

PALLBEARERS

Cory Starks
Joseph Tatum
Tyree Tucker
Brien Porter
Lenny Dance

Acknowledgments

The family of *Muriel E. Tatum* would like to express their sincere gratitude for your acts of kindness and consolation during their bereavement. Thank you all for your prayers, phone calls, visits, gifts of food, flowers and other expressions of love.

■ *The Family*

Services Entrusted To

Riley-Antoine Funeral Home
171 Humboldt Avenue
Dorchester, MA 02121
(617) 427-5625

www.rileyantoinefuneralhome.com

Interment

Knollwood Memorial Park
319 High Street – Canton, MA 02021

Celebration of Life For



Mrs. Muriel E. Tatum

SERVICES:

Friday – February 4, 2022

Viewing: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Saturday – February 5, 2022

Funeral Service: 9:00 a.m.

Messiah Baptist Church

80 Legion Parkway

Brockton, MA 02301

Reverend Miniard Culpepper - Officiant
Pastor, Pleasant Hill Baptist Church – Dorchester, MA

Obituary

Muriel E. Tatum

August 16, 1935 – January 14, 2022

Our beloved mother, sister, aunt, and friend passed away peacefully Friday, January 14, 2022. Muriel Ester Dance Tatum was born August 16, 1935 to Randall Thomas and Agnes Wade Dance. She was the youngest of her siblings and was affectionately known to many as *Baby Dance*. Muriel attended and graduated from Girls' High School in Roxbury, MA of the Boston Public School system. She continued her education attending Lesley College and Roxbury Community College.

Muriel was married to Richard G. Tatum whose union brought forth four children: Leslie, Richard, Mark and Nicole.

Muriel had a full and rich life, and worked for many years at the Sunnyside Day Care until her retirement. She was a member of the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, and its Missionary Society Board under the leadership of the Reverend Harold Bullock.

She enjoyed travelling to Paris, Italy, and within the United States – most notably to various Usher Board Conventions and events. All who entered her home were welcomed and treated as family. She found great joy cooking and offering her own homespun advice to them unconditionally.

Muriel is survived by her children: Leslie (Brockton, MA), Richard/Liliana (Washington, DC); Mark/Brenda (Mansfield, TX); grandchildren: Victoria Tatum, Corey Starks, Joseph Tatum, Tyree Tucker, Jazmine Humphries; sisters: Christine Hill, Juanita Lopes, Edwina (Bunny) Taylor; sisters-in-laws: Virginia (Jenny) Dance, Linda Dance; brothers-in-law: Philip Tatum, William D. Tatum; cousins and best friends: Leah Christie, Kathy Fonseca, Gail Silva, Edna Anderson, Sue Owens Boone, Louise D'Antignac; a host of great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, and a close extended family.

She is preceded in death by her brothers: Henry, Tony and Charles Dance; sisters: Marie Heath, Marcella Tatum, Audrey Rodrigues, Maude Marve; daughter: Nicole; granddaughter: Lauren Tatum; godson, Randall Tatum; parents: Agnes and William Gourdine; and Randall and Christine Dance.

Muriel leaves a legacy of love for those who have affectionately called her *Mom, Grandma, Grammy, Grandmother, Nana, Aunt* and friend. Muriel will be immensely missed. But we are assured that she is resting in the arms of the Lord, and sitting with those who have prepared her place and ushered her into the Kingdom.

Order of Service

Reverend Miniard Culpepper - Officiant

Processional

Invocation

Scripture Readings

Old Testament	<i>Psalms 23</i>	Anita Handy
New Testament	<i>John 14:1-3</i>	Peter Handy

Prayer

Hymn *"Amazing Grace"*

Acknowledgements/Reflections

Reading of Obituary Amanda Russell

Hymn *"His Eye Is On the Sparrow"*

Eulogy Rev. Miniard Culpepper

Final Viewing

Benediction