



Ms. Ethlyn Keturah McLean

July 5, 1939 - February 26, 2025

Ethlyn K. McLean (known fondly to many as Mac) was a loving and caring mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and friend. She left this world suddenly on February 26, 2025 at age 85.

She was born on July 5, 1939 to the late Egerton and Frances McLean, in the Tydixon District of St. Catherine, Jamaica West Indies. As a young girl, she attended Camperdown Primary School in St. Catherine.

Ethlyn later relocated to Kingston, Jamaica where she worked as a cook for several years. It was there she met her dear departed friend Hazel Ferguson. During this time, she accepted Jesus as her Saviour and was baptized. She was an active member of Church of God in Kingston. She would go every Sunday evening to the local hospital, praying for the sick. During the weeknights, she would go with members of the church and have "Street services", where many accepted Jesus.

In 1967, Ethlyn migrated to the United States to the Barnett family, where she worked as a cook. During this time, on her days off, she attended school to become a nursing assistant. After completing these classes, she began working in a nursing home, doing this for several years. Being a very ambitious person, Ethlyn wanted to further advance her career in nursing and went back to school. She was accepted into the University of the District of Columbia, along with her best friend Hazel, where she completed her nursing degree and subsequent RN Board Certification in 1982. Doing all of this while holding down a full-time job.

Ethlyn went on to work at Suburban Hospital, located in Bethesda, MD, from 1971 through 2011 when she retired.

Ethlyn loved her family very much. She helped her sisters, brother and two close friends to also migrate to the United States.

Ethlyn loved to cook. Her dream was to open a restaurant but wasn't able to fulfill this during her lifetime. Some of her favorite scriptures are Psalms 23, Psalms 27, Psalms 46: 1-3. She loved football and her favorite team is the Washington Redskins.

Ethlyn is survived by her three daughters: Pauline Nairne, Dian Andries and Georgette Scott-Nash. Eight grandchildren: Renita Jones-Saltibus, Natasha and Deryka Nairne, Aaron and Joshua Andries, Gabrielle Watt, Christopher Joseph and Nicholas Scott. Five great-grandchildren: Nehemiah and Trinity Saltibus, Shyiera Reyes, Tatiana Colton and Athyna Fleming. Many nieces, nephews, cousins, her St. John United Baptist Church family and a host of friends who will never forget the love and joy she brought into their lives. Her loving way and caring heart will always be missed.

Cemetery Details

George Washington Cemetery

9500 Riggs Rd
Adelphi, MD 20783
(301) 434-4640

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Emory United Methodist Church
6100 Georgia Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20011
(202) 723-3130

Funeral service

MAR 21. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Stacy and BJ Sanders purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Ms. Ethlyn Keturah McLean.



Stacy and BJ Sanders - March 20, 2025 at 03:33 PM

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“ Renewal Church purchased the Heavenly Heights Bouquet for the family of Ms. Ethlyn Keturah McLean.



Renewal Church - March 19, 2025 at 12:03 AM