



Coralie H. Batson

May 5, 1930 - May 6, 2019

Coralie Virginia Harris Batson, of Dover, Delaware, celebrated her 89th birthday on May 5, 2019, while being a resident of the Silver Lake Center. She was the daughter of the late Clifton H. and Margaret S. Harris. On Monday, May 6, she quietly departed this life at 8:55 a.m.

Coralie received her early education through the 9th grade at the Phillis Wheatley Elementary School in Bridgeville. The following two years, she attended Frederick Douglass, in Seaford and her high school years in Dover at the State College for Colored Students, now known as Delaware State University.

In 1951, Coralie married Samuel B. Batson. From this union Inez, Brenda, Carletta, Constance, Samuel II, and Joseph were born.

Coralie accepted Christ at an early age at Mt. Calvary United Methodist Church, Bridgeville, under the pastorage of the late Reverend Daniel G. Waters. She served faithfully. She represented the young adults at several conventions. After her marriage, her membership changed. She became a fully committed and dedicated member of the East Clarence Street Church of God, where she belonged to the mass choir and served on the usher board. Following her husband, who became an employee of the Dover Air Force Base, the family relocated to Dover. She continued her spiritual growth at New Hope United Holy Church, Hartly, under the watchful eye of the late Reverend George M. Cuthbertson. There she was the church secretary, a Trustee, member of various choirs and an usher.

Coralie was employed at the Peebles Department Store, Seaford. She was the first black cashier in that chain of stores. After 24 1/2 years at the Dover Air Force Base Commissary as a cashier, she retired. Being out of the work force for several years, Coralie eventually returned to work and became a judiciary file clerk for the State of Delaware in the Family Court department. Coralie's pastime was traveling. A few places that she visited included: Hawaii, Puerto Rico, St. Thomas, St. Martin, Aruba, the Bahamas, London, and Jerusalem and multiple states within the USA. With the help of her mother, co-workers, family, and friends, she started an international wall of over 300 mugs. She will be remembered for her expertise – SEWING! She sewed professionally and fashioned her designs with style, class and don't forget those beautiful hats.

Her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren were her pride and joy. Cooking large family dinners when they all could be together, pleased her unconditionally. She did whatever she could for her children, no questions asked. Coralie was a no-nonsense person and that characteristic benefitted so many as she gained their respect.

Preceding her in death, were her parents; husband; and two brothers, Carroll and Robert "Pete" Harris. Those cherishing her memories are her children; two sons-in-law, Bishop Lester Jones and Bishop Asa Armbrister; nine grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; one brother, Daniel Harris (Bettye); sisters, Augusta Carr-Ross, Cleo Blake, and Mary Lee Thompson; goddaughter, Jayne Carr Alexander, and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. Mom to her children, mom-mom to her grands, mee-mom to her great-grands, Aunt Coralie, Ms. Batson, will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Tribute Wall

MW

“ I’m so sorry for your loss. Jesus Christ boldly promised: Just as the Father raises the dead up and makes them alive, so the Son also makes those alive whom he wants to. Do not marvel at this, because the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his [Jesus] voice and come out.” (John 5:21, 28, 29)

Ms Woodson - May 27, 2019 at 01:28 PM

SH

“ To The Family, May the Lord bless and comfort the family during this time of grief. My deepest sympathy goes out to each of you. May God give you the comfort and peace that you seek and may Sis. Batson rest in peace. We are confident that Paul says in 2 Cor 5:1-8 For we walk by faith, not by sight. We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord. We all loved her, but God loved her best... My thoughts and prayers are with you and for you...With Love and heartfelt sympathy, your sister In Christ. Pastor Sheila Harrigan, Middletown, DE

Sheila Harrigan - May 12, 2019 at 09:02 PM

MW

“ To the family my prayers and sympathy, keep the memories close and know God is able to bring comfort to your hearts. Sister Malinda Wilcox

Malinda Fletcher Wilcox - May 12, 2019 at 05:11 PM

HF

“ My deepest condolences for the loss of your dear loved one. While nothing will completely take away your grief, by meditating on Gods promises found in the Bible, you can find real hope and the strength to keep going. My family and I have found the scripture at Isaiah 25:8 to be especially comforting. Here it promises that God "will swallow up death forever and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces.”

H. Fields - May 12, 2019 at 09:56 AM

IR

“ Sorry for your loss of a loved one. Read Isaiah 61:1,2 for words of comfort and peace.

Irene - May 11, 2019 at 11:26 AM

DC

“ Prayers of comfort and strength to family and friends. I worked with Coralie at Dover AFB Commissary many years ago.
Dorothy I Cale
Hopewell VA

Dorothy I Cale - May 10, 2019 at 09:44 PM

SU

“ I'm so sorry for your loss, may the God of all comfort be with your family during this most difficult time Please find comfort from God's word. (2Thessalonians 2:16, 17) (2Corinthians 1:3, 4) Hosea 13:14. My deepest sympathy go out to the family.

Suzette - May 10, 2019 at 11:41 AM

JO

“ Please accept my heartfelt condolences on the loss of Coralie Batson your loved one. May the wonderful memories of your loved one continue to provide a measure of comfort to you until God's promise is fulfilled at Matthews 5: 5.

JoyceA - May 09, 2019 at 03:40 PM

PW

“ To the family, My sincere condolences in the passing of Coralie. Please find comfort in the words of Revelation 21:4, "And he (God) will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away."

Phyllis W. - May 09, 2019 at 11:23 AM

GR

“ Deepest condolences to your family at this most difficult time. May the many hugs caring thoughts and prayers be a source of comfort. May our heavenly Father provide much comfort and peace, Psalm 29:11

Gretta - May 07, 2019 at 08:01 PM