



Durgie Fred Lawson

January 30, 1929 - January 19, 2003

Durgie Fred Lawson, the only child of the late Duggie and Delilah Lawson, was born in Baltimore on January 30, 1929. He departed this life on January 19, 2003 after suffering from cancer for more than a year. He was raised in east Baltimore where he attended elementary and high school, graduating from Paul Laurence Dunbar Senior High School in June 1946. He was an avid sports fan and played on the school's varsity basketball team. He went on to Hampton Institute in Virginia and received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1950. Later, he attended Loyola College in Baltimore for postgraduate studies. Durgie was appointed a Second Lieutenant in the Army Artillery Corps in June 1950, entered on active duty the following year, and was honorably discharged 1½ years later as a First Lieutenant. For the next thirty years, he taught in the public schools of Baltimore. There was first a relatively short stint at his alma mater, Dunbar High School, and the rest of his teaching career was at Booker T. Washington High School. Wanting to dedicate more time to his family and avocations, Durgie retired from the school system in 1981. The remainder of his life was devoted to woodworking and home improvements for family and friends and to his passion for sports. Bowling was regular activity until he became ill, yet he continued to be an avid spectator of football and basketball. Durgie married the former Alma Mae Dyer in 1952. From their union, three children were born: Jeannette, Glenn and Wayne. In addition to his wife and children, he leaves to mourn his passing a daughter-in-law, Jacinthia; a father-in-law, Martin Dyer, and his wife, Alice; a brother-in-law,

Martin A. Dyer, his wife, Jane, and their daughters, Jennifer and Rebecca; several aunts; many cousins; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Tribute Wall



“ *Durgie Fred Lawson*

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“ *Durgie Fred Lawson*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *My thoughts are with you my friend. Let me know if I can do anything for you or your family.##imported-begin##Kandi Cavin##imported-end##*

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“ *To Wayne and your family, My thoughts are with all of you now during this difficult time. Please know that if any one needs anything, I will do whatever I can do to help. Heather##imported-begin##Heather King##imported-end##*

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“ *Dear Wayne and family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##Susan Glenn##imported-end##*

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“ Dear Jacinthia and Glenn, My sincere condolences to your loss of your Father. There are no words that can express your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this trying time. May you find some comfort in the reflection of fond memories of your Father and they soften your sorrow. Love
Carmilia###imported-begin##Carmilia Henry###imported-end##

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“ Thank you for sharing Durgie Fred Lawson's life history. I read it with a heavy heart and admiration for his family. Wayne, my thoughts are with you at this time of loss. Karen (University of Baltimore)###imported-begin##Karen Dwyer###imported-end##

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“ Dear Wayne and Family, I was so sad to hear of your father's passing. I know that his memory will live in your heart forever. My thoughts are with you and your family. Gena###imported-begin##Gena Glickman###imported-end##

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“ Mrs. Alma, may God and His infinite wisdom continue to bless and keep you in perfect peace. May you and your family always be blessed.###imported-begin##Glynis B. Keke, Funeral Director###imported-end##

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“ Dear Mrs. Lawson and Family, Please know that you are in the thoughts and prayers of Wayne's co-workers at the College of Notre Dame of Maryland. Mary Beth Lennon Institutional Advancement##imported-begin##Mary Beth Lennon##imported-end##

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