



Edward S. Ailor

November 4, 1907 - December 11, 2005

Edward S. Ailor Jr., the son of the late Edward and Daisy Ailor Sr. was born November 4, 1907 in Baltimore, Maryland. He departed this life Sunday, December 11, 2005. Raised in the Sandtown Winchester area, he was among the first students to transfer from the old colored high school to Frederick Douglass High School, which opened in 1924. While in school, he played football, basketball and baseball. As a young man, he worked as a waiter. He worked at several clubs including the Suburban Club and the old Rodgers Forge. Ed also worked the Maryland racing circuit in the Pimlico, Laurel and Bowie Clubhouses for the Harry M. Stevens Caterers. While serving as the Head Waiter for the restaurant in the Friendship Airport, he asked Jane Mansfield for an autograph for his grandson. She signed, "To Eric, you have a handsome grandfather." At the beginning of the Social Security Administration in the mid-1930's, he became a clerk at the Candler Building on Pratt Street in downtown Baltimore. During World War II, he served the Army in England in a transportation unit known as the Red Ball Express, which kept troops supplied with gasoline, food and ammunition. He was then 37 years old and they called him Pops. He was befriended by a family in Wales and they corresponded. The story of his letter-writing to the family, The Bowen-Braverys, was detailed in a 1986 Evening Sun Article, "Friends—across a wide sea, across 41 years." After the war, he learned to drive and became a route salesman for the old Leon Levi jewelers at Lexington and Eutaw streets. He was the first black route salesman they had. His customers bought jewelry, irons and home

appliances on time, and collected payments weekly. “He was an affable man, full of personality,” said Frank M. Conaway, clerk of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City. “He was always nattily dressed and was the epitome of sartorial splendor.” In his later years, Ed Ailor became a chauffeur for city solicitors George Russell and Benjamin Brown. Throughout his life, he was a sports fan. He avidly followed the Orioles and Colts and, while in his 90’s attended Ravens games. He also never gave up his affection for thoroughbred racing—he attended the Kentucky Derby while on assignment in the Army during World War II when he was stationed in the U.S. In later years, he took bus trips to the Belmont Stakes in New York and was a regular at Maryland’s tracks. Ed Ailor was a longtime member of Metropolitan United Methodist Church. He was also an honorary member of a social club, The Esquires. His wife of 52 years, the former Corrie Carter, died in 1985. Survivors include sons, Edward Ailor III and Cordell Ailor of Baltimore; a sister, Hilda A. Carter, also of Baltimore; two grandchildren; and four great grandchildren.

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“ Please accept my sincere condolences on the loss of your loved one. During this difficult time, the Bible is a wonderful source of comfort. Jesus promises us at John 5:28,29 that "...all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out..." It's wonderful to know that our loved ones are resting and at peace until Jesus brings them back to life. In the meantime, may the hope of seeing your dear loved one again, as well as your fond memories, bring a measure of comfort to you and your family.##imported-begin##Sandy Sloane##imported-end##

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“ He was a local hero, and pioneer. A true model and member of the greatest generation.##imported-begin##An admirer.##imported-end##

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“ Dear Eddie & Cordell, I have many great memories of your father and both of you as well. My deepest sympathy is extended to you. Fondly, Lisa###imported-begin###Lisa Little###imported-end##

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“ Mr.Ailor was a fine and personable man that I had the pleasure to meet at Latessa tanna over 4years ago...He was funny, pleasant and unbelievably youthful! I feel blessed to have met him and happy to know that he had a full rewarding life filled to the brim with memories and people. What a great Life!!###imported-begin###Connie Williams###imported-end##

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“ Cordell & Edward, May you find peace in knowing how very much your father was loved and respected you have our deepest sympathy###imported-begin###Lawrence & Linda Jenkins###imported-end##

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“ Cordell & Edward, May the knowledge and many loving memories of a loving Father sustain you during your time of sorrow Much Love Elbie & Yoma###imported-begin###Elbie and Yoma Howard###imported-end##

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“ Dear Cordell & Eddie: Please accept our condolences - Mr. Ed was a true gentleman and a pleasure to know.##imported-begin##George & Ida##imported-end##

