



Deacon Algenor Sterling Johnson

September 14, 1950 - March 5, 2019

The Life & Legacy of Algenor Sterling Johnson

Algenor "Sterling" Johnson departed this life on Tuesday, March 5, 2019. He was born in Richmond, VA to Bishop Algenor Johnson and the late Mother Edith Allen on September 14, 1950. He attended Henrico County Public Schools, graduating in June of 1969; He was drafted into the United States Army as a contentious objector, but served honorably as a medic in the Vietnam War. He married Sharon Denise Williams, daughter of the late. Bishop Melvin Williams, Sr. and Mother Carrie Williams on April 6, 1974 in Richmond, Virginia. Sterling worked for Henrico County Schools for a number of years and retired from Jefferson Bank which is now Wells Fargo Bank after 26 years.

Sterling gave his life to Christ at an early age, was baptized in Jesus' name and filled with the precious Spirit of the Holy Ghost. He was an active dedicated member of City of Refuge (Sandston), VA) and the Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith, Inc. throughout his life. He served the Lord humbly and in many capacities. Sterling began praying for his home church at the age of 17 and ultimately became the organist and vocalist for the COOLJC, VA Northern

Diocese and State of VA. Sterling is known for having mentored many notable Christian musicians within the organization; their success due in part to his willingness to share his gift. Beyond his musicianship, Sterling was a longstanding member of the ABYPU; he was a part of the COOLJC International Union of Deacons. He was a Trustee, a member to children after school and drove the Church van for the missionaries, the elderly and widows at City of Refuge.

Sterling is preceded in death by his mother, Edith Allen Johnson, his brother Bernard L. Johnson and sister in love Dellawenda Williams.

Sterling is survived by his devoted wife, Elder Sharon Johnson; children, Elder Algenor Jermaine (Yavonda) and Nicholas Lamont (Sheri); father Bishop Algenor Johnson; grandchildren, Jessica LeAnne, Justin Isaiah, and Laila Denise; siblings, Brenda Wallace (Willie) Bishop Roy Johnson (Viola); mother-in-love, Mother Carrie Williams; sisters and brother-in-love, Elder Sandra Whitehead (Larry), Bishop Melvin Williams, Jr., Deacon Philandus Williams, Elder Nanora Westbrook, Marsha Johnson; and a host of extended family and friends, among them a devoted aunt, Gladys Cotman.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road
Richmond, VA 23223

Previous Events

Family Hour

MAR 11. 6:00 AM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Public Viewing

MAR 11. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Celebration of Life

MAR 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

Cedar Street Baptist Church of God
2301 Cedar Street
Richmond, VA 23223

Tribute Wall



“ *Deacon Algenor Sterling Johnson*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Sterling was a former member of an exercise class which I instructed at the YMCA. He was such a pleasure to have in class and always worked hard toward meeting his goals. We all enjoyed getting to know him, and his unique sense of humor always managed to get us laughing! We truly missed him when he had to leave the class, and I know he will be greatly missed now by his family and all those who loved him. My thoughts and prayers are with the family asking for the peace and comfort that only the Lord can give as you go through this time of sorrow for your loss, yet knowing it is a time of the purest joy for Sterling.*

*God bless,
Tricia Wright*

Tricia Wright - March 12, 2019 at 04:25 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.*

March Funeral Homes - March 07, 2019 at 08:15 PM