



## Wilford Garnet Hatcher

January 1, 1918 - March 2, 2012

Wilford Garnet Hatcher was born to the late Nannie Carter Hatcher and Charlie Langhorne Hatcher on January 1, 1918 in Cumberland County, Virginia. He departed this life on March 2, 2012 at Memorial Regional Hospital in Mechanicsville, Virginia with his granddaughter Tracey by his side. He is preceded in death by his three sisters, Mary Johnson, Estelle Edwards and Gracie Lewis; three brothers, Ollie, Samuel and Floyd Hatcher.

He attended the public schools in Cumberland and enjoyed his childhood days with his parents and siblings. At an early age, Wilford accepted Christ and was baptized at Pleasant View Baptist Church in Cumberland.

Wilford left Cumberland to gain employment in Richmond, VA and then moved on to West New York, NY where he worked and lived with his aunt Lil and cousin Berl Lee Hatcher. After a number of years Wilford returned to Richmond and was employed at Windsor Farms. There he met his future wife Ruth Elizabeth Hunt and on February 19, 1943 they wed and remained so for the next sixty-eight years.

Wilford and Ruth moved to New York where they held various positions in Nyack, Manhattan and Queens before settling in Wyandanch and North Babylon. Wilford worked at C&D Cement Block Company, but realized he needed to be his own boss. At that he acquired his own 'filling stations' first in

Wyandanch and then in North Amityville until he retired. After a number of years in retirement, Wilford and Ruth decided to pull up stakes and return to Richmond.

Wilford was a devoted husband, father and mentor. He loved to talk, was an excellent businessman and never met a stranger. He was an active member of Hollywood Baptist Church in Amityville, NY and First Union Baptist Church in Richmond, VA. He enjoyed community service with Kiwanis and was a lifelong member of George Washington Carver Lodge No. 95 of Wyandanch, NY.

Wilford leaves to cherish his memory a devoted wife, Ruth Hatcher; two daughters, Ruth Ann Johnson (Gregory) and Vanessa Hatcher; granddaughter, Tracey Cabanis; two great-grandsons, William and Christopher; two sisters, Annie Brown and Louise Williams, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, First Union Baptist Church family and many other caring friends.

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Public Viewing

MAR 9. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23222

### Service

MAR 10. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Union Baptist Church-Dill Road  
3510 Dill Road  
Richmond, VA 23222

# Tribute Wall



“ *Wilford Garnet Hatcher*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss and would like to offer my condolences to your family. Death is such a terrible thing for a family to go through, I actually lost my mom 3yrs ago. I'm truly grateful that I have the truth about death and look forward to the future when there will be "a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous."—ACTS 24:15. I'm sure you would love to see your loved one again in the coming Paradise here on earth! Again so sorry for your loss!!*

**Ms Springer** - March 10, 2012 at 11:06 AM



“ *Uncle Wilford, I will truly miss you. I will miss your smile, hugs, kisses, jokes, conversations and please don't let me forget your dancing. I know you and my grandpa are just talking up a storm! You will truly be missed.*

**Y'vette Hatcher Winston** - March 07, 2012 at 04:59 PM



“ *Vanessa Hatcher sent a virtual gift in memory of Wilford Garnet Hatcher*



**Vanessa Hatcher** - March 07, 2012 at 03:14 PM

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“ *Vanessa Hatcher lit a candle in memory of Wilford Garnet Hatcher*



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**Vanessa Hatcher** - March 07, 2012 at 03:13 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.*

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**March Funeral Homes** - March 05, 2012 at 04:55 PM

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*To the Hatcher Family My Prayers Go out to you all.*

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**Marvin Matthews** - March 08, 2012 at 09:46 AM