



Mary G. Winfry

March 12, 1935 - January 23, 2024

Mary G. Winfry was born in Washington, NC on March 12, 1935 to the late Doris Griffin (Bryant) and James Bryant. She graduated from P.S. Jones High School in Washington, NC in 1955 and received her Bachelor's degree in Health Science in 1972 from Rockland Community College. She was employed at Rockland Psychiatric Center in Orangeburg, NY for 32 years as an occupational therapist. Not only did she take care of patients, but she also helped to grow the gardens on the grounds for healthier eating by planting collards, string beans, okra, tomatoes, spinach, and many other vegetables.

In June of 1963, she accepted Christ at the New Covenant Church in New York City, New York. On May 31, 1997, Mary married Tommie C. Winfry. After moving to Virginia, she joined New Hope Baptist Church in 2006 under the leadership of interim Pastor Frank Guns. She was faithful in her service at New Hope with the Music Ministry by singing in the choir and participating in the Praise Dance Ministry for Seniors.

Mary loved to sew, do needlepoint, crochet, and knit. She enjoyed cooking for her family and the church. She loved spending lots of time with family and friends and enjoyed shopping and collecting coins. She was known for her sweet potato pies and homemade grape wine. In her quiet time, she enjoyed watching "Heat of the Night," "Walker Texas Ranger" and "The Young and the Restless."

Mary was predeceased by her Aunts Ella Midgett and Emma Griffin and her Uncle Willy Griffin.

Mary leaves to cherish her memory her children Joyce M. Whitley, Jerry Whitley, Marnal Whitley, Shulton Whitley, Wescotie Whitley, and Vanessa (McCoy) White (Terry), grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Mary's last days were spent at home surrounded by her family. She will be truly missed by all who knew her.

Previous Events

Service

FEB **10**. 12:00 PM (ET)

New Hope Baptist Church (St. Julian Creek)
1317 Gust Lane
Chesapeake, VA

Tribute Wall

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“ *To the Winfry Family: We pray that God's love, comfort, strength and peace rest upon all as you navigate this difficult season.*
Deacon Raymond & Rose Fields

Raymond Fields - February 10, 2024 at 09:05 AM

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“ *I will always be grateful for the warm friendship Sister Mary Winfry brought to my life. I am praying for her family*



Rev Joyce Foster - January 28, 2024 at 05:22 PM