



Bernard Battle

December 3, 1966 - June 15, 2022

ERNARD BATTLE, born December 3, 1946 in Sharpsburg, NC, the son of the late Mr. Willie Maryland and Mrs. Nellie Ruth Battle Bunch, departed this life June 15, 2022 in Baltimore, MD. He was raised by his grandparents, the late Daniel and Eva Battle in Sharpsburg, NC. He attended Frederick Douglass High School in Elm City, NC and was an honor student. He graduated in 1965 and entered the Airforce for four years. There he served with Archie Bell of Archie Bell and the Drells from Houston, TX. Bernard married Linda Barnes in 1966 and they had two sons Keith and Kelvin. While in the service, he was stationed in Germany where his sons were speaking German before English. When Bernard returned to the states, he worked for DC Mass Transit Administration, the US Postal Service, and he was Vice President of Operations at Master Security (working security for cruise ships and Federal contracts as well as serving as the Union Rep.). Bernard was 75 years full of life, developing loving relationships with close friends and family that loved him. He was a member of the band and played 5 different brass instruments in a State Band. He was a guard on the basketball team that won 73 games before losing 1 and then 63 games before losing 4. He played on 4 State Championship teams, made all Conference 3 years, all District 3 years and played basketball 4 years in the Airforce. He graduated with 43 scholarship offers for basketball. At 5'8" he played against the best players in the state of NC and you would have thought he was 6'5". That was Bernard, always larger than himself and life. He played against Earl the Pearl Monroe at Winston Salem State College for a scholarship offer. With a team of high school talent that almost beat them, losing by one point. Bernard leaves to cherish his memory, two brothers Darrell and Daniel (Danny) and one sister Sharon Bunch who was his caretaker at the time of his death. He also leaves four sons Keith, wife Pauline, Kelvin, Bernard Jr. and Justin Stalks as well as grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, grandnieces and nephews, cousins and many dear friends who truly love him. He enjoyed being a member of the Sidney Mudd Elks Lodge #748, Upper Marlboro, MD. Bernard is also loved by the class of '65 at Frederick Douglass High School. The news of his death filled his classmates' eyes with tears because Bernard left relationships with classmates that loved him dearly over a period of 69 years and this is not said to be kind, it is just true.

Cemetery Details

Crownsville Veterans Cemetery

1122 Sunrise Beach Road
Crownsville, MD 21032

Previous Events

Viewing

JUN **27**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home - East
1101 E. North Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21202

Wake

JUN **28**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Bernard Battle, Please Click the Link below.*



March Funeral Homes - June 28 at 10:37 AM

PB

“ *Pauline Battle lit a candle in memory of Bernard Battle*



pauline battle - June 28 at 08:12 PM

PB

“ *Bernard, being your daughter-in-law for 25 years! Knowing you and having you a part of our family and being a part of your family was a journey i will always hold dear. Rest easy and in peace* ❤️

pauline battle - June 28 at 01:59 PM



“ *RIP BIG Bernard Battle I have so many memories from yesteryears that I will cherish and share when called upon. Your bloodline is and will beautifully be remembered and carried on by your sons and grands, Job well done !!!*



DeNeen Rapley - June 28 at 06:48 AM

LK

“ Lydia King sent a virtual gift in memory of Bernard Battle



lydia king - June 27 at 07:44 PM

BI

“ Bernard Battle II lit a candle in memory of Bernard Battle



Bernard Battle II - June 27 at 07:42 PM

MD

“ Mizaah Dean lit a candle in memory of Bernard Battle



mizaah dean - June 27 at 07:41 PM

MD

“ Mignon Dean lit a candle in memory of Bernard Battle



mignon dean - June 27 at 07:40 PM

BD

“ Brenner Dean lit a candle in memory of Bernard Battle



brenner dean - June 27 at 07:40 PM

BD

“ *Brielle Dean lit a candle in memory of Bernard Battle*



brielle dean - June 27 at 07:39 PM

LK

“ *Lydia King lit a candle in memory of Bernard Battle*



lydia king - June 27 at 07:38 PM

LK

“ *my deepest condolences to Bernard Battle and family thanks for being the best papa (grandfather) my grandkids could ever ask for you where always a gentle soul with a great personality through it all you will be truly be missed sleep in peace I, will always keep my eye on the Sparrow cause i know you will be watching fly high soilder love ya Lydia King and family*

lydia king - June 27 at 07:21 PM

VJ

“ *Condolences to the Battle Family.*

Janice Culbreth, Baltimore, Md

Veronica Jones, Alexandria, Va

Veronica Jones - June 27 at 06:56 PM

WA

“ *Sincere Condolences from Wesley Douglas Artis and Family. Federick Douglas High School Elm City, North Carolina Class of 1965. Battle Family may the peace of God give you strength...In Jesus Name.*



Wesley D. Artis - June 27 at 03:47 PM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

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