



Annie Mae Turner Randall

January 22, 1925 - August 16, 2021

CELEBRATION OF LIFE for Annie T. Randall

In lieu of flowers, please contribute to the Annie T. Randall Memorial Fund at <https://cfhoco.org/annie-t-randall-memorial-fund/> Or <https://bit.ly/AnnieRandallFund>. established to support programs that connect historically under-represented minority statisticians and students to expose them to and educate them about opportunities in the statistical sciences.

August 27, 2021 Homegoing Service, 11am-12pm, will be livestreamed at www.Kingdom.Global.

Annie Mae Turner Taylor Randall entered this world on January 22, 1925, in Greenwood, South Carolina, and transitioned on August 16, 2021. Born to the late Joel Turner and Sarah (Chin) Turner, Annie Mae dropped the "Mae" and became "Ann" when she entered the workforce with the US Federal government. Growing up in segregated Washington, DC, in a community now known as Capitol Hill, Ann met friends for life on Third and G Streets, Northeast. An outstanding student who never met a subject she did not like, Ann attended the Washington, DC public schools, excelled in all subjects, earned all A's, and skipped the eighth grade. She graduated from Dunbar High School and took undergraduate and graduate classes at American

University and the US Department of Agriculture.

A LIFE WELL LIVED

A trailblazer in her own right, Ann was a mathematical statistician at the National Institutes of Health's (NIH) National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH). Her work on the book "Human Aging" is still referenced today. She received several letters of commendation from many sources, including the University of Pennsylvania and the National Academy of Sciences. In recognition of Ann's pioneering statistical work, she was the featured keynote speaker in the "Hidden Figures" session for Howard County Library's Living History series in 2017.

One of Ann's celebrated milestones and highest recognitions came in an academic award that bears her name. The Annie T. Randall Innovator Award was established in 2020 by the Biometrics Statistics Section of the American Statistical Association (AMSTAT) and is co-sponsored by the Mental Health Statistics Section to recognize early-career statistical innovators. The award was presented on August 9, 2021, to inaugural recipient Dr. Loni Tabb, a biometric statistician and associate professor at Drexel University. As an African American female biometric statistician, Dr. Tabb honors Ann's groundbreaking path nearly 70 years ago in the 1950s amidst pervasive racism and discrimination. Ann, who could not participate in the August 9, 2021 award ceremony held virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic, was proud to issue a congratulatory statement, which was read on her behalf by her daughters, Laura Crandon and Susan Shorters.

Ann met the love of her life, William "Sonny" Randall, in 1953, and they married in 1957. Their proudest moments were the successes of their daughters, Susan and Laura, the birth of their five grandchildren, Marcus, Malcolm, Randall, Laurence, and Kamea, and three amazing great-grandchildren, Jayla, Sonny, and Noelle. Ann and Sonny celebrated family

and friends at their memorable cookouts at their home, which were known for their delicious food, side-splitting humor, legendary stories, impromptu talent shows, and a constant demonstration of love, laughter and appreciation. While Sonny departed this world on February 13, 2013, we know Ann always kept him close in her heart until they could be together again.

IN THE SPIRIT

Ann gave her life to Christ at an early age and led so many others to have an enduring life of faith through the witness of her love. She was a long-term member of Israel Baptist Church, where she served in many roles, including as a member of the Amaryllis Club. Following her daughters, she joined Ebenezer AME, Reid Temple AME, and Kingdom Fellowship AME Churches later in life—often recognized as the most senior mother on Mother's Day. As her mobility slowed, Ann looked forward to Holy Communion administered by the loving ministerial staff each month, striking up engaging conversations, encouraging the ministers, and singing songs.

Ann was always known for her smile, stories, laughter, humor, and hats, all done with her one-of-a-kind style, grace, and poise. Indeed, she was the iconic "Silver Fox" and "Life of the Party." She was not only a beloved mother-to-all but also an endearing friend. Ann accumulated friends wherever she ventured and they always became friends for life. Ann and her two dearest friends, Carrie "Bella" Chapman (deceased) and Mary Wiggins (100 years old) had a friendship that spanned nine decades. To know Ann was to love Ann and never forget her.

"Ma," as she was affectionately called by extended family and the friends of her children and grandchildren, has been a mother to many people over the

years. Her house was the "Kool-Aid" house where all the children in the Temple Hills Gordon's Corner neighborhood always wanted to be, and they knew there always would be a seat at her table. A woman of unending faith, Ma was beloved and valued, and known for her sincerity, love, prayers, encouragement, and generosity. She was the true matriarch of her family, and as everyone who knew Ma knows, family was always paramount to her –she especially encouraged us to "know your roots" and respect our lineage.

A NEW ASSIGNMENT

Ma enjoyed spending time with family, laughing and telling stories, sharing life lessons, listening to "oldies" and Motown music, talking on the phone, going on "field trips," shopping, ordering items from her favorite stores, and waiting until the many packages arrived! Indeed, she lived a rich, long, joyous, and active life filled with love, laughter, family, friendships. A true blessing!

We will miss Ma dearly! Her love, hugs, smile, wisdom, encouragement, stories, and side-splitting humor are etched in our hearts and memories. Yet, we know the seeds that she deposited in each of us will continue to grow and that her love and legacy will live on in us. Rest in peace, Ma; the seeds you planted are many and we will nurture them as you taught us. They will multiply, magnify and bear a harvest worthy of your investment of love and care. You will be in our hearts, always, and we will forever love you! Go now to your "New Assignment " in a heavenly and majestic place.

Ma leaves to cherish and carry out her legacy, daughters Susan Shorters and Laura Crandon (Heston); grandchildren Marcus Sands (Destiny), Malcolm Randall (Monique), Randall Crandon, Laurence Crandon, and Kamea Shorters; Great-grandchildren Jayla, Sonny, and Noelle; and a multitude of extended family and friends.

Cemetery Details

Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery-Cheltenham

11301 Crain Highway
Chletenham , MD 20623

Previous Events

Viewing

AUG 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Kingdom Fellowship AME Church
12101 Tech Road
Silver Spring , MD 20904

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Annie Mae Turner Randall*

October 23, 2023 at 08:15 AM



“ *We remember your mother when we were young children as being very warm, kind and loving. May her memory always be a blessing and a source of peace.*

Joan, Richard, Joel and Robin Greenhouse

Joel Greenhouse - September 14, 2021 at 10:25 AM



“ *Sharing your sadness as you prepare to say goodbye to you love one. May the support of a family and friends be a source of strength and the god of comfort a refuge in your time of sorrow. Truly sorry for your loss.*

Evans family - August 25, 2021 at 12:25 PM



“ *Our sincerest condolences to the family of Annie Randall. We send our love to you all during this time.*

*Love,
David, April, and Ryan Moore*

April R. Randall - August 21, 2021 at 07:14 PM

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“ *Heston, Laura & Susan purchased the Reflections of Gratitude Casket Spray for the family of Annie Mae Turner Randall.*



Heston, Laura & Susan - August 21, 2021 at 12:17 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.*

Marshall-March Funeral Homes - August 20, 2021 at 11:22 AM