



Gossie Harold Hudson

February 22, 1930 - September 20, 2009

Dr. Gossie Harold Hudson, was born February 22, 1930 to the late Mr. Gossie Mack and Bertha Elizabeth Hudson in New Bern, North Carolina. During his early years, Gossie wanted to be a musician, writer and historian, all at the same time. After completing high school, Gossie attended Morgan State College (now Morgan State University). While at Morgan, he joined the United States Army and served our country for two years. He spent 18 months of his TDY stationed in Germany. After finishing his tenure with the Army, Gossie transferred to North Carolina Central University. While attending North Carolina Central University, Gossie met the love of his life Ms Florence Delores McCall. In May of 1956, Gossie and Florence graduated; they united in holy matrimony on June 30, 1956. From this union, Mr. Gossie Harold Hudson, Jr., who preceded him in death and Mrs. Florence Elizabeth Hudson-McPherson. Earlier in life, Gossie became a father to Mrs. Cassandra Hodges. In his spare time, Gossie enjoyed playing his saxophone, clarinet and a bit of piano. He also enjoyed writing poetry. He became an authority on Paul Laurence Dunbar and William Florville, Abraham Lincoln's barber. One of his most memorable moments was meeting a granddaughter of Paul Laurence Dunbar, in her home in Delaware. She was so delighted to meet one who had written so many books and articles and had conducted an extensive research into her grandfather's history. She was so moved she gave him a trunk load of her grandfather's possessions. His first teaching job was in Sarasota, Florida at Butler-Baker High School. Gossie taught and lived in several other states.

His most notable move was to Columbus, Ohio. Where he received his doctoral degree in History. His doctoral dissertation was on Paul Laurence Dunbar. One of the last stops in his academic career was his move to Baltimore, Maryland. There he accepted the position as full professor and chairman of the Department of History at Morgan State University. Gossie remained at Morgan for 20 years, retiring in 1999. Also in 1999, Gossie received the Doctor Of Human Letters Honorary Degree, conferred by Sojourner Douglass College. While at Morgan, Gossie initiated a two-way talk show, named "Just You and Me". This show enlightened the community concerning little known facts about black people. The show aired through WEAA at Morgan State University and was successfully aired for 27 years. Gossie has published 7 books: " The Paul Laurence Dunbar Reader"; "Forward for Freedom: Abraham Lincoln and the Negroes"; "My Soul Sings"; "A Biography of Paul Laurence Dunbar"; "My Favorite Dunbar Poems"; "Abraham Lincoln and Blacks During the Civil War, with special reference to William Florence "; "A Directory of Black Historians, Essays and Commentaries" and over 75 articles. On September 20, 2009, Gossie was called by God to wait His return. To cherish his memory, he leaves his lovely and adoring wife, Florence Delories Hudson; his daughters, Florence Elizabeth Hudson-McPherson of Baltimore, MD and Cassandra Hodges (Melvin) of New Bern, N.C.; his grandchildren, Erica Hodges, Melvin Hodges, Jr., Lindsay Nicole, Keith Quentin, Jr., Justin Jeremy and Florence Delories II McPherson; his great- grandchildren Shawn Harold Brandon Gregory, Nicholas Gaymon and Audrey Lauren Aur; his aunt and uncle, Velma and Arthur Moore; sisters-in-law, Mary Elvern Parish and Jean Arnold McCall, a close relatives Hilton Reddick; first cousins-in-law, Leon and Ethel Andrews, a host of loving family, friends and extremely close friend considered as a family member, Carrie Godette.

Tribute Wall



“ *Gossie Harold Hudson*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



I salute him !

*He did what I,wanted to do with Paul Lawrence Dunbar's stupendous contributions to AA HISTORY & CULTURE.....
ALL CHILDREN SHOULD .EET GOSSIE THRU HIS WORKS TO WITNESS ,experience his ambition ,determination & unqiye contribution to AA history & heritage. Just met Gossie for the first time this Tha ksgiving,2022 morning.*

Florence L Johnson - November 24, 2022 at 07:25 AM



“ *I studied under Dr. Hudson at Morgan State University in 1987. He was a remarkable educator and proud Black Man. His lessons and love of history continue to inspire me all these yrs later. Peace and Blessings to the entire family.*

Lamarr J. Milton - August 29, 2021 at 07:45 AM



“ *I can remember going With My Grand father to one of his lectures at Morgan State University way back in the day, I must have been 6 or 7 years old. It was a very special time for me during those years.*



