



James Edward Colson

March 27, 1929 - November 6, 2014

JAMES EDWARD COLSON, son of the late Rev. Lonnie Colson, Sr. and the late Bessie Colson (nee Thurgill), was born in Ansonville, North Carolina on March 22, 1929.

He received Christ at an early age in Ansonville, North Carolina.

Colson as everyone called him loved his family more than anything else.

Colson married Artraelle P. Foster, better known as "Trish" on August 8, 1954 and from this union they were blessed with four children, Demetress Johnson, Victor, Janeca and Eric Colson. He took great pride in being a "family man".

On September 26, 1950 he enlisted in the Army during the Korean War and served 29 months in the 37th Transportation Highway Transport Division in Manheim, Germany.

In 1955, Colson began a career with the United States Post Office and retired on December 31, 1985 with 30 years of service. Colson enrolled in Cortez Peters Business School for 2 years graduating in June 1957. He also enrolled at Apex Beauty and Barber School to complete barber training. He received his diploma in April 1959. He began working part time at Rulett Barber Shop located at 2501 Garrison Boulevard in Baltimore, Maryland. After 3 years he bought the business and changed the name to "Colson's Barber Shop". That was a community icon and is still there today. Not only did he purchase the barber shop, he purchased the building also.

Colson went home to be with the LORD on Thursday, November 6, 2014. He is survived by his loving wife of sixty years, Artraelle, two daughters,

Demetress Johnson and Janeca Anderson, two sons, Victor and Eric, one granddaughter, Alicia Colson, three grandsons, Eric and Kevin Johnson, and Jarryd Colson, two great grand granddaughters, Kayla and Aysia Johnson, two great grandsons, Tyshon and Amira Johnson and a host of other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Arbutus Memorial Park Cemetery

1101 Sulphur Spring Road
Baltimore, MD 21227

Previous Events

Public Viewing

NOV 10. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
(410) 542-2400
info@marchfh.com

Wake

NOV 11. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

The Masonic Temple
1307 Eutaw Place
Baltimore, MD

Service

NOV 11. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *James Edward Colson*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Joyce Brown Weddington lit a candle in memory of James Edward Colson*



Joyce Brown Weddington - June 12, 2018 at 03:59 PM



*Dear Victor,
I just learned that your father passed away. Please accept my condolences.
Your old friend
Joyce Brown*

Joyce Brown Weddington - June 12, 2018 at 04:01 PM



“ *Stephen and Deborah Griffin Tampa, Florida purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of James Edward Colson.*



Stephen and Deborah Griffin Tampa, Florida - November 10, 2014 at 02:06 PM

R.

“ To : The Colson Family.
I am sorry for your lost may your love for James and the loving memories he shared with you.May they bring comfort and strength to endure the days ahead.

R.Gaines - November 08, 2014 at 03:41 PM

DA

“ *I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your loved one . May the fond memories shared with him and the resurrection hope Jesus spoke of in the Bible at John 5 : 28,29 be a source of comfort to each of you doing this time of grief and pain .*

Delores Allen - November 08, 2014 at 06:24 AM



“ *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.*

March Funeral Homes - November 07, 2014 at 03:45 PM

DB

TO THE COLSON'S FAMILY

My deepest sympathy in the passing of Mr Colson, my prayers are with your family.

Dottice Boardley

dottice boardley - November 09, 2014 at 04:11 PM

AK

I am thankful that God sent me to see you just this past summer. That conversation will stay with me for a very long time. Today My most fond memories are watching this handsome, vibrant man as he helped so many in his community and at the Prince Hall Lodge. I was blessed when you chose to be my Godfather and I will miss you so very much. Take your rest. We will meet again.

Artraelle Kelly

Artraelle Kelly - November 10, 2014 at 07:10 AM

BB

I am so sorry to hear about the lost to your family, but we all know that God don't make any mistakes, and he knows what best even when we don't know what best. He will truly be missed here but in our heart he is always with us. He is now with his best buddy Charles Brown having those long conversation like they did here on earth. I thank God that we had Mr. Colson in our lives a True Friend

Beverly Brown - November 10, 2014 at 01:16 PM