



Ms. Madia Frances Terry

February 21, 1942 - January 11, 2024

Madia Frances Finley Terry was born on February 21, 1942 in Bluefield, West Virginia to Melvin Finley and Ollie Briggs Finley. She had a fun time growing up with her cousins running around playing in the hills of West Virginia. While attending Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Frances gave her life to Christ at a young age. She later joined Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church, where she was a dedicated member using her gifts to serve. Frances was a dedicated Usher for 22 years, served on the Counting Committee for 20 years, and worked on the Kitchen Committee for 15 years. She loved the Lord and used her gifts and talents to labor for God's Kingdom.

She attended public schools in Bluefield, WV and graduated from Park Central High School. She attended Bluefield State College (now Bluefield State University). After relocating to Maryland, Frances met the love of her life and married Alonzo Lee Terry on October 22, 1966. Lonnie and Frances were married for 31 years. In 1978, they joyfully welcomed a son, Mark Anthony.

Over the years, Frances held careers in retail, banking, customer service, sales, and administration. Frances was an Avon Representative for several years and even after retiring, she worked at Target in her advanced senior years. Frances excelled in every endeavor and her work ethic was unparalleled.

To meet Frances was to love her. She was kindhearted and had a sweet-spirited personality. Frances had an adorable laugh and always greeted everyone with a smile. She exhibited a quiet strength and consistently cared for those she loved. Frances enjoyed traveling, shopping trips, and spending time with family. She was a great cook and everyone looked forward to savoring one of her home cooked meals, experiencing her German Chocolate Cake, and enjoying her delicious peanut butter cookies.

On May 25, 2007, Frances was blessed with a grandson. She found great pleasure being Mark Alonzo's "Grandma" and beamed whenever she spoke about him. He held a special place in her heart and that brought her much joy.

She was preceded in death by her husband Alonzo Terry, parents Melvin and Ollie Finley, and brother Alfred Finley.

Gone too soon, On January 11, 2024, Frances passed away.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB 3. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Pope Funeral Home Forestville Chapel
5538 MARLBORO PIKE
FORESTVILLE, MD 20747

Tribute Wall



“ *Pope Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Ms. Madia Frances Terry*



Pope Funeral Homes - February 03, 2024 at 02:52 PM

MD

*Ms Frances
You will be greatly missed. I appreciate knowing you for as long as I did. You were a beautiful soul. Sleep Peacefully*

Monique Davis - February 03, 2024 at 04:15 PM

MA

“ *Ms. Frances was my next-door neighbor for 10 years. She was a wonderful person who was kind, caring and always looked out for me. She celebrated holidays with me and my family. Ms. Frances will be greatly missed and always remembered fondly. My deepest condolences to the family. Mekea Anderson*

Mekea Anderson - February 03, 2024 at 08:26 PM

MD

“ *You will Be missed
Such an amazing soul
Sleep peacefully*

Monique Davis - February 03, 2024 at 04:17 PM



“ We love you Aunt Frances!!!

Marquita Lanier - February 03, 2024 at 03:06 PM



“ Ms. Madia, I will never forget you, such a sweet person with a heart of gold. Thank you for everything. I'm so sorry this happened. I was certain to do my yearly call. Time got away. I just wish I had called. rest now queen you did an amazing job.

Kimberly Berry - January 31, 2024 at 11:44 AM



My dear Francis
I will always cherish my
Beautiful memories. I
Look forward of seeing u
In the New System where
Death and sickness will be no more. 💕
Rev: 21: 3&4
Yvonne Pope Alexander

Yvonne P. Alexander - February 03, 2024 at 01:21 PM



“ I love you Aunt Frankie. I am glad we had a chance to talk & to hear your voice. My memories are full of laughter with you...

Angela Terry - January 30, 2024 at 02:46 PM



“ Karen Collins lit a candle in memory of Ms. Madia Frances Terry



Karen Collins - January 30, 2024 at 10:01 AM

LC

“ *She will be missed dearly. Her quite spirit & gentle ways brought joy to everyone who knew her loved her in life and love her now*

Lauren Claytor - January 28, 2024 at 11:13 AM

LC

“ *Lauren Claytor lit a candle in memory of Madia Terry*



Lauren Claytor - January 28, 2024 at 11:10 AM

DC

Missing that beautiful smile already. Love always. Darlene Collins

Darlene Collins - February 03, 2024 at 02:53 PM