



Ms. Betty Anita Cox

November 4, 1929 - January 10, 2020

On January 10, 2020, after a long and very remarkable life, God saw fit to call Betty Cox home. She was a graduate of Huntington High School, Class of 1947.

She was one of the first black women appointed to the Newport News Police Force in 1952. She graduated from Dixie Hospital School of Nursing in 1958 and was a staff nurse at Langley AFB Hospital for 28 1/2 years, until her retirement in December 1989. She has a long history of volunteering including Peninsula Domestic Violence Center Women's Shelter, and The Adult Literacy Program as a GED Prep Instructor. She was an active member of Faith Baptist Church where she was a member of the choir and served as a trustee.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Charlotte Small, and sons, Alfred Johnson, Jr., and Darryl Cox.

She leaves to cherish her memories, four sons, Jerome Johnson, Larry Johnson (Adrienne), Kevin Cox, and Lionel Cox (Helen), 23 grandchildren, 38 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren; a brother, Alphonso Small (Elaine), a sister, Barbara Small, and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Hampton Memorial Gardens

155 Butler Farm Road
Hampton, VA 23666

Previous Events

Public Viewing (Cox)

JAN 17. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

M.E. Fisher Funeral Home
2117 Madison Avenue
Newport News, VA 23607

Funeral (Cox)

JAN 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

Faith Baptist Church
3309 Madison Ave
Newport News, VA, VA 23607

Burial (Cox)

JAN 18. 2:30 PM (ET)

Hampton Memorial Gardens
155 Butler Farm Road
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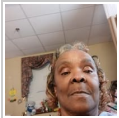
Tribute Wall



“ *M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Betty Anita Cox*



M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. - January 16, 2020 at 09:47 AM



Absolutely beautiful!!!! Wonderful tribute for a special lady.

Sharlene Jones - January 17, 2020 at 02:13 PM

GJ

What a wonderful way to remember Ms Cox whose love is know and experienced by many. I'm blessed to have shared in her life . Thank you Lord for her bright light and giving heart of love. Sincerely in Christ Cliff and Gwen Jones.

Gwendolyn Jones - January 18, 2020 at 09:31 AM

CS

“ *I will miss the conversations I would have from time to time with my Great Aunt that I was named after. She was loving and generous and always extending herself to help someone in need. I'm glad I could assist her with those endeavors when I could and wish we had more time together. Rest now Aunt Betty. Condolences and prayers for the rest of my family... Love from Chaundra Anita Smith.*

Chaundra Anita Smith - January 19, 2020 at 03:16 PM

KA

“ *She was the best grandmother anyone could ask for. She gave me so much love and encouragement. I am really going to miss calling her for everything! Sleep well now we love you always*❤️

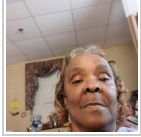
Kisha Allen - January 18, 2020 at 03:48 PM

MB

“ *Dear Mrs Cox was a very sweet and elegant lady who easily touched your heart. We never got to go out and eat as we planned, but we did get to shop a little at Farmer's Market where she'd buy her famous Turkey necks just like she liked them. I love people like her who proudly spread their wisdom. She will be missed. With all of her alkalades she lived a very simple life. I hope the unifies sing at her service. That would be very special.*



Mary Bates - January 17, 2020 at 04:14 PM



“ I remember meeting Mrs. Betty Cox many many years ago when she lost her son Lionel (who was a buddy of mine). I met her first through my neighbors her son Larry(Rock) and her daughter in law Adrienne. who were very close with her. She was a very special and gracious lady. She and I developed a beautiful relationship because she was caring and shared her wisdom and knowledge freely. I was going to college for Human Services at the time and she and I shared identical interest in helping and supporting others. She also raised some wonderful sons. I am praying for the family and her friends during this time of their loss. You can rest now Ms. Betty because you have fulfilled your obligations to the Lord and your family and friends and the community. Thank you for being a positive light for us to follow. Sharlene(Sherry) Jones



Sharlene Jones - January 17, 2020 at 12:35 PM

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My Deepest Condolences Martha Osborne Hughes

Martha Osborne Hughes (Redd) - January 17, 2020 at 07:29 PM

KA

It was Darryl not Lionel.

Kisha Allen - January 18, 2020 at 03:44 PM

PD

“ *Policy and Procedures Division purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Ms. Betty Anita Cox.*



Policy and Procedures Division - January 16, 2020 at 05:51 PM



“ *Multicolor Pastel Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Ms. Betty Anita Cox.*



January 16, 2020 at 03:44 PM



“ *30 files added to the album Life Tributes*



M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. - January 16, 2020 at 09:48 AM



“ *Red, White & Blue Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Ms. Betty Anita Cox.*



January 16, 2020 at 06:54 AM



“ *I love you grammy & will miss you dearly* 🧡🧡🧡

Keiyazia - January 15, 2020 at 10:45 PM

MS

“ *Gods speed to the Cox family, your in my families thoughts and prayers.*

Michael Skelly

Michael Skelly - January 15, 2020 at 07:15 AM