



Clifton E. Bates

March 23, 1942 - December 2, 2002

Clifton E. Bates son o the late Lula Mae and Caldwell Bates was born March 23, 1942 in Union, South Carolina. Affectionately called, “Cee”, he was the 11th child of thirteen and the 7th boy. Baptized at a very early age, an active member of St. Paul Baptist Church and growing up-in what is called today a “large” family-he recognized and appreciated what “family”meant.Early Monday morning on December 2, 2002, he departed his life suddenly.Good fortunate and opportunities were afforded him. With a loving mother to guide him, he received his diploma from Sims High School and immediately enlisted into the Army. After completing several years, he moved to Baltimore where he met, fell in love and married Ms. Anna Linette Scott and out of this union they had two beautiful children: Keith and Donna L. Bates.Cee graduated from Morgan State University in Baltimore, Maryland. Cee secured a position with the National Security Agency. During his thirty years with NSA, he worked in various positions and retired as a Procurement Specialist in 1999.He, as a husband and father, was very loving and devoted. He had great concern for his entire family; and cared about their welfare.Cee will always be remembered as a charismatic, gentle soul, fun loving, compassionate...and most of all a gentleman. He had a manner for which people could embrace and feel at ease.He leaves to mourn his wife, Anna Linnette; one son, Keith E. and one daughter, Donna L. Bates; one grandchild, Shanina Jones; three sisters, Mary Louise Turner and Barbara Capers of Baltimore and Brenda Diane Porter of Union, South Carolina; five brothers, James and Johnson

Bates of Detroit, Michigan, Alphonso Kelly of Union, South Carolina, John Bates of Ellicott City, Maryland and Russell Bates of Sicklerville, New Jersey; and one aunt, Brice Parr of Detroit, Michigan; several sisters and brothers-in-law, many nieces and nephews; goddaughter, Erica D. Scott-Jenerret; godson, Gilbert A. Bedford and other relatives and friends. Let not your heart be troubled Let not your soul be sad, But keep a memory sweet and dear Of all the joys you have had. Walk hand and hand with God Along the road, To reach the rainbow's end, Let not your heart be troubled now For God will be your friend. Sorrowfully, The Family... And the younger of them, said to his father, "Father, give me the portion of goods that falls to me." "So he divided to them his livelihood." Luke: 15:12
Lovely Submitted, Your Son, Keith

Tribute Wall



“ *Clifton E. Bates*

March 25, 2023 at 10:25 AM



“ *Clifton E. Bates*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I still miss you Unc. I miss your laughter and I still have a place empty in my heart.*

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“ *Granddad I will always miss you I love you very much. I know you are watching over me and the rest of the family. I know you are in a peaceful world and not in pain. I love and will always miss you, your Pumpkin Shanina##imported-begin##Shanina Jones##imported-end##*

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“ *I worked with Cliff for many years at NSA. He was my friend and I loved him. My condolences go to Anna and the children. I will never forget my friend.##imported-begin##Ruth Rowley##imported-end##*

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“ I want to express my condolences to Cliff's family. I worked with him at NSA and was shocked to hear of his passing. All of my memories of Cliff are good ones. He ALWAYS had a smile on his face. I will miss seeing him at our "Old Timers" Luncheons. Rest in Peace, dear Cliff. ##imported-begin##Shirley Moore##imported-end##

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“ To the Bates family: My thoughts and prayers are with you at your time of sorrow. God Bless Tisha Jones-Chaney##imported-begin##Tisha Jones-Chaney##imported-end##

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“ I worked with cliff for several years in the Government. Cliff was a great guy to be around. He was always positive in nature and had a way of keeping things loose and fun. My wishes go out to his family##imported-begin##Dave Gauvin##imported-end##

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“ Cliff and I were good friends. I wish to express my condolences to his family.##imported-begin##George Childs##imported-end##

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“ To Donna and her family: Please except my condolences during this sad time.##imported-begin##Jannice P. Harden##imported-end##

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