

Celebration of Life
for



Christine Craven McNeil

Sunrise: October 5, 1926 - Sunset: April 30, 2023

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2023

Wake: 9:30 a.m. Service: 10:00 a.m.

**THE CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH
OF BALTIMORE CITY**

2031 W. Baltimore Street | Baltimore, Maryland

Rev. Rodney T. Morton, *Officiating Pastor*





Obituary

CHRISTINE MCNEIL, daughter of Anna Craven Mciver and Raymond Craven, was born October 5, 1926 in Greensboro, North Carolina. She departed the life on Sunday, April 30, 2023 in Baltimore, Maryland.

She married the late Lee Connie McNeil at a young age and moved to Baltimore, Maryland. They resided at 2117 West Lexington Street for over 65 years. She worked as a housekeeper for many years.

Mrs. McNeil was a long-time member of Central Baptist Church in Baltimore, Maryland, where she was an Usher and was involved in many other church activities. She loved going on trips with church members and going shopping at Lexington Market. Mrs. McNeil would travel to Myrtle Beach every year with her sisters.

She shared her home with her devoted grandson Emanuel Parker who dutifully cared for her daily needs and her favorite dog Brandy. Her nephew Greg would visit almost every day, often ran errands and completed small house repairs. Of her many friends, no one was more devoted than Mary Kelly, commonly known as "Ms. Mary." The two of them could be seen out and about almost anywhere shopping or eating in Baltimore. Ms. Mary personally attended to her daily needs - acquired her to doctor appointments and brought over dinners on Saturdays and all holidays.

Christine and her sisters were the co-founders of the Craven Reunion, started in Baltimore, Maryland in 1979. The Craven Reunion is still going strong today and continues to grow.

Her sisters Mozell Leak and Mattie Harris, brother Tom Craven and children Cynthia Simmons and Anthony McNeil, all preceded her in death. She leaves to cherish her memory: her daughter, Andrea Rogers and son-in-law, Steve Rogers; daughters-in-law, Cynthia McNeil, Joyce McNeil and Elzina McNeil; sons, Joseph, James, Lee, Connie Jr. and Warren; her niece, Jessie Cole; nephew, Danny Cole of Sanford, NC; grandchildren, Devona (Parker) McCoy, (late Howard Parker), Emanuel Parker, Berlin (Parker) Stokes, Joseph McNeil, Kimberly (McNeil-Wooden), Naquetta Simrnons, Jeanetta McNeil, James McNeil Jr., Keith McNeil, Kevin McNeil, Lee McNeil III, Corlethia, (Denie), Warren McNeil Jr., Cora (McNeil) Menefee and Cornelius McNeil; many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Order of Service

OPENING HYMN *"The Solid Rock"*

SCRIPTURE

Old Testament - Lam 3:21-26 Rev. Mary E. Kelly
New Testament - John 14:1-6 Min. Vanessa Markley

INVOCATION Rev. Kendall Shoats, Sr.

USHERS MEMORIAL MARCH

SELECTION

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS Sis. Jewel Kesler

CHURCH RESOLUTION

OBITUARY Sandra Pretlow

SOLO Sister Margaree Lee

WORDS OF COMFORT *(two minutes please)*

- Deacon Clarence Massey, Deac. Ministry
- Sister Barbara Mitchell, Usher Pres.
- Dana James, Nurse
- Ugboa Esochogni, Nurse
- Pastor Gary Harrison, Lighthouse Ministry Church
- Pastor Brenda Harrison, Lighthouse Ministry Church

SOLO..... Dr. Winston R. Gray

EULOGY Pastor Morton

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL



*A light from our lives has gone, a voice we love is still,
A place vacant within our hearts, never can be filled
to walk with us throughout our lives.
So rest in peace, Mother.*

*Lovingly submitted,
Your Sons*



*Grandma, we love you.
We still have so many memories of you.*

*Lovingly submitted,
The Grandchildren*



FROM YOUR LOVING DAUGHTER

*Mother, I will miss our long talks on the phone and
some of the fun times we had. Mother, rest in peace now.*

*Your Loving Daughter,
Andrea*





Interment

Garrison Forest Veterans Cemetery
11501 Garrison Forest Road
Owings Mills, Maryland

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Pallbearers

Grandsons

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Acknowledgement

The family gratefully acknowledges the many kind and beautiful expressions of sympathy and love shown during its hour of bereavement.

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Repast

The Central Baptist Church of Baltimore City
2031 W. Baltimore Street | Baltimore, MD

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Professional Services Entrusted to:

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