



## Ms. Ethel Holt Washington

December 14, 1937 - June 26, 2024

Mrs. Ethel Holt Washington, 86, of Charleston SC entered eternal rest on Wednesday, June 26, 2024. She was a retired teacher from Baptist Hill High School of the Charleston County School District. Her children survive her: Charles Marvin Washington and Naomi Washington; granddaughter: Rhonda Brown; great-grandson: Tyrone Brown; and brother: Clinton Holt of Illinois. Her parents preceded her: Moses Holt, Sr., and Roney Snipes Holt. Viewing Friday, July 5, 2024, 4:00 -7:30 PM. The family will accept visitors from 6:00 -7:30 pm at Smith-McNeal Funeral Home - 2119 Dorchester Rd. - North Charleston, SC. Celebration of Life Service Saturday, July 6, 2024, 11:00 AM at Greater Zion AME Church, 4174 Hwy17 North Awendaw, SC 29429. Interment: Church Cemetery. The Service will be LIVE-STREAMED via the Smith-McNeal Funeral Home FACEBOOK PAGE!

# Cemetery Details

## Greater Zion A.M.E. Church Cemetery

4174 Highway 17 North  
Awendaw, SC 29429

# Previous Events

## Viewing

JUL 5. 4:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

W.M. Smith-McNeal Funeral Home, Inc. - North Charleston  
2119 Dorchester Road  
North Charleston, SC 29405  
(843) 722-3676  
[info@smithmcnealfh.com](mailto:info@smithmcnealfh.com)  
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## Celebration of Life Service

JUL 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Greater Zion AME Church  
4174 Highway 17 N  
Awendaw, SC 29429

# Tribute Wall

NW

“ Thank you to Mrs. Washington's church family and members of the Seventh Episcopal District, A.M.E. churches. She participated in the quarterly conferences, WMS Retreats, as a Trustee, Stewardess, Missionary, and as a Christian Educator through her lifelong commitment to the church. Your prayers and condolence messages have been greatly appreciated. Blessings, Naomi



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Naomi Washington - July 14, 2024 at 05:52 PM

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*For nearly 40 years, Mrs. Washington dedicated every day to Baptist Hill High School. She loved the "maroon and gray" and enjoyed being the student advisor to the Bobcat Star Newspaper, a longtime patron of Homecoming and Senior Class Trips and School Field Trips. Special thanks to former students, faculty, student advisors, and staff for your kind words. She loved teaching and her imprint was everywhere in her classroom. Pity the students who dared to arrive at her Homeroom, or English, or Honors, or Test Prep classes without their academic "paraphernalia". She tried to reach their minds and hearts with each lesson she taught, leaving traces of knowledge and expectation and a sense of discovery and decision-making for students to find their own internal compass toward achievement. "Shakespeare" was her favorite author who expressed life via the tragic drama of external and internal human conflicts.*

*Much appreciation to The Daughters of Isis-Arabian Court #128, George Washington Carver Assembly #163, and Order of the Eastern Star #41 for the memorial service and funeral participation. With gratitude, Naomi and family members.*

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**Naomi Washington** - July 14, 2024 at 02:19 PM

RP

“ *My deepest heartfelt sincere condolences to the family. You will be well missed by family, friends, church, and community.*



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**Rev. Peter H. Pinckney** - July 06, 2024 at 11:56 PM

LB

“ Ms. Washington was such a pleasure to work with at BHHS. She helped me so much when I first started teaching. Her help and guidance was invaluable. Prayers for the family.  
L. Burgess

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**LaDonna Burgess** - July 04, 2024 at 10:22 PM

DK

“ RIP Mrs. Washington. I did not know you personally. However, in our retired educators' meetings, I could tell that you were a special lady because of the way you exhibited such grace and class. We will miss your presence at our meetings.

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**Dr. Blondell Kidd** - July 03, 2024 at 07:30 PM

RR

“ May God provide you with treasured memories and comfort. I am grateful to have met this beautiful lady who exemplify grace and beauty bound with strikingly healthy thick hair.

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**Ruby Randall** - July 02, 2024 at 10:38 PM

EH

“ Eugenia Holmes lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ethel Holt Washington



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**Eugenia Holmes** - June 30, 2024 at 09:30 PM

FS

“ Mrs. Washington was very prim and proper. She was very firm and did not tolerate misbehaving in her class. She provided structure and guidance to all of the students she taught at BHHS. She was positive role model to the young female students. Many thanks to her for caring and dedicating herself to teaching us, the children of rural Charleston County.



