



Deacon Benjamin Levon Spencer, Sr.

August 30, 1931 - September 17, 2012

The life of Benjamin Levon Spencer, Sr. has left an indelible mark on the lives of many. Born August, 30, 1931 in Danville, Virginia, the youngest child of now deceased parents Wallace and Helen Spencer. He accepted Christ at an early age while attending Camp Grove Baptist Church. After growing up in Danville and graduating from John Mercer Langston High School. He attended Virginia State College and reconnected with his teenage sweetheart Mary Nelson. They married in 1951 and from their union four children were born: Cynthia (Carthel), Donna (Les), Ben Jr. (deceased), and Michele "Mikki" Spencer. In addition to his loving wife and daughters, he is survived by a sister, Valeria S. Long; brother, Wallace William Spencer Jr., both of Lanham, Maryland; grandchildren, Eric Spencer Cooper of Fairfax, Virginia and Michelle E. Robinson of San Diego, California; great-granddaughter, Emera S. Cooper, a dear niece, Sandra B. Nickens; a host of other nieces, nephews, and close family friends, two devoted, Rev. Reynolds Robinson, Sr. and Percell A. Lewis.

Ben was a man of few words and many names, Herney to his wife, Pook-a-Pook to close family, Levon and Lou to others. Ben enjoyed gathering to socialize with family and friends celebrating many birthdays, anniversaries and holidays. He loved the great outdoors and spent many weekends at his Indian Acres home. Over the years, he traveled extensively with his entire family.

Over the years, he busied himself with many community and faith based endeavors. He was a faithful member of Mt. Tabor Baptist Church, where he served on the Deacon Board for 50 years. He has also been a member of the Commonwealth Lodge #81 Masons, Astoria Beneficial Club, Inc. that recognized him as "Astorian of the Year" in 2008, the United States Croquet Association, Richmond Baptist Association, and the United States Postal Council. He proudly served as Neighborhood Watch Captain in his community for several years.

His work life included employment with Dan River Mills, Advertising Associates, and Overnite Transportation Company where he retired after working for over 30 years.

On Monday, September 17, 2012, God decided that his earthly work was done. He succumbed at Memorial Regional Medical Hospital lovingly surrounded by his wife and family and is now resting peacefully in eternity with the Lord. He will be remembered as a dedicated family man who lived his life with devotion to his wife and children, benevolence toward all mankind, and a strong faith in God.

Lovingly submitted,
The Family

A call from The Most High on August 21, 2012 informing my mansion was complete and ready for move-in. He instructed me to change my address.

My new home is now located on an exclusive estate behind a beautiful Pearly Gate; my cross-street is Serenity.

Although I no longer have a phone and my mail cannot be forwarded from

Waynesboro, Virginia; you can always reach me by way of my Father.

My New address is:

Ella Betsy Miller Mitchell

1 Heaven Circle

Godstown, Heaven 06417

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto
you...Let not your heart be troubled.

John 14:27

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

4000 Pilots Lane
Richmond, VA 23222

Previous Events

Public Viewing

SEP **21**. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel
Richmond, VA 23222

Family Hour

SEP **21**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

SEP **22**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Tabor Baptist Church
2011 Fairmount Ave.
Richmond, VA 23223

Tribute Wall



“ *Deacon Benjamin Levon Spencer, Sr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *My name is Graham Howell and I knew and worked with Ben at Overnite Transportation Company in the late 1970's and early 80's. I still work for Overnite (now UPS Freight) and have come in contact with many people there but Ben made an impression on me that I will never forget. He was liked by all, never seemed to let anything get him down, always had an encouraging word, and quick with a smile. Over the years, I of course, lost contact with Ben although I did see him at a reunion type function a few years ago and he had the same old smile. I grieve with you over your loss now but look forward to seeing my friend Ben in the world to come.*

Graham Howell - September 22, 2012 at 07:49 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your dear loved one. When a loved one dies the pain, the grief, and the feelings of helplessness can seem unbearable. At such a time we can find comfort in Jesus promise made to all who have loss loved one in death at John 5:28,29 which reads: Do not marvel at this, because the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out."*

Delores Allen - September 20, 2012 at 07:59 AM



“ 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 - September 19, 2012 at 12:55 PM