



## Vera E. Dukes

August 23, 1932 - February 16, 2016

Vera E. Dukes was one of seven children to the late Mamie and Charles Desmond, Sr. on August 28, 1932 in Baltimore, Maryland.

She attended Carver Technical Vocational High School in Baltimore and graduated as a qualified seamstress.

Vera at the age of 21 moved to Camden, New Jersey. Here she began her glorious journey into adulthood and career.

Vera landed a job at Lakeland Hospital a week after she arrived here. While working at Lakeland she pursued a career as a physical therapist. She loved her job and helping her patients. She was also very active in her union early in her career. Vera worked for 35 years and retired from Lakeland.

Vera loved family and was always a phone call away. She enjoyed life and lived it to the fullest. she often said she had a "great life", no regrets!

She lived on Royden Street for over 50 years and was an active part of her community. Vera helped anyone that needed her help. She was a loving member of our family, a great friend to many and a caring person to all.

On February 16, Vera lost the battle with a brief illness.

Left to cherish her memories are her two brothers, Jr. and Shermon Desmond; sister Dorothy; nieces, nephews, great and great - great nieces, and nephews. Loving and dedicated companion Raymond Cooper. Cherished friends Barbara, Frannie, Madeline and Barney and her casino partner Kim and a host of acquaintances. Vera E. Dukes was one of seven children to the late Mamie and Charles Desmond, Sr. on August 28, 1932 in Baltimore, Maryland.

# 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

## Public Viewing

**FEB 21.** 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

## Wake

**FEB 22.** 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (ET)

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## Service

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FEB **22**. 9:30 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Vera E. Dukes*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Offering peace of God to your family as you go through this hour of sadness. Phil.4:7*

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**Sharon Harris** - February 22, 2016 at 07:22 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** - February 21, 2016 at 03:50 PM