



## Harold Clifton Davis Sr.

March 2, 1940 - January 15, 2021

### Legacy of Love

The abiding love of a husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, biker and friend.

Harold Clifton Davis, Sr., was born March 2, 1940 in Sandston, Virginia and called home on January 15, 2021. He accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized at Bethany Baptist Church in Sandston, Virginia. He later became a member of the Mount Olive Baptist Church in Glen Allen, Virginia where he served on the building committee and male usher board.

Harold attended Virginia Randolph High School in Henrico County, Virginia where he excelled in mathematics. He matriculated at Virginia State College, currently known as Virginia State University, Petersburg, Virginia earning his Bachelors of Science in Mathematics in 1962. He was initiated into the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc in the Spring of 1960 ("Dog Doolittle"). It was there where he met Elsie; his bride of 58 years. Elsie and Harold wedded in holy matrimony on August 11, 1962 and they had four children: Dwayne, Kimberly, Harold Jr. and Kathy.

Upon graduation, Harold was commissioned as an officer in the United States Army as a Second Lieutenant. He served in the Vietnam War as a Captain

and was a recipient of the Bronze Medal Award. Harold spent several more years in active duty at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He later moved to the United States Army Reserves, honorably discharged in 1972. Harold continued to support veterans in his later years. He enjoyed meeting up with fellow veterans for breakfast and participated in the annual Rolling Thunder, POW-MIA motorcycle ride.

Harold pursued numerous interests in his civilian life. He held several management positions at Phillip Morris and Nabisco. He also traveled the United States as an independent owner tractor trailer operator. The neighborhood kids, his nieces and nephews loved hearing the horn and rumble of his white and green flat nose Kenworth truck, knowing they would take a ride around the block. Like his brothers, Harold had a proficiency for carpentry. He was a licensed contractor and Professor of Carpentry at J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College. His work can be seen across Richmond and his proudest accomplishment was the construction of his brother Ernest's home. Harold retired from the United States Postal Service. After retiring, he enjoyed spending time on his Harley and with his grandkids.

Harold always loved cars and motorcycles. He owned several bikes in his life, but fell in love with Harley Davidson. The sound was music to his ears. Although he enjoyed riding for pleasure, he always participated in numerous rides for charity. He was a member of Harley Owners Group (H.O.G.) and the Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club. The freedom of the road was important to him and one of his great joys was being able to ride his motorcycle alongside his son.

Harold was affectionately known as "Papa" or "Pops" to his grandchildren. His grandchildren enjoyed hanging at "Nana & Papa's home". They often accompanied him to his favorite neighborhood coffee shop, Starbucks, where he was a regular. He and Elsie were active grandparents who loved attending

school award programs, ballet performances, as well as string and band concerts. He was a cheerleader at soccer, football, and track meets and often photographed his grandkids.

Harold known as “Manboy” to his family was preceded in death by his parents Elizabeth “Lizzie” Harris and Walter Davis Sr., son Dwayne Anthony, brothers Louis “Snook” Davis (Marjorie), Henry Davis (Ada), Walter Davis (Dorothy), Simon Linwood “Lyn” Davis (Lucille), George Davis (Lucille), Aaron Davis (Bertha), Ernest Davis (Dorothy), and sister Anna “Sis” Johnson (Lorenzo). He leaves to cherish in his memory his loving and devoted wife, Elsie M. Davis; three children: Kimberly Davis-Wiley (Al), Harold C. Davis, Jr. (Rosalyn), and Kathy Davis Riddick (Thomas); beloved grandchildren: Zoë, Olivia, Justin, Kaitlin, Jonathan, Ava, Alexys, Alyssa, Andrew, and William; several in-laws, a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Harold was extraordinary accomplished in all areas, quick witted, handsome, strong, loving, an intellectual, charming, no nonsense, remarkable man that lived life to the fullest. He will be missed beyond measure.

~ The Family ~

# Cemetery Details

## Quantico National Cemetery

18424 Joplin Road  
Triangle, VA 22172

# Previous Events

## Walk through Visitation

JAN **25**. 11:00 AM - 4:30 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Celebration of Life

JAN **26**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Harold Clifton Davis Sr.,  
Please Click the Link below.



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**March Funeral Homes** - January 22, 2021 at 10:42 AM



“ *Harold Clifton Davis Sr.*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *My deepest condolences, and wishing you all peace and comfort  
during this difficult time. Love and Prayers,*

*Frances Williams*

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**Frances Williams** - January 25, 2021 at 07:16 PM



“ *You have my deepest condolences to the  
entire Davis Family. May GOD give you  
comfort through this difficult time. Prayers  
going up for strength. Love always. C.C.  
Walker (Mahone) and Family 🙏*



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**Cynthia RM Walker** - January 25, 2021 at 10:16 AM



“ Leo Brown lit a candle in memory of Harold Clifton Davis Sr.



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**Leo Brown** - January 25, 2021 at 09:21 AM

RM

“ Uncle Manboy witnessed me preaching a eulogy in a beautiful black suit. He asked me why wasn't I wearing a robe. I told him I didn't have one. He told me find one and I will buy it. I found it the same day and he met me at the store and purchased it. I will never forget his act of kindness and compassion for my pastoral ministry. We will miss him and his kind spirit. ....Rev. Zynora Jean Davis Manson

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**Rev. Zynora Davis Manson** - January 24, 2021 at 06:08 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harold Clifton Davis Sr..



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January 24, 2021 at 01:45 PM

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“ Praying for peace and God's healing power to comfort and keep you today and always. I will always cherish Mr. Davis caring for my children with love and giving Terry his first ride on that Harley. Ride now on God's trail of glory. Rest In Peace. Love the Fry Family.

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**Teresa Washington-Fry** - January 24, 2021 at 01:36 PM

GT

*Sending expressions of sympathy to the entire Davis family with much love during this time of bereavement from Gloria Tucker family. It's hard to believe our friendship has spanned over 50 years, time waits for no one! I'm Praying God will continue to bless & keep you for ever more!*

**Gloria Glass Tucker** - January 24, 2021 at 06:10 PM

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“ *The Lapeyrolerie & Evans Families purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Harold Clifton Davis Sr..*



**The Lapeyrolerie & Evans Families** - January 24, 2021 at 12:35 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harold Clifton Davis Sr..*



January 24, 2021 at 09:23 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harold Clifton Davis Sr..*



January 22, 2021 at 01:11 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.

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**March Funeral Homes** - January 20, 2021 at 07:31 PM