



## Henderson LaForest Lee

November 30, 1941 - June 21, 2009

Henderson LaForest Lee was born November 30, 1941, in Baltimore, Maryland to the late Henderson Lee and to Ann B. Lee. Nicknamed "Sonny", as he was known to many, he entered into rest, Sunday June 21, 2009. He accepted Christ at an early age and joined the New Friendship Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Joseph Culp. He was educated in the Baltimore City Public Schools. First attending Dunbar in high school he later transferred to Baltimore City College, from where he graduated. He was one of three African Americans to integrate the school. In 1963 Henderson joined the United States Air Force serving with them from 1963-1967, traveling throughout the world. "Lee" as many of his co-workers called him, began working for the Social Security Administration in 1967. During this tenure he held various positions. Several of these included the Recovery Reviewer position and providing training for the Class Action Components. He retired as a Disability Examiner, a position which he loved and held for a long time. While still working at the Social Security Administration, he also joined the 135th Air National Guard where he faithfully served. After twenty years of service, he retired at the rank of Master Sergeant, USAF. Anyone who knew Lee knew that he was a camera buff and he loved taking pictures. He was also a great collector of many things cameras, coins, baseball cards, model cars and airplanes, lighthouse, postcards and old CDs and movies. An avid Star Trek collector, he was also known as a "Trekky". During a previous marriage to Vivian (Perry) Lee, three children were born; Cheryl, JoAnn and

Anthony. On June 6, 1997 he married Evelyn Gassaway, after a lengthy courtship. In his union with Evelyn, he also became father to Rochelle, Anthony James and Rosalind Gassaway and grandfather to LaShawn Mercer. He leaves to cherish his memory his mother, Anna B. Lee; wife, Evelyn I. Lee; daughters, Cheryl Franklin, JoAnn Wilson, (Winston), Rochelle and Rosaling Gassaway, and sons Anthony Lee and Anthony James Gassaway, (Mary); grandchildren, Shameka Lee, Shante Franklin, Devon Wilson, Alexis Wilson, Gabrielle Strouthman-Lee, Kennedy Lee, LaShawn Mercer (Devon), Marc Anthony Gassaway, Faith Johnson, Avery McClary; one great-grandson, Michael Lee Maddox; a brother Major M. Lee, (Beatrice), brother-in-laws Howard E. Hughes (Muriel) and sister-in-law Angela Greene (Mike) and a host of relatives and friends. He will also be missed by special friends Kenneth and Bonita Brown and Francis (Mack) McLendon.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Henderson LaForest Lee*

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“ *I extend my deepest condolences to the Lee family in the passing of Sonny. Ms. Evelyn, I had never met you until that day, but I know it is hard to lose a loved one. Stay strong and know that you are not alone. Ms. Anna, you will continue to be in my prayers and you know that God does not make mistakes. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Cheryl, your father loved you very much and you MUST hold those memories close to your heart. I know that it is hard and that greiving is only natural, but each day will get a little bit easier and God will send a Comforter to ease your pain. Always look to the hills from whence cometh your help. He will be there to wipe away the tears. God Bless You All.##imported-begin##Terri (Lewis) Brown##imported-end##*

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“ *Please accept my sincere 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 (John5:28-29; Psalm37:11,29). May you find solace in the God of all comfort and he will sustain you during this difficult time (2Cor1:3-4; Psalm37:11,29).##imported-begin##C. Murphy##imported-end##*

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“ Praying for you in your loss. That god will be with you to give you strength and peace and hope. As only he can do.##imported-begin##Esther M. Foster##imported-end##

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“ Lee was a very good long time friend. There was a group of us that enjoyed each others company - we will all miss Lee##imported-begin##Deborah Riddick##imported-end##

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“ My condolences to the family. I attended elem.school with Henderson. I have not seen him in yrs,but I was hurt to learn of his passing. we were friends. May God bless each member of his family.##imported-begin##Rosalind Watts-Gibbs##imported-end##

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“ Evelyn, You have my deepest sympathy in the death of your loved one. Lee was a old friend and coworker and was a fun person. God Bless you and your family.##imported-begin##Carole Jackson##imported-end##

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“ Mrs. Lee and family, I am sorry to here of the passing of your son. May God continue to be with you in, Ours prayers are with you. Love, Jimmy & Winnie Gilliard##imported-begin##WENDOLIA GILLIARD##imported-end##

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“ *Death is something that we will never get use to because the Bible refers to it as 'the last enemy.' May you find comfort in knowing that our loving Heavenly Father Jehovah promises us that very soon, He will by means of His son Jesus, bring our 'enemy' to nothing. (1Corinthians 15:26) What a wonderful time that will be!##imported-begin##Kevin Jackson##imported-end##*

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“ *Evelyn I was sadden to hear of Lee passing. God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in times of troubles. Continue to look to God for your strength.##imported-begin##Cynthia Davis##imported-end##*

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“ *miss ann, you have my deepest symapthy in the lost of your son, may god bless his wife and children during this difficult time.##imported-begin##joyce myles##imported-end##*

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