



Antionette Cannady

June 12, 1938 - February 8, 2012

On Wednesday, February 8, 2012, Antionette Delores Cannady left her earthly body, succumbing to her fight with cancer. Antionette was at home in Alexandria, Virginia with her family when she passed where she had resided for the past 32 years. Mrs. Cannady was 73 years old and is preceded in death by her parents; Edward Barnes and Lucille Hawkins, a sister; Barbara Colter, daughter -in-law; Andrea Cannady, grandson; Jelani Cannady, mother in-law; Mabel Cannady, father-in-law; Marcus Cannady Sr, brothers in-law; Marcus Cannady Jr, and Thomas Cannady Sr., sisters in-law; Estelle Steptoe and Doris Cannady. Antionette was born on June 12, 1938 at Gallinger Municipal Hospital in South East Washington D.C. and educated in the D.C public school system. She married her husband of 58 years, John Cannady Sr. on August 29, 1954, at Holy Name Catholic Church. Their union produced four children; Sherman Charles (Rodney), John Cannady Jr. (Cherryl), Anthony Cannady (Brenda), Mark Cannady (Ernestine), nine grandchildren; John Cannady III (Mariel), Charmayne Charles, Cherie Small (Craig), Troy Charles (Chelsea), Tor Cannady, David Cannady, Anthony Cannady Jr., Emani Cannady, Nandi Cannady and five great grandchildren; Faylan Charles, Alexandria Charles, Shai Charles, Riece Charles, Elijah Small. She also leaves two sisters-in-law; Dorothy Hailstorkes (Charles) and Frances Cannady, plus a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, other relatives, friends and neighbors to cherish her memory. During her lifetime, Mrs. Cannady was a devoted Air Force wife she supported her husband as he served our country.

Antionette was a strong woman, who understood the unstated demands and lifestyle of the military family. She participated in countless civic activities. To reflect on just a few, she served as president of the NCO Wives Club, Red Cross volunteer, church volunteer, as director for the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD). She was directly and intimately involved in numerous activities with her children, to include being a scout leader for both Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts of America, room mother and president of Parent Teacher Association. She embraced the gift of life enjoying activities such as, the gospel ministry, floral arrangements, shopping, fashions, traveling and above all entertaining friends and family. Most assuredly, she was a diehard Redskins fan! The viewing and visitation will be held on Thursday, February 23, 2012 from 9:00 A.M. until time of service at 11:00 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 711 North Columbus Street, Alexandria, Virginia (map/directions). The committal will immediately follow in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia (map/directions). Repast at Saint Joseph's Catholic Church Hall following the interment. Arrangements by Phillip Bell Sr. and Winona Morrissette-Johnson P. A. The family would like to especially thank, Kim Jones, Elsa Castillo, VTAS Hospice Staff, St. Joseph's Catholic Church family, the Gospel Choir, Deacon Al Andersen, the pastor; Father Francis M. Hull and the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center Oncology Group in Bethesda, Maryland. Please send flowers directly to St. Joseph's Catholic Church, the day of the service. Memorial donation suggestion U.S. Military Cancer Institute/o the Henry M. Jackson Foundation for the Advancement of Military Medicine 1401 Rockville Pike, Suite 600 Rockville, MD 20852