Former / Grateful Student - June 29, 2024 at 07:39 PM

JP

Dear Ethel. We will miss you dearly but God has again chosen a flower for his garden. Thank you for always supporting me. Rest in eternal peace.

Jean Pinckney - July 01, 2024 at 11:13 AM

MS

Mrs. Washington was one of the best teachers that I have ever known and was a great asset to Baptist Hill High School students and the rural community. She was a dedicated and caring teacher with high standards. She recognized each student's strengths and abilities and nurtured them. A lady of grace and stature, Mrs. Washington inspired many of us to pursue a higher education not just with words but with deeds. She will forever be in my heart. May your hearts be comforted during this difficult time.

Margie Campbell Seabrook - July 05, 2024 at 03:00 PM

AH

“ Althea Holmes lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ethel Holt Washington



Althea Holmes - June 29, 2024 at 12:31 PM

SJ

“ Sabrina S Jenkins lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ethel Holt Washington



Sabrina S Jenkins - June 28, 2024 at 11:04 PM

BW

“ Ben & Evangeline Williams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ethel Holt Washington



Ben & Evangeline Williams - June 28, 2024 at 11:52 AM

EF

“ Our sincerest condolences to the family. May the peace, love and comfort of God be with you all during this difficult time. Mrs. Washington taught generations, to include my husband and I and my children. May she rest in peace.

Evangelist Helen J. Mungin & Family - June 28, 2024 at 08:20 AM

LP

“ Ms Washington was a firm serious teacher. She made show we was using proper grammar n speak well. Never be forgotten 🙏🙏☀️☀️  
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Lulamae Pinckney - June 28, 2024 at 04:54 AM

MS

*My prayers are being sent to the Washington Family during these trying times. Your job is to cling to each other. Support each other and all should cherish the fond memories of Ethel. I fondly remember her as a fine lady, a person of high morals and a teacher whose primary goal was to teach and for students to learn and carry that learning out all over the world to affect change. She was a dynamite persuasive individual. She coaxed me to go back to school and pursue a higher degree. She lived long after her profound words were followed. Thanks to my good friend, Mrs. Ethel Holt Washington for passing my way. Mattie P. Sanders, Co-worker of Ethel at Baptist Hill High School on Yonges, Island, SC.*

**Mattie P. Sanders** - June 30, 2024 at 10:43 AM

DW

*“ Mrs. Washington will always stand as one of my favorite teachers. She among others that promoted my gifts as a singer and artist. She was such an inspiration as she helped me gain exposure at both the Spoleto Arts and Moja Arts Festivals, pageants, and performances on the Air Force Base to name a few. She was remains as one of greatest examples of femininity through her style, grace and elegance. She will surely be missed and always loved. Rest well Madame.*



**Dr. Williams** - June 27, 2024 at 11:13 PM

SJ

*“ Shirley Jamison lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ethel Holt Washington*



**Shirley Jamison** - June 27, 2024 at 10:36 PM

RF

“ *The family has my condolences c/o 01*



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**Regina Fludd** - June 27, 2024 at 07:45 PM

BS

“ *My condolences and prayers to the family, friends and the BHHS Community. As a graduate of BHHS Class of 1984, I was not a student of hers, but she was everyone's teacher. She gave us her ALL at The Hill!*



**WE THANK YOU!**

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**Bernadette G. Seabrook** - June 27, 2024 at 07:00 PM

LA

“ *Louis & Sharon Ancrum lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ethel Holt Washington*



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**Louis & Sharon Ancrum** - June 27, 2024 at 03:43 PM

KL

“ *Krystle Linen lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ethel Holt Washington*



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**Krystle Linen** - June 27, 2024 at 02:36 PM

VH

“ *The family has my deepest sympathy. C/O 98 Baptist Hill High*



Virginia Harris - June 27, 2024 at 02:29 PM

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“ *Savetria Hamilton BHHS Class Of 1997 lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ethel Holt Washington*



Savetria Hamilton BHHS Class of 1997 - June 27, 2024 at 02:28 PM

AH

“ *Althea HamiltonGibbs lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ethel Holt Washington*



Althea HamiltonGibbs - June 27, 2024 at 01:38 PM

LO

“ *Lorena lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ethel Holt Washington*



Lorena - June 27, 2024 at 12:38 PM