



Claude Lee Edmonds, Sr.

May 22, 1947 - August 12, 2014

Reflections of Life

Claude Lee Edmonds, Sr. was born May 22, 1947 in Richmond, Virginia to the late Littleton and Vivian Burston Edmonds. Claude spent his early childhood growing up in Southside Richmond developing lifelong friendships. Later, he moved to Churchill where he increased his circle of friends. He was educated in the Richmond Public Schools where he graduated from Armstrong High School in the class of 1965. He was co-captain of the football team earning the Athlete of the year award. Claude was involved in many clubs, to include the National Honor Society, the Science Club, and the Industrial Arts Club. He held the office of Class Homeroom President, Chaplain of the Senior Class, and was voted Most Handsome by class members. Claude was a model student on and off the field, never letting his athletics interfere with his school work and accomplishments. Claude was shy with a deep bass voice that demanded attention which he got without really trying. He regularly attended the Armstrong Walker Alumni Association Breakfast Meetings as well as class reunions meetings.

Claude John Morning Star Baptist Church at a young age under the leadership of Reverend Duncan Chavis. He later joined his wife at Fourth Baptist Church where he had been a member for several years serving in the capacity of Personnel Committee Co-Chairman and the Male Usher Board Number 2.

He met the love of his life, Wilma “Bunnie” Crew while attending high school. They were voted Class Coupled by their peers; rarely did you see one without the other. Their relationship was so strong that they later married. Next year, they would have been married for 50 years in August. To this union they were blessed with three children, Dedra Edmonds Hampton, Claude Lee Edmonds, Jr., and Brian Michael Edmonds. If you wanted to see Claude’s eyes gleam, just mention his two grandchildren, Madison Lynn Hampton and Brandon Claude Edmonds.

Claude worked very hard to keep his family comfortable starting his career at Philip Morris Tobacco Company. He later joined DuPont Textiles where he was employed until he retired after 44 years of service, retiring as Human Resource Manager.

He leaves to cherish his memory, not to grieve, wife, Wilma Crew Edmonds, devoted children, Dedra Edmonds Hampton, Claude Lee Edmonds, Jr.(Tisha) and Brian Michael Edmonds, grandchildren, Madison Lynn Hampton and Brandon Claude Edmonds, foster grandchildren, twins Syana and Kiana Lapiene, siblings Littleton Edmonds, Jr., Odessa Edmonds and Christine Rita Edmonds, sisters Gloria B. Christian and Lillie M. Anderson preceded him in death, mother-in-law ,Dorothy Henderson, sisters-in-law, Barbara C. Boone(Joe) and Carolyn C. Lewis, brother-in-law, Roosevelt Crew,Jr.(Sylvia), godsons, Lamar Foreham and Kobie Gilpin and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, and other friends co-workers, and relatives, among them devoted James A. Harvey and Ralph Dickerson.

Cemetery Details

Roselawn Memory Gardens

13389 Mountain Road
Glen Allen, VA 23059

Previous Events

Public Viewing

AUG 18. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel
Richmond, VA 23222

Family Hour

AUG 18. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

AUG 19. 12:00 PM (ET)

Fourth Baptist Church
2800 P Street
Richmond, VA 23223

Tribute Wall



“ *Claude Lee Edmonds, Sr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Dear Edmonds Family - I am so sorry for your loss and send my deepest condolences.*

Sheila Sidhu - August 25, 2014 at 01:06 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to the family. Sending my thoughts and prayers to you at this difficult time.*

Bevin Maguire - August 25, 2014 at 07:21 AM



“ *My prayers and heart felt sympathy goes out to the family as the transition of their love one leaves this earthly home and enter into his Heavenly home. He was a friend and a leader/manager who always had time to listen and sincere but honest with his responses.*

Pearlie G., Williams - DuPont co-worker

Pearlie G. Williams - August 19, 2014 at 10:44 AM

LB

“ I knew Claude for a short period he was my coworker at FedEx n that short time I knew he was a good man I'm so sorry for ur lost but time heal all, I would like to share I thoughtful he was I lost my keys at work he gave me a ride home to get my spare n took me back to my car n he didn't won't gas now that was a good person I thank god for people like him I'm sorry again.