Justin McPherson - August 20, 2021 at 12:45 AM

AA

“ I actually never knew my grand father he died just about when I was born but my grand mother Florence had told me many things about this man and I'm glad he's my grandfather

Aubrey Aur - November 30, 2020 at 06:17 AM

IA

“ I know it has been years but I was talking about Dr. Hudson today! Studied under him at Lincoln University of Missouri 1973-75. It says something when you are still a topic of discussion 45 years later! One of the most gifted and influential professors in my life. Peace and Blessings to the Family!

idriys j abdullah - November 28, 2020 at 06:46 PM

DA

“ One of the best professors I ever had. It's been over 45 years now, and the lessons he taught have stayed with me all my life.

Diana Arneson - July 07, 2020 at 07:04 PM

AS

“ "Once we get the children straight the parents will fall right in line." - Dr. Gossie Harold Hudson

I looked forward to hearing these words weekly on the Just You and Me, Two-Way Talk Show on WEAA. I quote him often. Gone but never forgotten.

Amira Saran - August 07, 2019 at 10:17 PM

NL

“ Remembering and Thankful for the Memories....Ase` Doc!



Nzinga Ama Linton - April 27, 2011 at 04:30 AM

QL

“ Thank you Doc!



Queen Nzinga Ama Linton - April 27, 2011 at 04:27 AM



“ Florence and family may God continue to keep and bless you as you move forward through this difficult time. Florence your faith is greater than the galaxy. I love you.##imported-begin##Dawn Gardner##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ The Members of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. Pi Omega Chapter Baltimore, MD extend our sympathy to the family in the loss of our esteemed Brother, member and friend. Peace##imported-begin##Mike Breeden, KRS Pi Omega Chapter##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ I would like to convey my condolences for the loss of your loved one. The Bible teaches about a future time when all those who have fallen asleep in death will live again by means of a resurrection on a paradise earth (John5:28-29, Psalm37:11,29). May you find comfort in Jehovah God and the many wonderful promises found in His word the Bible because Titus 1:2 assures us that He cannot lie. Warmest regards.##imported-begin##C. Murphy##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ I am sorry for your loss.May you find comfort in knowing how Almighty God Jehovah feels about death. Yes, Almighty God has not only the power but also the desire to resurrect those who had died. 'And to Jehovah the Sovereign Lord belong the ways out from death(Psalms 68:20).##imported-begin##A. Jackson##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ To the Hudson Family: My sincere condolences at the loss of Dr. Gossie Hudson. May God give you comfort at this difficult time and God bless you.##imported-begin##D. Lee##imported-end##

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“ Mr. Gossie was a goodfriend and may not understand what you and your family are going through but I can say the God are with you of loss##imported-begin##Walter Samuel##imported-end##

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“ Dear Cousin Florence and Family, May God continue to be present in your lives as you celebrate the contributions to family and education made by Dr.Hudson, Cousin Gossie. During this time of physical separation our family prayers are with you in love.###imported-begin###Reverend S.McNeill-Lee###imported-end##

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“ May God be with you in your time of mourning. Gossie will be missed. He was a wonderful role model. He supported me in my educational pursuits and helped me get into a doctoral program at Howard University. My prayers are with you.###imported-begin###Shalome 'Kim' Felder###imported-end##

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“ PEACE AND BLESSINGS FAMILY; I PRAY THAT YOUR HEARTS ARE FILLED WITH THE KNOWLEDGE THAT DR. HUDSON TOUCHED MILLIONS OF LIVES.HE LIVES IN MY HEART FOREVER,WE WERE ALL BEYOND BLESSED TO HAVE KNOWN HIM. HE WILL FOREVER BE LOVED AND MISSED. PLEASE CALL ME @ 443-563-8180 TO GOD BE THE GLORY!###imported-begin###VICTORY CHRISTINE SWIFT###imported-end##

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“ To the family, Please accept my sincere sympathy. It is truly unfortunate that we have to experience the sorrow associated with the loss of one we love. This is a sorrow that God promises will one day be no more (Rev 21:3,4). As you await the fulfillment of this promise may you find comfort from, "the Father of tender mercies and the God of all comfort who will comfort you in all your tribulations." (2 Corinthians 1:3, 4)##imported-begin##Gwen Winston##imported-end##

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