



Claude O. Burrell, Jr.

April 14, 1940 - May 24, 2021

Claude O. Burrell, Jr. was born April 14, 1940 in the Henrico County Boar Swamp community. He received his ticket for his scat on the Glory Train, Heaven bound on May 24th, 2021 at 8:05pm in Richmond, Virginia.

Claude was born to the late Claude O. Burrell, Sr., and Mary Magdalene. He was the youngest of the four to this union. He was preceded in death by his three sisters, Elsie Cooper, Yvonne Nichols Battle, and Lillie Mae Lightfoot.

Claude attended Boar Swamp Elementary School and graduated from Virginia Randolph High School in 1957. He worked as a Short-Order Cook at Woolworth Department Store in downtown Richmond. It was at Woolworth, that he was introduced to the love of his life Alice Hudson. They were joined in holy matrimony on July 7, 1959. Claude was employed by C&P Telephone Company in 1962 as a Central Line Technician where he retired in 1998 after 35 years of service.

Claude was baptized as a child at Rising Mount Zion Baptist Church (RMZBC) and attended BYTU, Sunday School, Varina and Fairfield Sunday School Union and the Star of East Association. He was a member of the Men's Usher Board, Male Chorus, Trustee Ministry, Church's Van Ministry and ordained into the Deacon's Ministry at RMZBC. He became Deacon Emeritus in 2017. He loved the Lord and his church and faithfully served in whatever capacity he

could.

Claude was a member of the King Solomon Masonic Lodge #27. He was also a faithful member of the Central Gardens Leisure Club, where he served as the chaplain. Up until the pandemic, he was a member of the McDonald's Social Breakfast Club where he enjoyed meeting up with friends and discussing community and world affairs for several hours every morning. Claude LOVED the Dallas Cowboys and the Highland Springs High School football team. He attended every Friday night game until the pandemic paused the season.

Claude was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters, and loving wife, Alice M. Burrell. He is survived by his caring and loving children, Claude Anthony (Letitia); Sheryl (Thomas) and Yvonne. He was a doting grandfather to his five (5) grandchildren: Terence, Justin, Danielle, Janai and Joshua. Claude also leaves two brothers-in-law, Melvin Cooper and Jessie Hudson; two sisters-in law, Romanta Robinson and Constance (Gilbert) Lightfoot and a host of caring nieces and nephews on both sides; cousins from near and far and two devoted brotherly friends George Jude and Leroy Atkins.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUN 1. 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes
2110 E. Laburnum Ave
Richmond, VA 23222

Wake

JUN 1. 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - Laburnum Chapel
2110 E. Laburnum Avenue
Richmond, VA 23222
(804) 321-4200
info@marchfh.com
<https://www.marchfuneralhomevirginia.com/>

Celebrate of Life service with live streaming on the website

JUN 2. 12:00 PM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Claude O. Burrell, Jr., Please Click the Link below.*



March Funeral Homes - June 02, 2021 at 08:31 AM



“ *Claude O. Burrell, Jr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *This is Pat & Don Jackson, So Sorry To year about your Loss. You and Family Are In Our PRAYERS*

Don & Pat Jackson - June 02, 2021 at 06:12 PM

BA

“ Looking back to my boyhood, one image is most prominent. To me he was Claude Jr. To some I was his shadow. For me, I was a little guy hanging out with a big guy. Sometimes other big guys would join us. For me, it was a joyful privilege

Claude Jr. gave special time and energy to those days of summer. Some moments stand out. We were sitting under a tree when he introduced me to pork and beans More than the beans I was impressed with eating from the can. He said that cowboys ate beans from the can while on the trail. That made the beans more digestible

Claude Jr. told of that night when he used his knife to cut a path to the house.

He was considerate and realistic. I was unhappy because the chicken ate my June Bug.

He said that the chicken saw as a snack

One evening on the way home I was lagging. Claude Jr. told me of the night when a ghost slapped him for cursing while walking past the graveyard. I managed to keep up after that

I have many relatives in this area. I cannot remember my first meeting with them.

I was very young when I came to know Claude Jr. His presence in my life at a very critical stage of development requires my great and everlasting affection.

Claude Jr. I know that you are at peace. Your soul houses a tremendous spirit

BERNARD ANDERSON

bernard anderson - June 01, 2021 at 12:30 PM

FT

“ FTBS Licensing Team purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Claude O. Burrell, Jr..



FTBS Licensing Team - June 01, 2021 at 09:58 AM

BA

“ Bernard Anderson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Claude O. Burrell, Jr..



Bernard Anderson - May 30, 2021 at 06:40 PM

CH

“ To the Burrell family, sending our condolences and deepest sympathy to you during your time of sorrow. May God comfort and give you peace during this difficult time. Love, Sister Carolyn Hunter & family

Carolyn Hunter - May 28, 2021 at 04:14 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Claude O. Burrell, Jr..



May 28, 2021 at 11:47 AM

DB

“ I will surely miss communicating with him from week to week. Claude Jr. was the “CC”- connector for us who were not in the Commonwealth. He would call we would call from Georgia, North Carolina , New York, Illinois, etc. we knew we were not forgotten! Claude was a role model of what family should be!!! Loving, kind and decent. His Christianity was not just talk it was in his walk. He was soooo proud of his adult children and his grandchildren. Always had respectful wisdom and quite a gentlemen. I still remember the warmth he and Buck extended to me at my Moms funeral services a few short years ago. It was uplifting from the church to go with me to the burial...but I remember those few short warm comments to this day.



Rest In Peace dear, as I know your Alice awaited you at the gates with the other angels.

D. Burrell-King - May 27, 2021 at 12:59 PM

MM

“ Burrell Family,
Our condolences in the loss of your loved one. We will continue to uplift you in our prayers.
Mr.& Mrs Cloyd Moore



Mr. & Mrs Cloyd Moore - May 27, 2021 at 11:03 AM

AW

“ My condolences to the Burrell Family, you are in my prayers 🙏

Arletha DePriest Wells - May 26, 2021 at 03:29 PM



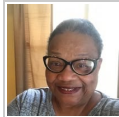
“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May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

March Funeral Homes - May 26, 2021 at 01:17 PM

DI

We extend our most heartfelt condolences to the Burrell Family. He will be missed. Dea. Marshall & LaVerne Ingram

Dea. Marshall & LaVerne Ingram - May 27, 2021 at 07:03 PM



My sincerest condolences to the whole Burrell family. Your mom was dear to my heart and so was your dad. May God comfort you all in this time of bereavement.

Etta Shepperd - May 29, 2021 at 08:08 PM

SD

My sincere condolences to the Burrell family. Sonya Dortch

Sonya Dortch - June 01, 2021 at 12:26 PM

DS

Yvonne I am sincerely praying for you, Josh and the Family. I always enjoyed your "Daddy" stories and knew how close both Mom and Dad were to your heart. Praying for God's peace and comfort during this time. Love and Prayers- Deborah Steele

Deborah Steele - June 02, 2021 at 01:09 PM