25, 2025, after a brief illness, Elsie peacefully went home to be with the Lord, surrounded by love and in the full assurance of her faith.

Elsie accepted Christ at an early age at New Shiloh Baptist Church, where she remained a lifelong and faithful member. She served under the spiritual guidance of Dr. J. Timothy Boddie and both Dr. Harold A. Carter Sr. and Jr. Her walk with Christ was evident in the way she lived her life—with humility, service, and steadfast devotion.

In July of 1955, Elsie married the love of her life, Irvin Harvey Mackey, who preceded her in death in May 1968. From their union came four children: Claude R. Mackey, Velvia C. Mackey Worrell, Carolyn S. Mackey Bryant, and William H. Mackey. Elsie was a devoted and loving mother who instilled strong Christian values, the importance of education, and the strength of perseverance in each of her children.

Elsie was educated in the Baltimore City Public School System and graduated with the Class of 1955 from Frederick Douglass High School. With an unwavering passion for nurturing young minds, she continued her studies at Coppin State College, earning a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education. Her pursuit of excellence in education did not stop there—Elsie went on to earn two Master's degrees in Education, also from Coppin State.

As an elementary school teacher in the Baltimore City Public School System, Elsie touched countless lives. Her classroom was a place of warmth, encouragement, and inspiration, particularly for her 2nd and 3rd grade students. She dedicated over 35 years to the field of education, retiring only to provide loving care for her aging mother.

Elsie's love for teaching extended beyond the classroom. A devoted woman of faith, she taught Sunday School for many years, ministering to generations of children through Biblical teachings. She was a proud and active member of New Shiloh's Comfort Choir, where she not only sang joyfully to the Lord but also served as President for several years. On April 19, 2015, she was honored with a Pastoral Citation recognizing her commitment to ministry and the many lives she impacted through service.

Travel was one of Elsie's great joys in life. She relished opportunities to explore new places—sailing on cruises, journeying across the United States, and immersing herself in the culture of Europe and the Caribbean. Her sense of adventure reflected her vibrant spirit and zest for life.

In her golden years, Elsie remained active and engaged, attending the local senior center where she became an avid line dancer and a valued volunteer in the travel department. Her enthusiasm and dedication earned her multiple citations for outstanding volunteerism, yet she remained humble and full of grace.

God saw that her path had become weary, and the journey long, so He gently called her home to eternal rest. Elsie was preceded in death by her siblings Lily S. Black, Mildred S. Linear, and William J. Seaton. Her legacy lives on in the hearts of her cherished family.

She leaves to celebrate her life and honor her memory: her four children—Claude R. Mackey, Velvia C. Worrell (Barry Worrell), Carolyn S. Mackey Bryant (Arthur R. Bryant), and William H. Mackey; her devoted sister, Velvia J. Foster of Philadelphia, PA; her beloved grandchildren—Megan Ryles, Cherese Davis (Lamar Davis), Tia Sembly-Nichol (Johnny Nichol), and Tyonna S. Mackey; and her treasured great-grandchildren—CheRae Howard,

Collin Ryles, Cydney Davis, James Nichol, Magdalene Nichol, and Gyasi Davis. Her Devoted Niece Martha L. Johnson and many other nieces, nephews, extended family members, and dear friends.

Don't cry for me because I'm free. God delivered me. Though my body ached, I kept the faith. But I heard God say, "Come home. Rest in peace from labor; your race is won." So, my dear ones, trust in God, believe in Him—and He will keep you until the end. I have been delivered into Victory.

Cemetery Details

Baltimore National Cemetery

5501 Frederick Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21228

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAY 12. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

Wake

MAY 13. 10:00 AM (ET)

New Shiloh Baptist Church
2100 Monroe Street
Baltimore, MD 21217

Funeral Service

MAY 13. 10:30 AM (ET)

New Shiloh Baptist Church
2100 Monroe Street
Baltimore, MD 21217
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Tribute Wall

WB

“ Warmly, Dr. Rachel Bryant purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Sarah Elsie Mackey.



Warmly, Dr. Rachel Bryant - May 12, 2025 at 12:11 PM

OJ

“ Sorry for the loss of your Mother. Our condolences.

Ora & Dwayne 🙏🕊️

Ora Jones - May 11, 2025 at 07:44 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Sarah Elsie Mackey.



May 10, 2025 at 07:45 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Sarah Elsie Mackey.

May 10, 2025 at 07:45 PM

SR

“ *Sandra Hall and family Spencer and Ryan. purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Sarah Elsie Mackey.*



Sandra Hall and family Spencer and Ryan. - May 09, 2025 at 09:13 PM

SR

“ *Sandra Hall and family Spencer and Ryan. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sarah Elsie Mackey.*

Sandra Hall and family Spencer and Ryan. - May 09, 2025 at 09:13 PM

MJ

“ *Manuel and Jennie purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Sarah Elsie Mackey.*



Manuel and Jennie - May 09, 2025 at 09:34 AM



“ *We will miss you, my Friend, Elsie. Rest in peace..
Love,
Dea W.Bertha Boyd*

Willie Boyd - May 08, 2025 at 08:52 PM

MB

“ Mike, Kelli, & Lucas Biggerstaff purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Sarah Elsie Mackey.



Mike, Kelli, & Lucas Biggerstaff - May 08, 2025 at 12:32 PM

MB

“ Mike, Kelli, & Lucas Biggerstaff planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sarah Elsie Mackey.

Mike, Kelli, & Lucas Biggerstaff - May 08, 2025 at 12:32 PM

FJ

“ From Bill & Cheryl Jones purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Sarah Elsie Mackey.



From Bill & Cheryl Jones - May 05, 2025 at 07:14 PM

CN

“ Aunt Elsie was one of the sweet people that I knew. Condolences to all the family.



Cindy Nicholas - May 05, 2025 at 03:34 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sarah Elsie Mackey.*



May 03, 2025 at 12:28 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sarah Elsie Mackey.*



May 03, 2025 at 08:22 AM



“ *Julia, David, & boys purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Sarah Elsie Mackey.*



Julia, David, & boys - May 02, 2025 at 10:33 AM



“ *Julia, David, & boys planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sarah Elsie Mackey.*

Julia, David, & boys - May 02, 2025 at 10:33 AM

SH

“ Sandra G Hall lit a candle in memory of Sarah Elsie Mackey



Sandra G Hall - May 01, 2025 at 07:53 PM

DC

“ Deborah Wilson (friend of Claude) purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Sarah Elsie Mackey.



Deborah Wilson (friend of Claude) - May 01, 2025 at 09:53 AM

DC

“ Deborah Wilson (friend of Claude) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sarah Elsie Mackey.

Deborah Wilson (friend of Claude) - May 01, 2025 at 09:53 AM

DR

“ Donna R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sarah Elsie Mackey.

Donna R. - May 01, 2025 at 08:50 AM

GC

“ Glen and Claudia purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Sarah Elsie Mackey.



Glen and Claudia - April 30, 2025 at 02:22 PM

GC

“ Glen and Claudia planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sarah Elsie Mackey.

Glen and Claudia - April 30, 2025 at 02:22 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 - April 29, 2025 at 10:43 AM