



Order of Service

Organ Prelude Rev. Dr. Connie Dorsey

- Choir Selection.....Total Praise
- Final Viewing..... “ More than anything” Voices of inspiration
- Old Testament Psalm : 27-1..... India Washington
- New Testament St. John 14: 1-7..... Dominique Frazier
- Prayer of comfort..... Deacon Kimani Frazier
- Selection..... “Take it to Jesus” Phylcia Samuels
- Remarks.....
- Family Tribute.....Rodney David Taylor, Kareem Frazier, Kimani Frazier
Eric Samuels, Dominic Hall, Lorraine Samuels, Sheldon & Rosalyn
- Slide Presentation..... “Black Butterfly” Denise Williams
- Cards/Resolutions..... Parri Frazier Bynum
- Selection.....“For every mountain” Gwendolyn Jones Williams
- Obituary.....Khalid Frazier
- Selection.....“I trust In God” Voices of Inspiration
- Eulogy..... Reverend Jerry Robinson
- Benediction..... “Goodness of God”

Interment

Ivy Hill Cemetery

1201 Easton Rd, Philadelphia, PA 19150



Of all the beautiful gifts,
Both great and small,
To have you as our sister,
Was the greatest gift of all.
A special bond that can't be broken,
A love that will not fade,
We cherish all the memories,
And the magic that we made.
You brought us joy and laughter,
And a kindness rare and true,
And though our hearts are aching,
We are blessed we shared them with you.
Now resting with the angels,
In a place of perfect peace,
Your light continues shining,
And our love will not decrease.
Forever missed, forever loved.

Footprints In The Sand

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the LORD.
Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand: one belonging to him, and the other to the LORD.
When the last scene of his life flashed before him,
he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life. This really bothered him and he questioned the LORD about it:
"LORD, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints.
I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me."
The LORD replied:
"My son, my precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."
by Margaret Fishback Powers

Casket Bearers

- Kimani Frazier
- Kareem Frazier
- Morgan Simon
- Eric Smalls
- Khalid Frazier
- Nathan Samuels
- Khaleed Crump
- Sheldon Washington

Floral Bearers

- Dominique Frazier
- Monique Samuels
- Connie Light
- Tyoni Baldwin
- Khylee Crump
- Phylcia Samuels



Dear Mom,

I don't know where to begin because I didn't know that this was going to be the time that you moved on from this life, to the next.

It was such a great time with you for your birthday. The joy that I saw on your face is something that I won't ever forget. We gave you your flowers that weekend, and it felt like a new chapter was beginning right before our eyes...

But a new chapter requires the end of a previous one.

I want to ask why it had to be now. But that wouldn't suffice. No one knows their time left here on Earth. And that is determined by the Lord who has all time in His hand.

But you had so much more to give, to share, to pass down. You were the best cook ever, you had a resolve that wouldn't give up even when things weren't perfect. Your grandchildren needed to benefit from your wisdom, learn of your courage, and hear you speak of your triumphs in your early days.

We all needed it.

Maybe it's selfish to want more time, but that is something that only the Lord controls. He gave us 77 years to give you your flowers. And in the last year of that time, we did that on a level that made heaven rejoice. You called it your best birthday ever.

Now, you're at home. Free to reunite with your mom, brother & sisters, your first born, and so many others who have declared faith in our Lord & Savior, Jesus Christ.

So, while we mourn your passing, I am comforted by the fact that this isn't a goodbye as the world sees it. For us, it's simply "see you later".

I love you Mom. And I will see you again. India, Ariel, Azariah, Simeon, Gabriel, and Josiah, love you dearly.

Love, Sheldon



Repast

Immediately following the interment, the family does welcome you back to the Deliverance Evangelistic Church Fellowship Hall

Acknowledgement

The Family of Mary Washington would like to acknowledge and thank everyone for their acts of kindness shown to us during our time of sorrow. It lifts our hearts to know that you care. May God continue to shower you and your family with blessings. The Family

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF



Mary Charlotte

WASHINGTON

APRIL 23, 1949

MAY 2, 2026

Thursday | May 14, 2026 | 11:00 AM

Deliverance Evangelistic Church

2001 W Lehigh Avenue,
Philadelphia, PA 19132

In Loving Memory of Our Wonderful Sister



Mary Charlotte Washington was born April 23, 1949 in Kline, S.C. to Morgan Simon Jr. and Sarah Patterson Simon. A loving wife, devoted mother, cherished grandmother, sister Dear Mom, aunt, and faithful friend, peacefully departed this life on Saturday, May 2, 2026. Her life was a beautiful reflection of faith, love, strength, and service to others. Mary received her education through the South Carolina public school system and proudly graduated from GinyardButler High School in 1967. Shortly after graduation, she relocated to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where she pursued her passion for beauty and style by attending the Wilfred Academy of Hair and Beauty Culture, earning her certification in cosmetology.

