



A Celebration of Life for

Ada Laura Martin

Sunrise:
April 20, 1942

Sunset:
May 2, 2024



Tuesday, May 14, 2024

Viewing: 10:00 a.m. | Service: 11:00 a.m.

From the Heart Church Ministries®
5055 Allentown Road | Suitland, Maryland 20746
Bishop John A. Cherry, II - Pastor



Obituary

Ada Laura Martin, a cherished soul known for her vibrant spirit and endearing love for family, passed away on May 2, 2024, at the age of 82.

Born on April 20, 1942, in High Point, North Carolina, and raised in Washington, D.C., Ada was a beloved daughter of the late Clarence William Matthew Haizlip, Sr., and the late Odesa Alona Crawford.

Ada's life was a testament to her resilience, entrepreneurship, and boundless love for people. For many years, she navigated the streets of the city she loved as a cab driver, a career through which she connected with countless individuals, sharing stories, laughter, and wisdom.

Ada believed in the beauty of diversity, often saying, "It takes all kinds of people to make the world go around." This philosophy guided her through life, enabling her to touch the hearts of everyone she met. Her commitment to her family was unwavering, and she took great pride in knowing her family history, ensuring its stories and legacy would be passed down through generations.

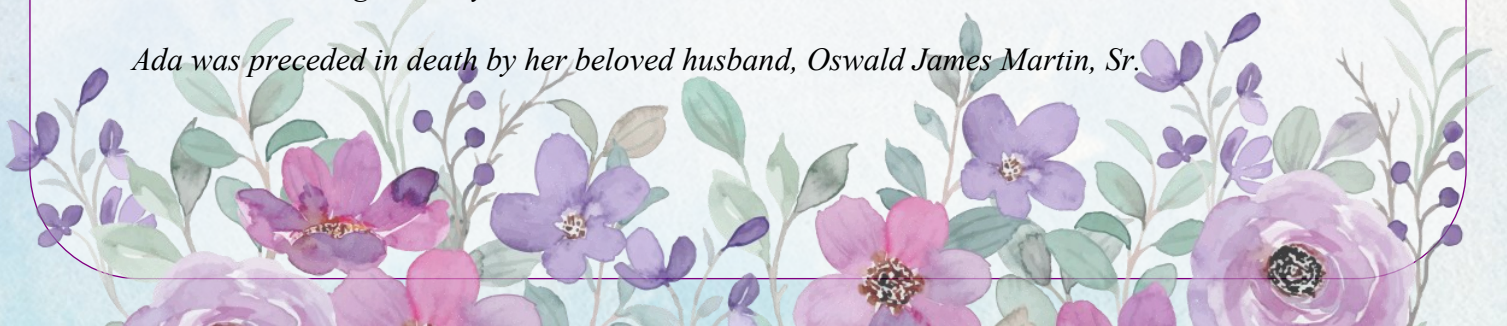
A woman of deep faith, Ada accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Savior, a decision that further illuminated her path with purpose and grace. In 1992, she joined From the Heart Church Ministries where she served in the Membership Care Ministry.

Ada's love for life was paralleled only by her love for music, particularly jazz, which resonated with the rhythm of her soul. Among her favorite places was Blues Alley in historic Georgetown where she would eventually work for several years, and the only job she consistently made it to on time. It was there she met icons like Phyllis Hyman, Ahmad Jamal, and Rachelle Ferrell, among many others. However, mention of her city adventures would not be complete without acknowledging her love for Ben's Chili Bowl, a place she adored for its vibrant atmosphere and delicious chili. The city with its lively energy, and endless possibilities was the backdrop to her cherished memories.

Ada, known for her famous homemade ice cream and corn pudding, will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Ada leaves behind a legacy of love and laughter, cherished by her children, Oswald "Marty" James Martin, Jr., and Brandy Alexandria Pringle (Darnell); brother, Clarence William Matthew Haizlip, Jr.; nieces, Carmen Foreman and Courtney Dodson; granddaughters, Lisa Williams and Camille "Cami" Wilcher; and a host of other family and friends whose lives she touched with her generosity, humor, and warmth.

Ada was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Oswald James Martin, Sr.



Order of Service

Invocation

Congregational Hymn "O How I Love Jesus"

Scripture Reading

*Old Testament: Psalm 34:1-8
New Testament: John 14:1-6*

Prayer of Comfort

Selection..... *FTH Psalmist*

Remarks

*Mr. Jimmy Hunter, Cousin
Mr. Erik Steed, Cousin*

Poem *Ms. Sharonda Brown*

Obituary (Read Silently)

Song of Preparation *FTH Psalmist*

Message of Hope *Reverend Steven A. Battle, Sr.*

Call to Christ

Recessional

Interment:
*Arlington National Cemetery
1 Memorial Avenue
Fort Myer, Virginia 22211*



Congregational Hymn

O HOW I LOVE JESUS

*There is a Name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth;
It sounds like music in my ear, The sweetest Name on earth.*

Chorus

***O, how I love Jesus, O, how I love Jesus,
O, how I love Jesus, Because He first loved me!***

*It tells me of a Savior's love, Who died to set me free;
It tells me of His precious blood, The sinner's perfect plea.*

Chorus

*It tells me what my Father hath In store for every day,
And though I tread a darksome path, Yields sunshine all the way.*

Chorus

*It tells of One whose loving heart Can feel my deepest woe,
Who in each sorrow bears a part, That none can bear below.*

Chorus





Mom,

*They say there is a reason,
they say time will heal,
neither time nor reason will change the way we feel.*

*Gone are the days we used to share,
but in our hearts you will always be there.*

*The gates of memories will never close,
we miss you more than anybody knows.*

*Your memory will be a keepsake from
which we will never part.
God has you in His arms,
we have you in our hearts.*







Acknowledgment

*We the family of Ada Laura Martin acknowledge with deep appreciation every act of kindness and expression of love shown to us during our time of bereavement. May God richly bless you.
We love you all.*

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Flower Bearers

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Services Entrusted to:

*Marshall-March Funeral Home
4308 Suitland Road
Suitland, Maryland 20746*

