



## Ethel Mae Fountain

April 1, 1940 - December 11, 2021

On April 1, 1940, Ethel M. Fountain graced the lives of the late William M. and Ivory F. Fountain, in Seaford, Delaware.

Ethel was educated in a segregated Seaford school system. She attended Frederick Douglass School and was a 1958 graduate of the William C. Jason Comprehensive High School. She never married or had children, so she claimed all of her nieces and nephews as her children. She also treated her beloved “doggies” like babies.

Ethel worked at The Stockley Center for 33 years, as an attendant to the chronically ill. She had a passion for helping those dealing with illness and went so far as to open her home up to children with disabilities.

Ethel was a member of Macedonia A.M.E. Church in Seaford, Delaware. She was known for her creative ideas for fundraising for the church. There was no one more dedicated and focused on her goals than Ethel M. Fountain. She met every goal she set out to achieve. Ethel enjoyed spending time with her church family and would bend over backwards to help in any way she could to assist in the betterment of Macedonia A.M.E. Church and kingdom building.

Ethel’s hobbies were collecting antique furniture and furnished her home with the gems she happened to find. She was also a collector of black Santa

Clauses and angels. Ethel enjoyed her time with her family and her co-workers. She would have barbecues and parties at her home or at local venues in the area where she wanted everyone to get plenty to eat and have a good time.

On Saturday, December 11, 2021, Ethel left her earthly tabernacle for a building made from God, surrounded by family. She joined those who had gone on before her which included her parents; siblings, William E. Fountain, Charles W. Fountain, Hazel Webb-Tokley and Rosena Cannon.

Ethel leaves to rejoice in her homegoing, one sister, Betty J. Frazier of Philadelphia, PA; one sister-in-law, Beatrice Fountain-Bounds of Princess Anne, MD; 12 nieces and nephews, Charles J. Fountain (Kathleen), Ivy Webb, Louis Fountain, Ronald Fountain, Teri Webb, Victoria Fountain, whom she raised as her daughter, Christopher H. Webb (Charlene), Linda Webb, Donald Frazier, Stephon Fountain (Leslie), Chanca Russ and Kasson; two godchildren, Bobby Bowden and Amber Cannon; beloved friends and caregivers, Carolyn Banks and Joan Banks; close friends, Sharon Davis, Ida Holland, Willa McNair and Lillian Taylor; and a host of other family members and friends.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 18. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Macedonia AME Church (Seaford)  
431 N. North Street  
Seaford, DE 19973

## Funeral Service

DEC 18. 12:00 PM (ET)

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431 N. North Street  
Seaford, DE 19973

## Interment

DEC 18 (ET)

Mt. Calvary United Methodist Church Cemetery  
Calvary Lane (Middleford)  
Seaford, DE 19973

# Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

**Bennie Smith Funeral Home** - December 16, 2021 at 04:28 PM



“ *Ms. Ethel will be missed. If at anytime I needed a ride to work she would pick me up. And anytime I saw her it was always a wonderful conversation. The sweetest woman I know.*



**Dedra Handy** - December 20, 2021 at 07:05 PM



“ *Tina Marine lit a candle in memory of Ethel Mae Fountain*



**Tina Marine** - December 18, 2021 at 03:56 PM



“ *Ethel was my classmate and friend since 7th Grade at Frederick Douglass School in Seaford, Delaware. We shared so many fond memories. She was a special person. She loved and was so loved by all who knew her. She will be missed. Until we meet again my Friend. Pat Randall-Oakland, California*

**Patricia Randall** - December 18, 2021 at 11:29 AM

TL

“ *Godspeed Ms.Ethel. Great neighbor for 20+ years,always a big smile and a friendly wave.*



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**Todd Lowe** - December 17, 2021 at 11:56 AM

LH

“ *Lori Hill lit a candle in memory of Ethel Mae Fountain*



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**Lori Hill** - December 16, 2021 at 08:54 AM

BB

“ *Brinda Bailey lit a candle in memory of Ethel Mae Fountain*



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**Brinda Bailey** - December 15, 2021 at 07:41 PM

KR

“ *Kimberly Ricketts lit a candle in memory of Ethel Mae Fountain*



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**Kimberly Ricketts** - December 14, 2021 at 01:08 PM

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“ To the entire Fountain family you all have our deepest sympathy 🙏  
☹️ We were so sadden to hear the loss of this beautiful soul. Ms Ethel was so sweet, kind, always having that beautiful smile that could lighten up any room. The Last I actually saw her I was home, and she stopped, and pulled up in front of my mom's house to speak with me with that beautiful smile asking how I was doing, and my husband Cedric as well I replied with a smile" we're doing well." I never forget when I first meant her poodle Hersey. She loved her some Hersey, I would say aww he's so adorable, she would say here take him home with you lol knowing Hersey wasn't going lol.. we both laughed. We had a love for our poodles for sure. 😍 RIH.. A word of encouragement to the family. Strengthen those that remain. The word of God tell us we don't weep like those that have no hope. Ms. Ethel believed, and trusted in the Lord. Although she's no longer here, she's now in the presence of the Lord. Family looking unto Jesus who is the Author and the Finisher of our Faith. Be encouraged today and in the days to come. The Joy of the Lord is your strength 💪 in Jesus name amen. 🙏 We love you Cedric, and Kim Ricketts ❤️

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Kimberly Ricketts - December 14, 2021 at 01:03 PM