Affectionately known as “May”, Mary accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior at Calvary Baptist Church in Allendale, South Carolina. Her faith remained the foundation of her life. After moving to Philadelphia, she became a devoted member of Deliverance Evangelistic Church under the leadership of Pastor Glenn Spaulding. Through every joy and every challenge, Mary’s unwavering faith sustained her, and she remained a faithful member until the Lord called her home. She met and married James Washington, and from their union came three beautiful children: Yolanda, Rosalyn, and Sheldon. Mary was a woman of determination, ambition, and grace. She possessed a strong work ethic, a generous heart, and a spirit that inspired everyone around her. An extraordinary beautician and entrepreneur, Mary was widely admired for her talent and dedication. Taught by her mother at an early age, she quickly developed a gift for hairstyling, beginning with her younger sisters and eventually becoming known as one of the finest hairstylists around. She traveled near and far to care for her loyal clients, always making people feel beautiful inside and out. She loved butterflies. To her, they represented hope, transformation, and beauty. In even the hardest moments. They reflect who she was- gentle, yet strong, resilient and full of light. Leaving a lasting Impression long after she passes by. Mary loved fashion and carried herself with elegance and confidence. She was known for her impeccable style, long beautiful nails, and her favorite colors – green and purple – which reflected her vibrant personality. Beyond her professional accomplishments, Mary’s greatest joy was her family. She treasured every moment with her children, grandchildren, siblings, relatives, and friends. Family gatherings were especially dear to her heart, and she worked tirelessly to preserve the traditions and values passed down through generations. Mary also had a passion for cooking and hospitality. Inspired by cooking shows and recipes from the Food Network, she prepared meals with love and excellence.



Her ribs and fried fish became legendary among family and friends, and many would say no one could cook quite like Mary. She could prepare just about anything, and every dish carried the warmth of her loving spirit. In her leisure time, Mary enjoyed attending gospel concerts, reading, listening to music, watching cooking shows, game shows and sports. She was an avid Philadelphia Eagles fan who loved laughter, fellowship, and creating joyful memories with those she loved. Like her mother, Mary also had a green thumb and found peace and happiness in caring for flowers and plants. Mary was truly a people person – always willing to lend a helping hand, offer wise advice, give a ride, or simply provide a listening ear. She helped raise her younger siblings with love and selflessness, never complaining and always serving as a source of strength for her family. She believed in punctuality, responsibility, and treating others with kindness and respect. Though she will be deeply missed, Mary’s love wisdom and beautiful spirit will forever live on in the hearts of all who knew her. Mary was preceded in death by her daughter, Yolanda Washington; her brother, Richard Simon; and her sisters, Lou Ethel Simon Jacobs, and Janice Simon. Mary leaves to cherish her precious memories: her loving daughter, Rosalyn (Will); her devoted son, Sheldon (India); and her seven beloved grandchildren, Dominic Hall, Eric Smalls, Ariel, Azariah, Simeon, Gabriel, and Josiah Washington. She is also survived by her four sisters, Parri (Nate), Lottie, Lorraine, and DeAnn (Victor); her two brothers, Rodney Simon, and Jimmy Chisolm (Girdline), sister-in-law Sydnora Simon; along with a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family members, dear friends, and church members. Mary’s life was a blessing, her memory a treasure, and her love a gift that will remain forever in our hearts. Submitted with love

*Submitted with love
The Family*

You were my Superwoman. No obstacles were too hard for you to handle!
I’ve watched you go through so many struggles and trials in your life, through it all, you have always remained strong and steadfast in the Lord.
I’ve always admired your strength, courage, beauty and everything that makes you who you are. You were so many things to so many people. I pray that I inherit your strength. I pray that I carry your grace through the ups and downs of life. I will miss you so much Mom. I’ll feel your absence every day. I want you to know that my heart is with you.
I love you so much. Rest in Paradise.

Dear Mom,

Rosalyn

