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### **Annapolis, MD – Maryland State Conference Mourns the Passing of Norma Blake-Bordeau, President of Allegheny County NAACP Branch**

The MSC family is saddened by the passing of Norma-Blake Bordeau, President of Allegheny County NAACP Branch.

Norma Bordeau was an educator, a preacher and a lifelong civil rights advocate. The entire NAACP family’s thoughts and prayers go out to her husband and family for their tremendous loss.

Maryland State Conference President Gerald Stansbury said on Norma’s passing “Norma Bordeau was a valiant freedom fighter who will be much missed by the whole Maryland state Conference of the NAACP. She was a strong voice of the Western Maryland in the conference.”

“Norma Bordeau was a determined advocate for social justice, human and civil rights . She will be deeply missed and we will honor her legacy by continuing the fight she was committed too in promoting Civil rights and social justice for all in Allegheny County.” stated Donald L. Cash, NAACP Region VII National Board of Director.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Marion Lydia Black endowment.

Funeral are scheduled for 11 am on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at the Emmanuel Parish. 16 Washington St. Cumberland, MD 21502. You may contact the church directly for funeral arrangement at (301) 777-336 or by email [emmanuel@ang-md.org](mailto:emmanuel@ang-md.org)

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