



## Zelda May Cheatom

July 3, 1927 - January 15, 2022

Zelda May Cheatom, daughter of the late Gladys and Harry King was called home to be with the Lord on January 15, 2022.

Born July 3, 1927, in Baltimore, Maryland, Zelda was raised in a Christian home and accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Savior as a young girl. A long-time member of Ebenezer Baptist Church in Baltimore, she actively supported and faithfully served all church activities including the Missionary and the Johnny Jones Ministries until her health began to decline.

Although Zelda was born in Baltimore, Maryland, she had resided in Richmond, Virginia for a period of time where she received her formal education. After returning to Baltimore, she met and married her husband, Ora Cheatom who preceded her in death in 1999.

Zelda (affectionally called Mother) had an active and nurturing family and social life. She enjoyed cooking, traveling, and hosting gatherings throughout the year, especially on holidays. Zelda was an avid lover of the outdoors spending countless hours enjoying her pastime, fishing. She was also quite a gardener, loving to see the fruits of her labor as she grew various plants, fruits, and vegetables. Zelda was a member of the Rebecca Chapter No. 2 Order of the Eastern Star. She held many positions including that of Worthy

Matron.

Sewing was a great hobby at which Zelda excelled in her craft after attending sewing school in Baltimore and becoming an excellent seamstress. She loved sewing whether it was for herself or so many others. She created beautiful everyday clothes, wedding dresses, choir robes and so much more. Zelda was a voracious reader of all literary genres. Reading the bible and applying the word to her daily life was a priority to her.

Zelda was preceded in death by two daughters: Glenda Pitts and Gladys Powell.

She leaves to cherish her memories, four daughters: Mildred Fon, Carolyn Page, Roslyn Hall, and Elaine Smith and, one son Gary Cheatom (Shawnte); eight grandchildren: Michele Stansberry, Darryl Powell, Michael Baylor, Katrina Smith, Brian Hall, Jenell Hall, Ian Page, and Gary Cheatom Jr.; thirteen great-grandchildren, five great-great grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Arbutus Memorial Park Cemetery

1101 Sulphur Spring Road  
Baltimore, MD 21227

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

JAN 28. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

## Wake

JAN 29. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

JAN 29. 12:00 PM (ET)

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4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215



# Tribute Wall



“ To view the service of Mrs. Cheatom please click the link that says View Webcast.



March Funeral Homes - January 24, 2022 at 11:12 AM



“ *Zelda May Cheatom*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Zelda May Cheatom.*



January 28, 2022 at 12:01 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to Mrs. Carolyn Burton-Page and her family. I pray God brings you peace and comfort at this difficult time. May all of your memories be sweet. Shirley Jackson-Avery*

Shirley Jackson-Avery - January 28, 2022 at 09:27 AM

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“ *My deepest and most heartfelt condolences is with you (Carolyn Burton-Page) and your family. Praying for comfort and strength.*

*Leathia Fletcher*

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**Leathia Fletcher** - January 28, 2022 at 07:45 AM

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“ *My Deepest Sympathy*

*May you get through this difficult time, through prayers & the comfort of friends. May God wrap his loving arms around all of you!*

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**Michael Turner** - January 28, 2022 at 01:54 AM

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“ *Mrs. Cheatom had a warm heart. I grew up with her daughters. When I visited her home she treated me just like a daughter. She prepared wonderful meals, gave us sewing lessons and gave us inspirational advice about life. She was an angel on earth and now in heaven. Rest in paradise, QUEEN ZELDA CHEATOM 🙏🙏🙏.*

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**Karen Sams** - January 27, 2022 at 01:13 PM

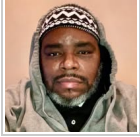


“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Zelda May Cheatom.*



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January 27, 2022 at 01:07 PM



“ *Floyd Benton lit a candle in memory of Zelda May Cheatom*



Floyd Benton - January 26, 2022 at 10:31 PM



“ *Peace and Blessings the the Cheatom Family. I'm gonna miss you Mrs. Zelda you were my 2nd mom and showed me unconditional love all the time. I will watch over my brother Gary as I have since we became best friends all these years. May you REST IN PEACE love Vernon.*

Floyd Benton - January 26, 2022 at 10:31 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Zelda May Cheatom.*



January 26, 2022 at 12:08 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 - January 20, 2022 at 11:00 AM