



## Blanche R Redd

April 20, 1931 - November 17, 2023

Blanche was the youngest of 7 children born to the late John and Catherine Johnson. All siblings have preceded her in death.

Blanche graduated from Cardoza High School, Washington DC. She was an honor student, member of the cadets and marching band.

Her marriage to Joseph Beauford (deceased) produced three children a daughter, Valarie and two sons, Clyde and Mark (both deceased). She later married John Redd (deceased).

Blanche's accomplishments in life were many. She was member of the Mother's Club for the Boys Club of DC and treasurer of fund raising, attended Hood College traveling home every weekend to take care of her children and husband and successfully acquired her certificate of teaching, teaching and inspiring young children in Capital Head Start Program, receiving many awards. After retirement from Head Start but not from life she pursued and obtained a license in cosmetology from Calvinade Beauty Academy, she also was a member of Suitland Civic Association holding positions as secretary and treasurer. Her church and community service were a common thread woven into her DNA. The love of God overflowed within her spirit sustaining her throughout her life and she transferred that overflow of love to her family. She was gracious, honorable, and respectful. Small in stature, so grand and powerful in the spirit of loving and giving. What an "AWAWESOME MOTHER"

she was. Blanche was an active dedicated member of the Sodality which she held many positions during her time of service at St. Bernadine.

Left to cherish her loving memory: her daughter, Valarie Clarke; 4 grandchildren Traci Toppin, Daniel Clarke, Shannon Beauford, and Cameron Beauford; 1 son in law, Qrlando Toppin ;12 great grandchildren, 3 great- great grandchildren -with one coming attraction soon; nieces, nephews and an abundance of cousins and personal friends; her church family at St. Bernadine's; and her Suitland community of friends and neighbors.

Gwen, we can talk to her at the same time now and we don't need Verizon.

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Lincoln Cemetery

3401 Bladensburg Road  
Brentwood, MD 20722

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 30. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Bernardine Catholic Church  
2400 Brooks Drive  
Suitland, MD

## Service

NOV 30. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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2400 Brooks Drive  
Suitland, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ 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** - November 27, 2023 at 04:10 PM