

## *Acknowledgement*

*Melba, affectionately named "Beena;" was revered by all who were touched by her kindness, humor, mild demeanor, and warm heart. Thank you all for your prayers and support during this time. Your shared memories, comforting condolences and gestures of love are truly appreciated.*

*Thank you Beena, for allowing us to take care of you  
and to love you until your passing.*

*It was a privilege and a blessing. We'll be missing you and your happy  
laugh. Rest in sweet peace.  
Carol, Allison and Hannah Phillips*

*A note of sincere gratitude to Mr. Joe Morehead for his invaluable  
guidance and wisdom, and the excellent Staff of Marian J. Gary Funeral  
Home, The Chapel of Peace, Mt. Carmel East Hospital, Riverside  
Methodist Hospital Palliative Care Team and Pastoral Care.*

## *Pallbearers*

*Family and Friends*

# JOURNEY OF Faith

To offer condolences to The Redd Family,  
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## *In Loving Memory of*

*Melba  
Redd*

*May 24, 1939 - December 26, 2022*

## *~Service~*

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023 ~ 2:00pm**

***The Chapel of Peace East***

**5456 East Livingston Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43232**

## Obituary

Melba Redd was born May 24, 1939 in Bluefield, West Virginia to the late Edward Redd and Mattie Lee Bailey Redd. Melba departed this life on Monday, December 26, 2022 at the age of 83. Melba was the youngest of 11 siblings.

Melba was a graduate of Park Central High School, Bluefield, West Virginia. Her family relocated to Columbus, Ohio in 1955.

Melba was a devoted lifetime member at Woodland Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) where she worked and served in numerous capacities and remained faithful until illness prevented her participation.

Melba retired from the former Columbus Developmental Center (State of Ohio) in 1989, enjoying 30 years of public service as Residential Assistant.

Melba loved her family and friends. She especially cherished family dinners and gatherings. She was so proud of the resurgence of the "Redd Family Reunion" led by her nephew, Cecil Diggs on July 19, 1996 and hosted in Charleston, West Virginia.

Melba Redd is preceded in death by her parents; Edward Redd and Mattie Lee Bailey Redd, brothers; Thurmond Holley, Edward S. Redd, Sr., Thaddeus G. Redd, Sylvester H. Redd and James Holley, sisters; Leora Holley, Mary Alice Phillips, Thurmond Howard, and Letha Dawson, special cousins; Staralee Robbins and Mary Mizelle.

Melba is survived by her sister; Sylvia A. Smith and brother-in-law; Johnnie Phillips, Sr. (Mary Alice), sister-in-law; Reverend Arzolla Phillips (Ernest), adored nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and friends. Dearest and life-long friends; Blanche Perkins, Robert Saunders and Michelle Hardy.

## Order of Service

PRESIDING..... Johnnie Phillips, Jr.

ORGAN PRELUDE..... Chapel of Peace Music Ministry

PARTING VIEW ..... Immediate Family

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament ..... Psalms 23 and 121

New Testament..... Proverbs 31:25-26

### PRAYER

SELECTION..... Chapel of Peace Music Ministry

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

REMARKS..... Michelle Hardy  
Family and Friends

READING OF OBITUARY ..... Read Silently

SELECTION ..... Chapel of Peace Music Ministry

## The Eulogy

Reverend Eric H. Brown

Pastor, Woodland Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

BENEDICTION..... Reverend Eric H. Brown

RECESSIONAL..... Clergy, Family, and Friends  
"When We All Get To Heaven"

*"Kindness is doing what you can, where you are, with what you have."*

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