Lashon bracey - August 18, 2014 at 11:10 PM

VW

“ Viesta Washington lit a candle in memory of Claude Lee Edmonds, Sr.



Viesta Washington - August 18, 2014 at 07:08 PM

VW

Bunny: you and your family have my deepest sympathy. Claude will be missed. As you stated, he was a husband, father and friend. The Lord has him now, an Angel.

"The depth of your grief is a measure of the love and dedication you gave each other-God bless you."

Viesta Washington - August 18, 2014 at 07:18 PM

DB

“ Our most heartfelt condolences goes out to the Edmonds family during this difficult time. Bunny, you and Claude Sr. always made our family feel very welcome in your home and part of your family. We pray the love of God enfolds you during your journey through grief. We send you thoughts of comfort to you, Dedra, Claude Jr., and Brian.



With love,
Kevin and Dawn Barnes

Dawn Smith Barnes - August 18, 2014 at 02:17 PM

DB

“ Our sincerest condolences to Bunny and our dear family on the loss of Claude. We send our prayers to provide comfort and support to you during this challenging time. Deborah Bolling, Denise Duncan and Margaret Banks, Richmond, Virginia

Deborah Bolling - August 18, 2014 at 09:43 AM

DB

“ Deborah Bolling lit a candle in memory of Claude Lee Edmonds, Sr.



Deborah Bolling - August 18, 2014 at 09:39 AM

DB

“ Deborah Bolling, Denise Duncan & Margaret Banks purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Claude Lee Edmonds, Sr..



Deborah Bolling, Denise Duncan & Margaret Banks - August 18, 2014 at 09:32 AM

MS

“ I'm so sorry for your loss and would like to offer my condolences to your family. Death is such a terrible thing for a family to go through, I actually lost my mom about 5yrs ago. I'm truly grateful that I have the truth about death and look forward to the future when there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous.”— ACTS 24:15. I'm sure you would love to see your dead loved one again in the coming Paradise here on earth! Again so sorry for your loss!!

Ms Springer - August 17, 2014 at 07:44 PM

SJ

“ My prayers are with the family. May you find peace in knowing that the Lord will be with you in your time of sorry.

saint jeffers - August 17, 2014 at 06:07 PM

DH

“ Don & Tracy White and Mildred Hunt purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Claude Lee Edmonds, Sr..



Don & Tracy White and Mildred Hunt - August 17, 2014 at 12:58 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Claude Lee Edmonds, Sr..*



August 16, 2014 at 03:21 AM



“ *Mildred Hunt lit a candle in memory of Claude Lee Edmonds, Sr.*



Mildred Hunt - August 15, 2014 at 07:04 PM



“ *Claude, you will be missed. Thanks for showing me the way around the casino tables....and thanks for looking the other way when I cheated. Love you....*

Michele Ferguson - August 15, 2014 at 04:22 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 14, 2014 at 05:55 PM

MH

I am truly saddened by your death. Your winning smile will be missed I will always remember the time you walked my beautiful daughter down the aisle to marry your son, Thank you for given us that memory. Fly away my friend

Mildred Hunt

Mildred Hunt - August 15, 2014 at 06:58 PM

TC

You meant the world to me and I'm going to miss you! I love you beyond the stars. Love ya!

Your niece Trevor

Trevor Carter - August 16, 2014 at 06:33 PM

TW

*We are so saddened by your death. You always invited us into your home with open arms and a smile. You made us feel like we were a part of your family. We will truly miss seeing your smiling face. Rest in peace.
-Tracy and Don White*

Tracy White - August 17, 2014 at 01:14 PM

MR

I knew Claude through DuPont, back in the '70s/'80s. He was so kind-- a source of support to a young woman supervisor, working crazy hours, who could use all the support she could get. My condolences to his family. Claude is remembered fondly.

Mary Roush - August 19, 2014 at 09:35 PM

WW

I'm so sorry I just found out Claude had passed. He hired me back in 1989 I'm from Durham NC. He was a Great Man. God bless

Warren L wilkins - April 02, 2020 at 09:08 PM