



## Emmanuel Leon Christian

September 8, 1935 - December 24, 2004

Emmanuel Leon Christian was born in Danville, Virginia on September 8, 1935 to the late Herman and Ella Christian. There, he attended school until 1942 when the family moved to Baltimore, Maryland. He continued his education in the Baltimore City Public School System, graduating from Douglass High school in 1954. He later attended Johns Hopkins University, prior to entering the Armed Forces and served in the 82nd Airborne Division. He was honorably discharged from the military and continued his pursuit of higher education by attending the University of Baltimore. On March 11, 1955, he married Annie Brandon. This union was blessed with three beautiful daughters. Although Emmanuel and Annie divorced, they remained friends throughout the remainder of his life. He started his career in the service industry at Sealtest Dairy. Drawn by his entrepreneurial spirit, he developed several businesses. As well as owning several dry cleaning stores, he culminated his business career by owning the Greater Baltimore Insurance Agency. Emmanuel attended Bethany Baptist Church as a child. Later, as an adult, he gave his life to Christ, and continued his membership at Bethany Baptist. He served by driving the church van, singing on the male chorus, and working with the youth. He was affectionately known as Pete and enjoyed cooking, baseball games, and spending time with his children and grandchildren. He leaves to mourn: his sister, Novella Smith; his brother, Winston Christian; his children Tanya Richmond, Toni Fossett, and Melanie Shockley; sons-in-law, Mark Richmond, Melvin Fossett and Quincy Shockley;

three grandchildren, Roderick Brown, Tiffany and Brittany Richmond; two nephews, Warren Smith, Jr. (wife, Yvonne) and Zachary Smith; ex-wife, Ruth Christian; and a host of relatives and friends.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Emmanuel Leon Christian*

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March 25, 2023 at 10:25 AM



“ *Emmanuel Leon Christian*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *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##Carter##imported-end##*

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July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ *Tanya, Toni, Melanie, and family, may you always keep your hand in the Master's hand and He will provide your every need.##imported-begin##Glynis B. Keke, Funeral Director##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 Revelation 21:3,4 where Almighty God says that he is going to wipe the tears from our eyes and death will be no more neither will mourning nor crying nor pain be any more. The Bible also promises that we will be able to see our dead loved ones again by means of a resurrection. (John 5:28,29) It is my hope that you will be comforted by these scriptures.##imported-begin##Sophia Briscoe##imported-end##

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“ Toni Fossitt & family, So sorry to hear of your loss; I shall continue to keep you and your family in my thoughts and prayers. Peace##imported-begin##tom kerrigan##imported-end##

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“ I have fond and special memories of Mr. Christian. He was a gentleman, a scholar and a man of dignity, integrity and valor. My children were deeply moved by his acts of kindness and unselflessness. He used to pick them up with the church bus for choir rehearsals and Sunday morning services. There was no one like Mr. Christian. He spoke wisdom to me and my children. But more important it wasn't his words that inspired us, but his silence. His personality, loving and giving spirit spoke louder than words. I will cherish my memories of a small statute man, but a big giant in my life. Take your rest Mr. Christian, you are now celebrating from labor to reward. Thank you for impacting my life. Love always, Glynis Johnson, Tinika, Melodye, LeShawn, Ronda, and Shanell.##imported-begin##Glynis Johnson##imported-end##

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“ Please accept my condolences. It seems so unfair that death should have the power to take away someone we love. However the bible assures us at John 5:28,29 "The hour is coming in which all those in their memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out..." What a joy it will be to be united with our love ones again. May you all find comfort from the holy scriptures, family, and friends.##imported-begin##Vanessa Adams##imported-end##

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