



## Ernest Tomlin Sr.

October 13, 1940 - January 21, 2022

Ernest Calvin Tomlin, Sr. better known as "Tank" or "Sonny" in his younger years, was born on October 13, 1940 in Baltimore, Maryland to the late Robinson Taylor and Eva Louise Matthews. He transitioned from this life and was welcomed to his Heavenly Home on January 21, 2022.

Tank grew up in the Baltimore City area known as "Sandtown" and received his education through the Baltimore City Public School System. He had an interesting work history, starting out at a young age as an "Arabber". He and his Aunt Jo Brown sold newspapers together. He then proceeded to work for the Penn Upholster Company. Later, he was the manager of the Elgin Lounge. Ultimately, he began working for the Banner Construction Company where he remained until he retired.

On February 25, 1961, Tank married Christine Fletcher and from that union three children were born: Ernest Jr., Geneva, and Leslie. They provided him with the joy of his life, especially his grandchildren and great grandchildren, by whom he was lovingly known as "Pop-Pop".

Tank was very sociable and loved by many. Although he would call you by the wrong name, no matter how many times you corrected him. He was a constant patron of the Northeast Market. He was jokingly known as the "Mayor" of that facility. He was known by many, even if he traveled out of

state. He enjoyed playing the lottery and going to the Horseshoe Casino. He was an enthusiastic sports fan, especially football and the Baltimore Ravens. Tank was a dapper dresser and was known for wearing "apple" hats. He loved to travel and was very well versed in the identification of many spirits, especially Canadian Club (C.C.), which was his favorite.

Tank leaves to mourn, a devoted wife 60 years, Christine; children, Ernest Jr. (Eugenia), Geneva (Gordon), and Leslie (Cedric); grandchildren, Domonique (Terrence Jr.), Jasmine (Randall), Jada, Maryum, Erika and Joshua; great-grandchildren, Mar'quan, and Terrence III; brother, Ronald Matthews (Mecia); sisters; Sheila Crudup (John), Soretta Williams, and Andrea Duran (Carlos). He was preceded in death by a brother, Leroy Griffing Sr. and sisters, Ella Spencer and Patricia Stevens; aunt, Delores "Jo Brown" Merritt (Tyrone); a special cousin, Jacqueline V. Coates; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Arbutus

1101 Sulphur Spring Rd.  
Baltimore, MD 21227

# Previous Events

## viewing

FEB 11. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home - East  
1101 E. North Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21202

## Wake

FEB 12. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

FEB 12. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Ernest Tomlin Sr., Please Click the Link below.*



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**March Funeral Homes** - February 12, 2022 at 10:03 AM

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“ *World's greatest Pop-pop, it still stings when I hear your name. I could recount years of memories, but one of my favorites was cooking you a meal when I purchased my first home. Or the laughter from hearing about you picking with T and your boy attacking you! Memories like these keep you close in my heart.*

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**Maryum** - April 06, 2024 at 09:48 AM



“ *Ernest Tomlin Sr.*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM

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“ *WORLD'S GREATEST POP POP!*

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**Domonique Allen** - February 13, 2022 at 07:28 PM

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“ I remember meeting "Uncle Tank" years ago. He was always outgoing whenever you saw him. As I got older I would always see him at the Northeast Market. He always asked me how I was. We even would have a drink every now and then at the neighborhood bar. Much respect for him whenever I saw him. Rest in piece "Uncle Tank". My condolences to his friends and family. Leon Brooks , Jr.

Leom Brooks Jr. - February 10, 2022 at 02:54 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ernest Tomlin Sr..



February 02, 2022 at 03:45 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 - January 22, 2022 at 03:09 PM