



## Henry Wesley McLaren, III

January 14, 1942 - July 27, 2022

Henry Wesley “Red” McLaren, III was born on January 14, 1942 in Richmond, Virginia to the union of Henry and Mamie McLaren, in which he was the eldest of ten siblings. He brought the family much joy and was the apple of their eye. Everyone adored sweet Baby Henry!

As the eldest, his father taught him the craft of carpentry, but music was in his soul. Henry was a creative talent, who wrote his first song, “Heaven Knows I Love You,” at the age of 12. During his early years, Henry formed many singing groups. One group in particular had a television appearance on the popular 70’s TV show, “The Mr. C Show,” which premiered on Friday nights. His family, friends, and especially his younger siblings were very proud to watch him on TV and boast to their friends that their brother was a celebrity. He wrote and recorded numerous songs with his quartet singing group, “The Anointed Disciples;” the first CD was entitled “Jesus is Calling.” He was ordained as a Deacon at Greater Mount Moriah Baptist Church, and a current member of St. Paul’s Baptist Church. “Red” was our celebrity! To know him was to love him. His melodious voice was not the only thing on display. He made his presence known with his stylish dress, his hat and shoe collection, his red hair, and let’s not forget his signature processed waves that were fried, dyed, and laid to the side (Everyone knew not to touch his hair)! Henry was educated in the Richmond Public School system and attended Navy Hill Elementary, George Mason Junior High, and Armstrong High School. He then

moved to New York to live with his beloved Uncle Calvin. While there, he attended seminary. He later returned home to Richmond, where he married his first wife, Alice Virginia "Doll" McLauren. They were the proud parents of three sons, and their father gave them all nicknames: Timmy, Tony, and Moose. His sons were his heart. Henry was a dedicated employee of The City of Richmond for more than 35 years. After his retirement, he enjoyed traveling with his second wife of 42 years, Barbara "Margie" McLauren, hosting cookouts, having family and friends together, spoiling his cats and his dog, Precious, and keeping a watchful eye on the neighborhood. He enjoyed playing and coaching football and baseball, and was a fan of all sports, but there was a special place in his heart for The Dallas Cowboys. Grandpa Henry especially loved attending his great grandsons' football and basketball games. His voice echoed throughout the crowd.

Henry received his Heavenly wings on July 27, 2022. He was preceded in death by his second wife, Barbara "Margie" McLauren; his first wife, Alice Virginia "Doll" McLauren; one sister, Eunice Lee McLauren; four brothers, infant McLauren, Ivan Wilson "Butch", William Calvin "Bill", and James Allen. He leaves to cherish his memories three sons: Timothy Lee (Demetra), Anthony Wesley McLauren (Marvis), and Henry Wesley McLauren (Deaette); five grandchildren, Quintasha McLauren, Lashawnda Broaddus "Shae" (Jermaine), Anthony McLauren, Jr. (Latarzja), and Antonio McLauren, Timothy "TJ" McLauren; eight great-grandchildren, Keishonna Johnson, Jermaine Broaddus, Jai'den Broaddus, Quinshawn McLauren, Antoine McLauren, Antonio McLauren, Marlazja Allen and Demontay Richards; four sisters, Yvonne Bailey, Conjetta Briggs, Patricia Campbell, (Lawrence) and Jacqueline McLauren; devoted nephew, Orlando Bailey; close cousin, Richard Adams; and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends. He was a loving and devoted father, grandfather, uncle, cousin, neighbor, and friend.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road  
Richmond, VA 23223

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

AUG 4. 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM (ET)

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

## Celebration of Life with live streaming

AUG 5. 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Henry Wesley McLauren, III, Please Click the Link below.*



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**March Funeral Homes** - August 03, 2022 at 09:47 AM



“ *Henry Wesley McLauren, III*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Henry was my next door neighbor during my middle school years and every day after work in the summer he played football and baseball with his son's Tim, Tony and Henry (Moose). He ALWAYS knocked on the door and included me to participate across the street in the field by Mosby Middle. He believed in me long before I believed in myself and for that I'm forever grateful. Rest Easy my Dude* ❤️ 100 🏈 ⚾️

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**JAMES W LURRY** - September 22, 2022 at 11:20 AM

DO

“ With loving memories, thank you Uncle Henry! 🙏❤️

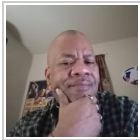


Dontá - August 05, 2022 at 11:26 PM

CJ

“ Uncle Henry the times we spent in each other company in the last 5years I'm remember them of you love sip❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️

Claretha johnson - August 04, 2022 at 07:03 PM



“ I will truly miss my Dad,I thank God for the times we sent together even though my heart is heavy, I find peace knowing he is resting in God's arms. Dad you will forever be in my heart.

Tony McLauren - August 02, 2022 at 12:16 PM

KT

Sending condolences to you and your family, may the memories of your Dad be with you always- K. Thomas & Family

k thomas - August 04, 2022 at 08:47 AM

PB

“ My condolences and prayers go out to all the family of HENRY McLauren may you find peace in knowing that he's with his Maker ., rest in peace  
Uncle Henry! Love, PAMELA HARRIS-BAILEY

Pamela Harris- Baily - August 02, 2022 at 09:47 AM

TB

“ *My heartfelt condolences. I pray that you are surrounded by God’s comforting love. Through God’s love, I pray that He grant you the comfort that He alone can give. My heart is with you.*

*Tracy Blackwell and Family*

Tracy Blackwell - August 01, 2022 at 07:30 AM



“ *Schanika McLauren purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Henry Wesley McLauren, III.*



Schanika McLauren - July 31, 2022 at 11:21 PM

QM

“ *Granddaddy nothing prepared me for this moment I’m having trouble processing but I’m grateful for every moment we shared love you always... Quin💕💕*



Quintasha McLauren - July 31, 2022 at 09:36 AM

LB

“ *Grandpa I love and miss you. I will cherish our memories forever.*



LaShawnda Broaddus - July 30, 2022 at 10:03 PM

RT

“ Hey Tony,,we are sorry to hear about the passing of your Dad,we will be praying for you and the family,Doris and Robert Terrell



Robert B Terrell - July 30, 2022 at 03:26 PM

JP

Hi,we are sorry to hear about the passing of uryour Father. Hold on to God's Unchanging Hand.....praying 🙏

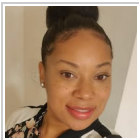
Jesse & Dearl Pollard - August 01, 2022 at 10:47 PM

JM

To the family of Henry McLauren: May God comfort you during this time of sorrow. Find peace in the memories of your loved one.

Shalom.  
Jonathan Mitchum

Jonathan Mitchum - August 04, 2022 at 02:39 PM



“ I love you Uncle Henry and I will miss you.



Schanika McLauren - July 30, 2022 at 01:57 PM

TB

“ TO THE FAMILY OF HENRY MCLAUREN I  
WILL KEEP YOU IN MY PRAYER THELMA  
BLACKWELL AN FAMILY



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**THELMA BLACKWELL** - July 30, 2022 at 09:26 AM

JH

“ To the family of uncle Henry my prayers and thoughts are with you  
during this difficult moment .may you find peace knowing he is in  
loving care

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**Jackie Harris** - July 29, 2022 at 01:27 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** - July 29, 2022 at 11:02 AM