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“ Cordell & Edward, your father, Mr. Ailor was the true example of greatness in character and in spirit! I am so glad that Mom (Brenda) & I had a chance to visit him just a couple of weeks ago. His spirit was cheerful and gleaming full of life. We laughed, and talked. It was a blessing to me to be in his presence one more time. He was like a 2nd grandfather to me: Picking me up from grade-school when I had to leave early, always lifting me up with kind words, visiting him at Sutton Place, watching him in his 90's continuing to be the life of the party, the best dressed, and with a spirit I only hope to emulate. He is one of the greatest personalities to have blessed my life, leading by example. As I watched the beauty of the songbirds, 2 Red Cardinals & 2 Blue Jays fly past my window, I thought of Mr. Ailor's loving spirit continuing to live on, in our beautiful fond memories of him. My heart goes out to both of you and your family. He will be truly missed. For his life is the example of how we should all live.##imported-begin##Robin Williams-Edwards##imported-end##

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“ Cordel & Edward, Pease know that I cherish the memories of your father, along with the friendship we all shared. He was a mentor to me, and I will always appreciate him for his selfless amazing character, and kindness he has always shown to me and my family. Know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Love,
Brenda###imported-begin###Brenda Greene Williams###imported-end##

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“ I knew Edward Ailor Jr., as Mr. Ed. I worked at La Tesso Tana. He used to stop pass everyday. Mr. Ed was a kind and wonderful gentleman. We will really miss him sincerely. My prayers go out to his family. God Bless.###imported-begin###Cheryl & James Henson###imported-end##

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“ My condolences to the Ailor family in the loss of Mr Ailor.Psalms 116:15 and Revelation 21:34 can bring much comfort to all of his loved one in their time of loss.###imported-begin###Elaine Ludd###imported-end##

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“ Hello Family & Friends, I am so sorry to hear of your loss and I am offering my condolences. The scriptures can be of great comfort to us all. I am reminded of the scripture at John 11:25,26 where Jesus says "I am the resurrection and the life. He that exercises faith in me, even though he dies, will come to life; and everyone that is living and exercises faith in me will never die at all." May you be comforted by this scripture.##imported-begin##Sophia##imported-end##

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“ Death is a harsh and devastating interruption to life a precious gift of God. Yet in most of our lives today we see death as our final eventuality accepted by many. However our heavenly father Jehovah God, the giver of life promises that one day in our near future death will be no more. As Revelations 21:3-4 states “God will wipe every tear from our eyes and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor out cry nor pain be anymore.” How truly happy we all will be not to ever be threaten by death because it is Jehovah God’s promise to us according to Psalms 37:29 for the righteous ones to live forever on earth. Another hopeful awaiting thought in our future is all those who have lost their lives to death or the lost of our love ones, Jehovah God says according to John 5:28,29 all those in the memorial tombs will hear Jesus voice and come out. Yes these ones will live again! We all can hold fast to this because Titus 1:2 states: upon the basis of hope of everlasting life, which God, who cannot lie promised before times long lasting. Such a comforting thought to know our having life forever was always Jehovah God’s promised purpose for us. My deepest sympathy to the family.##imported-begin##B Carter##imported-end##

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“ Hi Ailor 's! May this come as an uplifting thoughts. Death is unnatural for all of us today. When we lose a love one in death we can recall all the wonderful thoughts of our heavenly father. The bible tell us many of the promises found there such as Isa. 33: 24 where the bible say that the time is coming when no one will ever say they are sick, Rev 21:3,4 show that there will be no more pain , sorrow, crying, dying,. The greatest new ever told today. Mr. Ailor showed that Ps.90:10 is very much true of him since he lived to be _____ years old.It is great to know what the bible say about life , the resurrection. hope for future life on earth under better condition. I hope you keep bright the bible hope for the millions that have die. My sincere condolences. Lillian Crosby.##imported-begin##lillian crosby##imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy during your time of sorrow but knows that the God of comfort is with you all during this time of tribulation. (2Corinthian 1:3-4) Due to the many unforeseen occurrences that brings tragedy to our lives Jehovah God promises one day soon Death will be no more (Rev 21:3-4) and his son have been given the authority to bring all those in the memorial tombs back to life. John 5:28-29 What a wonderful prospect for our future##imported-begin##sorry2 hear##imported-end##

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“ Ailor This is a belated message and I told you when we last spoke that I would send you a message of comfort. While it sad and painful to lose someone in death as I just lost one of my brothers its comforting to know of Jehovah`s wonderful promises he has made to us by means of his written word, For the Book of Acts 24:15 Paul stated that "there is going to be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous". That mean that we will see them again in the flesh. They will be healthy, youthful, and full of vital energy. How does that sound to you? Other scriptures to consider is John 5:28,29, Psalm 37:9,10,29 as well as Revelation 21:3,4. All are wonderful promises made by Jehovah God. In your spare time enjoy reading them for yourself. Thanks for your time and attention. Agape Dede###imported-begin##Marilyn De Williams##imported-end##

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