



## Adelaide N Harris

March 21, 1922 - January 17, 2024

Adelaide Northington Harris was born on March 21, 1922, to the parents of the late Essie Mae Northington and Eddie Davis in Mecklenburg County, Virginia. She was an only child.

Adelaide was educated in the Mecklenburg County Public Schools. At an early age,

Adelaide relocated from Mecklenburg County, VA to Newport News, Virginia.

She later

moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania before finally making her home in Washington, D.C.

She was married to the late Saint John Harris.

Adelaide worked in various jobs, before her career began with the Federal Government.

She worked in the District of Columbia Government Mayor's Office as a Supervisor in the

Housekeeping Department. While there she earned numerous awards. She also worked at the

District of Columbia Armory/National Guard. While working during the day, Adelaide attended

Garnett Patterson High School in Washington, DC and studied to become a licensed

cosmetologist.

Adelaide loved to spend time and travel with family and friends. She often confessed that the places traveled to and the people that she had met along the way would not have been experienced, if not for her family and friends. She had a strong, feisty, fashionable, very independent spirit and believed in hard work to obtain the things that she wanted and needed in life.

She joined the Metropolitan Baptist Church on R Street, NW, Washington, DC and remained a member until her death. Her Metropolitan Family honored her on her 99th, 100th, and 101st Birthday. She was excited to receive congratulatory letters from President Joe Biden and Mayor Muriel Bowser on her 100th Birthday. Adelaide was also honored by her Church and Family as being the oldest church and family member. She was truly proud of her age. She mentioned that it was only by the grace of God to have allowed her not only longevity but a quality of life. Indeed, she was blessed and truly will be missed. Adelaide leaves to cherish her memory a host of cousins, other relatives and friends, a devoted friend Geraldine Gabriel, Goddaughter, LaShun O'Bryant, and her Metropolitan Baptist Church family.

# Cemetery Details

## Cedar Hill Cemetery

4111 Pennsylvania Ave  
Suitland, MD 20746

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JAN 30.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Metropolitan Baptist Church  
1200 Mercantile Ln  
Largo, MD 20774  
(202) 238-5000

## Service

**JAN 30.** 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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Largo, MD 20774  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Launa Ogburn lit a candle in memory of Adelaide Harris*



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**Launa G. Ogburn** - January 29, 2024 at 09:41 PM

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“ *My / Our deepest sorrow for your loss and Heaven's gain of Adelaide. She lived ... she loved. I never saw a sad face from Adelaide nor a tear ... always a smile and upward lip position. A Century Years Old 1. Longevity makes a "Family" Proud. Continual Blessings to the Family. Launa G. Ogburn and Dr. Cameron A. Gache'tt sends.*

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**Launa G. Ogburn** - January 29, 2024 at 09:35 PM

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“ *Adelaide ... "Travel every chance you Get!" Tap shoes ... You've GOT Rhythm. Age 101 ... a Century 1! You Made IT! Launa and Cameron sends. Miss You already.*

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**Launa G. Ogburn** - January 29, 2024 at 09:27 PM



“ We the March Family and Marshall-March Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

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**Marshall-March Funeral Homes** - January 24, 2024 at 05:07 PM