



## John Henry Franklin

January 3, 1937 - August 2, 2017

JOHN HENRY FRANKLIN, affectionately known as "Johnny Boy" by family and "Frank" by friends, peacefully departed this life on August 2, 2017 at Union Memorial Hospital.

He was the only child born to the late Lula Mae and Floyd Franklin on January 3, 1937 in Baltimore, Maryland. Lulu Mae later married Silas Hall, and from this union came three siblings, the late Jessie Mae, late Silas Jr., and Paul. At the age of thirteen John moved from Turner Station to Baltimore and resided with his devoted grandmother, Luemealure Williamson.

At an early age, John learned to love the power of God and his purpose through his humble and spiritual upbringing. In his younger years, he first joined Corner Stone Baptist Church and later became a faithful member of New Shiloh Baptist Church. During his stewardship at New Shiloh Baptist Church, John served as a volunteered Usher until his health declined.

John received his education at Turner Elementary School in Turner Station, Booker T. Washington Junior High, and Douglass High School.

As a dedicated employee, John worked for thirty-seven years at the Bethlehem Steel Company of Sparrows Point, Maryland and never missed a day from work.

John was united in Holy Matrimony with the late Mildred E. Franklin. From this union, Monica E. Clansy and the late Brian K. Franklin were born.

John leaves wonderful memories with his wife, Gwendolyn D. Franklin, whom he married on November 6, 1965. From this fifty-two year union of love and devotion, Johnathan K. Franklin was born.

John was a gentle, humble man with a quiet spirit and a beautiful smile. He loved spending time with his family, reading, and watching sports.

John is survived by: his devoted and loving wife, Gwendolyn Franklin; two children, Monica Clansy (Rufus) and Jonathan Franklin; one sibling, Paul Hall; one daughter-in-law, Shanna Johnson; six grandchildren; Avery Brazzle (Tobias); Jasmine Johnson (William), Bianca Clansy, Trenae Johnson, Jonathan Johnson and Jordon Franklin; one great-grandchild, Gavin Midgette; aunts, Thelma Burns, Mary Davis, Katherine Wyatt, Ruth Ward and Haggar Armstrong; devoted cousin, Joyce Foster; and a host of other relatives and friends.

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

AUG 8. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Family Hour

AUG 8. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore  
4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
(410) 542-2400  
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## Wake

AUG 9. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

New Shiloh Baptist Church  
2100 N. Monroe Street  
baltimore, MD 21216

## Service

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AUG 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

New Shiloh Baptist Church  
2100 N. Monroe Street  
baltimore, MD 21216

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Henry Franklin*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Deborah & Ashley, Send our deepest sympathy to the family. Our thoughts and prayers goes out to you..*



**Deborah Price** - August 09, 2017 at 09:31 AM



“ *Stevenson Family lit a candle in memory of John Henry Franklin*



**Stevenson Family** - August 07, 2017 at 11:34 AM



“ *To the family of John Henry Franklin. My family sends their deepest sympathy to you. Our thoughts and prayers goes out to you. Isaiah 25 8.*

**Nancy Young** - August 07, 2017 at 10:01 AM

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“ *Deaconess Waller lit a candle in memory of John Henry Franklin*



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**Deaconess Waller** - August 07, 2017 at 08:49 AM

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“ *Hilda Phillips lit a candle in memory of John Henry Franklin*



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**Hilda Phillips** - August 06, 2017 at 04:14 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** - August 06, 2017 at 10:52 AM