



## Elsie Mae Richardson

August 10, 1936 - August 9, 2019

Elsie Mae Richardson was born August 10, 1936, in San Antonio, Texas, the first of two children born to the union of Mary (“Nannie”) and D.H. Hayes, both who preceded her in death. Her sister Martha Jewel Brim (California) and her parents all preceded her in death.

In January 1952, Elsie wed L.T. Richardson (deceased), they moved to California where all three children, Diane, Michael (deceased) and Larry were born to their marriage.

After raising her family, Elsie went back to school and became a Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) and worked for over 26 years at Alta Bates Summit Medical Center. She continued her career at Pediatric Medical Group in Berkeley where she worked another 10 years more before retiring at 68-years old.

For over 30-years Elsie was a very passionate, dedicated and connected parishioner to her church, Berkeley Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church (BMZ), members and pastors: Rev. Dr. M.T. Thompson (Pastor Emeritus) and current Pastor-Teacher, Rev. Brian D. Hunter. She served on BMZ’s “Helping Hands” ministry and supported many other church ministries and initiatives.

Elsie loved to travel. Her favorite vacations included Caribbean cruises, several trips to Hawaii and visiting friends and family in other states like Ohio, Nebraska, Georgia, Nevada, Virginia and the District of Columbia (Washington D.C.)

Elsie loved, cherished and yes, spoiled her children, grandchildren, and great-

grandchildren. But it was her love and devotion to her family and friends that was indeed a treasure in the heart of those who knew and loved her. Elsie always worked to stay in touch with and connected to her friends; she even named her daughter (Diane) after her life-long friend (since Jr. high school), Dorothy Ann Talley of Los Angeles.

Elsie leaves to celebrate, honor and cherish her memory: her daughter Connie Diane (Richardson) Brannon, her remaining son, Larry Tyrone Richardson; three grandchildren, Warren ("Scoopie") Brannon, Jr., Shonte (Richardson) Adewale and Tennille Richardson; five great-grandchildren: Alanah, Fred Jr., Warren ("Chip"), Malaycia and Xavier; three sisters-in-law: Emma Tims (Texas), Lillie Richardson (California) and Cleophia Richardson (Nevada); one brother-in-law, Hebert Richardson (Nevada) and many nieces, nephews, family and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Rolling Hills Memorial Park

4100 Hilltop Drive  
Richmond, CA 94803

# Previous Events

## Viewing

AUG 14. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

Harris Funeral Home Legacy Center  
1331 San Pablo Ave.  
Berkeley, CA 94702  
(510) 525-1331  
<http://www.harrisfuneralhomelegacycenter.com>

## Homegoing Celebration

AUG 15. 11:00 AM (PT)

Berkeley Mt. Zion Baptist Church  
1400 8th St  
Berkeley, CA 94710

## Interment

AUG 15. 2:00 PM (PT)

Rolling Hills Memorial Park  
4100 Hilltop Drive  
Richmond, CA 94803

## Repast

AUG **15**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (PT)

Berkeley Mt. Zion Baptist Church  
1400 8th St  
Berkeley, CA 94710

# Tribute Wall



“ *Harris Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Elsie Mae Richardson*



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**Harris Funeral Home** - August 14, 2019 at 08:34 PM

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“ *To the family of Elsie.... My prayers to the family may God strengthen you in this difficult time. The Bible tells me to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. I worked with Elsie at Alta Bates for many years . Diane I met you and your daughter many years ago I am sure you don't remember, but your mom was a joy to work with. Blessings on you and the family. Brenda McKinney 34 Marina Lakes Dr. Richmond, Ca. 94804*

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**Brenda McKinney** - August 16, 2019 at 02:55 PM

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“ *To the family of Elsie,our prayers and condolences.I worked with Elsie as staff and as her charge nurse, we were friends and coworkers. I knew Elsie would get the job done in her sweet kind way. She will be missed but she will forever be in our hearts. Many of the old Alta Bates group got together at my home some years ago and I will locate the group picture to share with her family. God will shield and comfort you. Estrene and Charles West.*

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**Estrene West** - August 15, 2019 at 09:57 PM