



Joseph A. Devance

September 3, 1955 - May 5, 2005

On May 5, 2005, Joseph Anthony DeVance, beloved son of the late Joseph and Daisy DeVance, went home to be with our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ. Joseph Anthony DeVance was born on September 3, 1955, in Baltimore Maryland. Joseph, the youngest of seven children, was educated in the Baltimore City Public Schools. He attended and graduated with honors from Northern High School. He also graduated with honors from Morgan State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree. After working several years as a laboratory technician in the Agricultural Pesticides Division, of the FMC Corporation, Joseph enrolled in the College of Dentistry at Howard University. Later Joseph attended Johns Hopkins University where he received his Master of Science Degree in Environmental Science. At the time of his passing, Joseph was a doctoral candidate in Public Health, at Morgan State University. Junior, as he is affectionately called by family members, founded and was the president of the Joseph DeVance Chapter of IMHOTEP, and Honor Society of graduate students of public health. The chapter was named in honor of his father, who consistently preached the value of an education. Joseph was also very active in the community, especially with the NAACP. He served as Medical Chairman for the Baltimore Chapter for a number of years. Joseph was last employed as a Public Health Laboratory Scientist IV, with the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, for the past 13 years. Above all, Junior loved the Lord. He accepted Christ at an early age, and attended Mount Pleasant Baptist Church. In 1993, he joined

the Ark Church, under the leadership of Pastor J. L. Carter. Joseph was highly committed to service in the church until his recent illness. He was active in the Evangelization Ministry and enjoyed feeding and clothing the disadvantaged. He was also a devoted member of Men's Ministry, and served briefly on the Men's Choir. Junior loved meeting and being with people, and gave freely of his freely of his time and resources never seeking anything in return. Joseph leaves to cherish his loving memory: two sisters, Zenith McCoy and Pauline DeVance; four brothers and sisters-in-law; Pastors Curtis and Celestyne DeVance of Urbandale, Iowa; James and Laretta DeVance, William and Doretha DeVance and Jeff and Gaile DeVance; one aunt, Vicie Norris of Chattanooga, Tennessee; one uncle, Lewis Martin of Camphill, Alabama; a best friend, Yvonne Tal-Sen-Choy; friends, Ernestine Carrington DeVance and Lacy and Barbara Brock; and a host of nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews and family and friends.

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“ Remembering my cherished and beloved friend.
Lawana Fuquay Carter, DDS.

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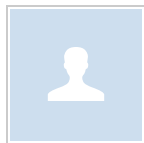
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“ *My deepest sympathy during your time of sorrow but knows that the God of comfort is with you all during this time of tribulation. (2Corinthian 1:3-4) Due to the many unforeseen occurrences that brings tragedy to our lives Jehovah God promises one day soon Death will be no more (Rev 21:3-4) and his son have been given the authority to bring all those in the memorial tombs back to life. John 5:28-29 What a wonderful prospect for our future.##imported-begin##Carter##imported-end##*

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“ Please accept my prayers for the recent death of your loved one. Although death of a loved one hurts us more than anything in this life, we can be assured that our loving heavenly father feels our pain, and he has purposed to bring an end to sorrow and death through the precious blood of his son Jesus Christ. Notice what John 5:25 says, The hour is coming, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God and those who have taken heed will live. So we can be with our loved ones again in the promised resurrection that is coming about very soon. May Jehovah comfort your family at this time.##imported-begin##R Johnaon##imported-end##

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“ Please accept my condolences for the loss of your dear one. Acts 24:15 assures us "there is going to be a resurrection." May we be here to witness this thrilling promise. Just as Jesus brought the dead back to life on earth in the past, he will do it again.(John 11:43,44; Matthew 5:5 and Luke 23:43) May you be comforted by these divinely inspired promises.##imported-begin##Sharon Hill##imported-end##

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“ Dear Family, I am very sorry to hear about your loss but please be assured that Almighty God looks down and sees your plight. He promises you that in the very near future he is going to swallow up death forever and raise the dead to life again and we will all live in a paradise earth free from all the problems of this old dying system. Please read Isaiah 25:8,9;John 5:28,29 and Revelation 21:3,4 to find these promises of our God and Father.##imported-begin##Sophia Briscoe##imported-end##

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“ We are praying for you in your time of bereavement. Take comfort in knowing that to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. No more pain and suffering--just total joy and peace.##imported-begin##Nolan & Rosemary Robinson##imported-end##

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“ May it comfort you to know that others care about you and yours during your hour of bereavement.##imported-begin##William Lewis Poole III##imported-end##

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