



James Alphonso Ashe

July 27, 1941 - February 14, 2010

James Alphonso Ashe Sr. was born to the late Herbert T. Ashe Sr. and Eleanor Ashe Scarboro on July 27, 1941 in Creswell, North Carolina. He was the third born of seven children – three boys and four girls. James began his early education in the North Carolina school system. Following the death of his father, the family moved to Baltimore, Maryland in 1950 where he continued his education in the Turners Station community. Shortly after the family's relocation to Baltimore, his Aunt Mary ministered to the entire family about salvation and they joined the First Apostolic Faith Gospel Tabernacle Church under the leadership of the late Bishop George G. Levant. James was baptized in the precious name of Jesus Christ and later received the gift of the Holy Ghost. He diligently served on the Deacon Board, Finance Committee, Men's Ministry, Altar Committee, and Transportation Ministry – faithfully supporting his pastor and church. He motivated his church family to support the pastor, services and national conventions. James also had a passion for preserving history as evidenced in the pictorial walls he designed in the passage way leading to the church fellowship hall. James had a strong work ethic. At an early age he worked as a clerk at the Acme market to help his mother support the family. His part-time employment at Woodholme Country Club spanned nearly fifty years where he established lifelong friendships with both staff and clientele. However, James pursued a full-time career as a drapery installer where he worked at many establishments including Nield-Chesapeake, Bergmans, and Ruxton Cleaners. It was here he met the love of

his life, the late Viola Ashe. The two of them were united in holy matrimony on December 13, 1963 and shared twenty seven years together. Throughout his life, James enjoyed family gatherings big or small. He was known for his shocking stories and his great sense of humor, often teasing and playing with those he came in contact with – especially little children. James had a zealous quest for knowledge and spent much time researching and sharing interesting facts that others did not know. During the summer months, he would sit on the front porch sipping iced tea or eating a piece of cold watermelon while catching up with his Mortimer Avenue neighbors. On the weekends, he enjoyed watching televised golf tournaments and football games.

Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays were extra special, as the family anticipated his delicious homemade sweet potato pies. This was his specialty. In the spring of 2009, James developed a serious illness. However, he knew that this light affliction was only for a moment and worketh for him a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory. He fought a good fight and kept the faith knowing God was in control. On February 14, 2010, James departed this life and those who remain to continue and cherish his legacy are: Six Children, William, Kenneth (Sandra), Pamela (Michael Brown), Eleanor Bland, James Jr., Audra (Cleveland Parrish); Four Siblings, Louis Sr. (Carolyn), Lucy (Bishop Jacob Chambliss), Carrie (Overseer George Bell), and Lillian; Brother-in-Law, Clarence Walters Sr., Sister-in-Law, Mattie Ashe; Special Cousins, Delores Harris and Annie Bean; Close Friends, Ellsworth Vincent (Vince) and Joan Saunders; Sixteen Grandchildren, Thirteen Great Grandchildren, a host of Nephews, Nieces, Cousins, Church Family, Neighbors and Friends. In addition to his Wife and Parents, he was also preceded in death by his Step-father, Buddy Scarboro, Sister, Bertha Walters, Brother, Herbert Ashe Jr., Son-in-Law, Reggie Bland, and Daughter-in-Law, Lisa Ashe.

Tribute Wall



“ *James Alphonso Ashe*

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“ *Greetings and blessings to the family! It's good to know Jesus in times like these. May your memories and the knowledge of God's promises sustain you and give you peace. Love and Prayers##imported-begin##James and Janice Fairley##imported-end##*

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“ *So sorry to have heard of your loss. May God bless and keep you in his care. I will continue to keep you in my prayers.##imported-begin##Vera Aikens Wood##imported-end##*

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“ *Dear Sister Pam and family, Just a note to say that we are keeping you and your family in our prayers at this time. We thank God for the Victory that we have in Christ Jesus and know that to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord.##imported-begin##Kathy Williams White##imported-end##*

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“ To Audra and Eleanor, Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Matt 5:4 I'm praying for your family during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Loretta Carr and family##imported-end##

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“ Death is something that we will never get use to because God's Word 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 day that will be!##imported-begin##Kevin Jackson##imported-end##

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“ I would like to extend my deepest sympathy to the family and friends of James Alphonso Ashe, Sr. Losing a loved one in death is a painful time. This is a pain that Jehovah God promises will one day no longer exist (Revelation 21:3,4). May you take comfort in knowing that our loving Heavenly Father promises us that soon all those in the memorial tombs will come out to life on a paradise earth by means of a resurrection (John 5:28,29 and Psalms 37:29). 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 comforts us in all our tribulation" (2 Corinthians 1:3,4).##imported-begin##S. Brown##imported-end##

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