



## Solomon Robert Wells, Jr.

May 17, 1926 - November 27, 2020

### The Legacy of Solomon Robert Wells, Jr.

Solomon Robert Wells, Jr., aka "Brother" 94, departed this life on November 27, 2020. He was born May 17, 1926 In Richmond, Virginia to the proud parents of the late Solomon Robert Wells, Sr., and Ethel Pelham. He was the younger of two siblings. He is preceded in death by his loving wife, Mary Augusta Trice; his sister that he adored, Lavern Annette Stewart; and his grandson, Phillip Norvell Hieskell; his favorite male cousin and hangout buddy, Charles "Bucky" Perry; his loving cousin, Joan Perry White; three aunts, the Pelham Girls: Lucille Pelham Perry, Sarah E. Pelham and Doris Pelham Stewart-oh my goodness, he truly loved and cherished them.

Solomon received his basic education in the Richmond Public School System, attending Baker Street Elementary School, Booker T. Jr. High School, and graduated from Armstrong High School, Class of 1946. After high school, Solomon, continued working as a porter and stockman at FW Woolworth, Inc., a job he obtained while in high school. Setting his sights on a better opportunity, he accepted a job with the Methodist Publishing House Book Store, where he was a wrapper and fulfilled orders. Later, he found an opportunity he really liked with R.V Dorsey Real Estate, Inc. While working there, he was able to become more diversified in work assignments. He -was a messenger, which allowed him to take the company's daily funds to the banks, and indirectly learn some aspects of real estate by searching, recording, and withdrawing titles and deeds. He also was responsible for cleaning the facility.

Later in his career, he was able to move into a supervisory role in the Mailing Room at Metropolitan National Bank. Then he moved on to the Clearing House, where he was involved in using figures on a daily basis and loved performing mathematical tasks. Due to a reference from a good friend, he landed his dream job with The Alcohol Beverage Control Board, as a clerk, and retired from that opportunity. After retirement he began to live the "Life of Riley", as he would say.

At an early age, Solomon attended Ebenezer Baptist Church, where he accepted Christ and was baptized by Reverend E. E. Smith. He was a member of the Men's Fellowship and served on several ministries. He was a very active member of the Masonic King David Lodge# 28 F.&A.M.P.H.A, and served as a Past Master for 52 years; and a member of the Old Timer's Club for over 50 years.

He leaves to cherish his memory two loving daughters: Sylvia Y. Wells (Bernard Griffin) and Danette Wells Hieskell (Phillip, Jr.); three grandchildren: Justin J. Hieskell; Trayon T. Hieskell; and Andre, R. Bethea; three great-grandchildren: Aniyah A. Hieskell; Miliyah Hieskell; and Aubrielle Bethea; a niece, Shelia E. Stewart; nephew, Dr. James "Jim" Trice III; extremely loving cousin, Jean P. Williams; a handful of relatives and a host of loving friends.

# Cemetery

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## Woodland Cemetery

2300 Magnolia Road 23222  
Richmond, VA,

# Events

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**DEC 7** **Walk through Visitation** 11:00AM - 04:30PM

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March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave., Richmond, VA, US, 23222

**DEC 8** **Celebration of Life** 11:00AM

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# Comments

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“ To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Solomon Robert Wells, Jr., Please Click the Link below.



**March Funeral Homes** - December 08, 2020 at 10:16 AM

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“ Rest In Peace, Mr. Wells. You have an absolutely lovely family who adores you and will miss you greatly. We never met, but I feel like I know you through your daughter, Sylvia. Your family will always have a special place in my heart. I will visit you at Woodland.

**Kathleen Harrell** - December 10, 2020 at 05:30 PM

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“ Treasured with love beyond feeling; missed with grief beyond tears. Our sincere condolences for your loss.

Love always,

Mrs. Mattie E. Perry & family

**Mrs. M. E. Perry** - December 08, 2020 at 07:29 PM

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“ Sylvia and Family,

On behalf of Barbara and I, we offer these words of condolences on the earthly transition of your father Solomon Robert Wells, Jr. No matter the length or breath of our loved one's earthly condition and suffering, when they depart this life, I submit a part of our heart goes with them. They leave a void in our spirit that can never be filled on this side of the Jordan. Our prayers for you, Bernard and your family are that:

You will find your lily in the valley.

A place to leave your burdens

As you walk through this storm.

We pray that you will find peace in the midst of the storm.

Charles and Barbara Gregg

**Charles and Barbara Gregg** - December 08, 2020 at 10:52 AM

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“ Sylvia and Family,

My prayers are with you as you accept the will of God and this life changing experience. May you find comfort in knowing that God has never made a mistake, He take only the best to share eternity with Him, Jesus Christ and Holy Spirit. You will see him again, gone but never to be forgotten. Solomon will live on in your memories and love.

Bill Armstrong

**William F Armstrong** - December 08, 2020 at 09:11 AM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire Welles family. May you treasure your special memories to comfort your broken hearts.

Bonnie & Don Dalia

(friends of Sylvia)

**Bonnie Dalia** - December 08, 2020 at 08:56 AM

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“ What a handsome young man. Sylvia, his oldest daughter is a very dear friend of ours. John and I would like to send our sympathy to Sylvia, Bernard and the family. I see the resemblance Sylvia. I will send a heavenly message to my dad to look out for him. He is in God's hands. We will continue to pray that you find peace. Love, hugs and kisses.

John and Angela Spruill



Angela Spruill - December 07, 2020 at 11:38 PM

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“ Sending my heartfelt sympathy to Sylvia and the entire Wells Family. What a blessing to have had your father for 94 years. May he Rest In Peace and may GOD comfort you with his LOVE

Johnetta Nichols - December 07, 2020 at 11:05 PM

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“ My deepest sympathy to the family. Solomon will be always remembered. I am keeping you in my prayers. Sandra L. Reed



Sandra L. Reed - December 06, 2020 at 03:41 PM

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“ 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.

**March Funeral Homes** - December 06, 2020 at 07:46 AM