



Barbara Watkins Hagans

October 29, 1946 - October 18, 2018

Barbara Jean Watkins' journey began as the daughter of the late Johnnie and Sarah Watkins. Barbara was born on October 29, 1946 in Washington, DC and departed this life on October 18, 2018 after a lengthy illness.

Educated in the DC Public School system, Barbara attended Charles Young Elementary School, Brown Junior High School and Spingarn High School. She then attended Howard University from 1964 to 1968. Barbara's career began at the Metropolitan Police Department in 1968 where she met the man who would become her husband, Leon Hagans. They married in June 1970. From this union two daughters were born, Leslie and Lynn.

In the early 1970's, Barbara began working for the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs as a contract representative. In this capacity, she was responsible for assisting several licensing boards, including nursing, pharmacy, physical therapy and cosmetology.

As personable as Barbara was, she made numerous friends and will be missed by everyone who knew her. She dedicated her life to family and community service, often mixing both. As the family historian, Barbara traced our family tree and, among the many branches, discovered that we have a Buffalo Soldier in our lineage. Barbara volunteered with many organizations like the No Greater Love Foundation that provided help to military persons and their families, the Multiple Sclerosis Society, Friends of the Library, and the Montford Point Marine Association. Often enlisting her family to also participate and volunteer, Barbara taught us the value of helping others. In

addition to the organizations in which she served, Barbara established the We Can Mentor Group for adolescents, which provided mentoring, educational support, college preparation and cultural experiences for young people. Barbara leaves to mourn her husband Leon, daughters Leslie and Lynn, brother Calvin, and sister Joan. She also leaves four special sisters-in-law, Maureen, Linda, Bonnie, and Lynn; two brothers-in-law Ivan and Anthony; four devoted first cousins, Jaqueline, Nadine, Marva and Margaret; two nieces, Caleah and Candice; three great nieces and one great nephew; and a host of other family and friends.

Cemetery Details

Maryland Veterans Cemetery

RT 301
Cheltenham, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Providence St. John Baptist Church
5607 Old Crain Highway
Upper Marlboro , MD 20772

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Watkins Hagens*

October 23, 2023 at 08:15 AM



“ *Leslie Hagens lit a candle in memory of Barbara Watkins Hagens*



Leslie Hagens - February 09, 2019 at 12:27 AM



“ *Tim Waters sent a virtual gift in memory of Barbara Watkins Hagens*



Tim Waters - October 28, 2018 at 02:03 PM



“ *Sorry For Your Loss
Jesus Christ Loves Me
We Are Special*



Thomas Widgeon - October 27, 2018 at 06:43 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 - October 26, 2018 at 01:48 PM