



Barry Chambers

March 7, 1945 - August 10, 2011

Barry Chambers, born March 7, 1945 to the late Leon and Mary Chambers was called home to rest on August 10, 2011 after a lengthy illness. At an early age he attended Mt. Zion United Methodist Church and just weeks before he passed away he rededicated his life to Christ.

Barry was educated in the Baltimore City School System. He graduated from Baltimore City College in 1963. There after he enlisted into the United States Air Force as an air traffic controller. He was in active service for eight years and served his country in the Vietnam War.

After his tour of duty in the U.S. Air Force he trained to become a fire fighter. This accomplishment aided in his receiving the accolades and accommodations of being one of Howard County's first black fire fighters and the very first black fire fighter to retire from Howard County. He was one of the founding members of the Phoenix Sentinels, an association for black fire fighters.

His accomplishments and achievements did not stop there. While a fire fighter, his desire to help others extended into his becoming an Emergency Medical Technician. He became the fires black paramedic in Howard County. He retired from the Howard County Fire Department in 1996 and Baltimore City as a PSO officer at the Convention Center.

Barry, a very charismatic person, loved to socialize, travel, and play sports. Some of his favorite hobbies included playing pool, tennis, and golf. He always said he put the "P" in pinochle.

His beautiful memories will live on in the hearts of his daughters Cheryl, Tracey, Kimberly and Crystal; his special daughters Kawana, Rhonda, and Jazmine; his sons-in-law Marlo Gough, Jermaine Thomas and Daryl Elliott.

He was preceded in death by his brother Ronnie Lee Jr. He leaves to mourn 3 grandchildren Katoriae, Noah and Rayna; one great grandchild Braylyn Melrose; One brother Leon Chambers, two sisters-in-law Gwendolyn Lee and Ethel Chambers; three aunts Bessie Franklin, Lydia Brown and Mable Lipscomb; A special caretaker Robin Guy and a host of other family and friends.

Cemetery Details

Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road
Owings Mills, MD

Previous Events

Public Viewing

AUG 23. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
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Wake

AUG 24. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Sugar Kennedy lit a candle in memory of Barry Chambers*



Sugar Kennedy - March 07, 2024 at 01:18 PM



I love you!

Sugar Kennedy - March 07, 2024 at 01:22 PM

CC

We miss you Dad!❤️

Crystal Chambers - March 08, 2024 at 08:55 AM



“ *Barry Chambers*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I thank GOD for the life of Barry Chambers and the things that he taught me about the Fire Service that has become the cornerstone to my successful career. Thank You for the laughter, joy, encouragement, information and love. Rest in peace my brother until we meet again.*

Mike Walker - August 25, 2011 at 06:08 PM

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“ Thank you for being a trail blazer God bless and thank you for everything

Thomas Washington - August 24, 2011 at 08:14 PM

JS

“ Barry Chambers was the consummate professional. He always brought a level of calmnes and surity to every call and had a way of making everyone at ease because of his high skill level. I was very proud to be in the department with him and to see him get a chance to retire was a source of joy for me. You will be missed, Brother.

James Singletary - August 24, 2011 at 05:54 AM

JW

“ I am a past fellow firefighter and friend and worked with Barry on many occasions. We shared many challenging, funny and great moments and I pray for his and his families peace. Woody

John Woodward - August 16, 2011 at 05:39 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 - August 15, 2011 at 03:45 PM