



Joseph L. Gaskins

December 26, 1929 - November 12, 2019

Joseph Lee Gaskins, son of the late James and Lola Gaskins was born on December 26, 1929, in Anne Arundel County, Maryland. He peacefully departed this life on November 12, 2019 at Union Memorial Hospital in Baltimore Maryland after a lengthy illness.

Joseph was affectionally known as pop-pop, granddaddy, the Grinch, Daddy, Mr. Joe, Smokin Joe Frazier, and Bae. He was the patriarch of our family. He received his education in Anne Arundel County, and soon after entered the Military Branch of the United States Army. During his time in the military he received many accolades and retired with an honorable discharge.

Joseph was employed by Olin Chemical where he had the pleasure of working alongside his eldest son Durant. He then began working for Diamond Shamrock as a chemical mixer and ultimately retired from B-Green Food Chain as a forklift driver where he also had the pleasure of working with his youngest son Camillus. Joseph gave 20-years of service to each one of his employers with a lifelong career of 60-years.

Joseph accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior at an early age and began his faith walk at Andover Methodist Church in Anne Arundel, County Maryland. Later, in life Joseph found a new church home at Calvary Baptist Church in Baltimore, Maryland where he became a Deacon. Joseph was also a Prince Hall Mason.

Joseph met and married the late Vernell Gaskins and out of that union they had four children. One child, Valerie Gaskins who preceded him in death, and

three living children Durant Gaskins, Shelwyn Gaskins, and Camillus Gaskins. Along the way he met and married Josetta H. Hawkins also known as "Josie" they married on October 3, 1991.

Joe and Josie were two peas in a pod. They were like "Wheezy and George Jefferson" always trash talking and threatening to knock each other out! They had a lot of fun together and were truly best friends. During this difficult time Josie was there and dedicated herself to caring for him day and night. Josie loved herself some Joe.

Joseph leaves to cherish his memory: His loving wife Josetta Gaskins, Three children Durant Gaskins & (Renea Gaskins-daughter in law), Shelwyn Gaskins (Marvin Brookss-son in law) & (John Legge Jr.-son in law), Camillus Gaskins & (Tijuana Clayton-daughter in law), and his eldest child who preceded him in death Valerie Gaskins.

He also leaves to cherish his memory one stepdaughter Larhonda, one stepson Derrick. Joseph had five siblings with one surviving sister Myrtle Bates. Three brother's in-laws Bernard, Vernon and Dwayne. One sister in-law Grace. Thirteen grandkids, Sherron, Shermaine, Tiara, Camilla, Marquis, Taila, Tiala, Angie, Shalonda, Sharnea, Arnetta, Wayne and one grandson who he proceeded in death Durrell. Four step grandkid, Mackenzie, Mason, Jaylen, Phillip and Deonte. Joe also had many great grandkids who loved their granddaddy. And a good friend Ray.

Cemetery Details

Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road
Owings Mills, MD

Previous Events

viewing

NOV **19**. 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 **20**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Calvary Baptist Church
3911 Garrison Blvd.
Baltimore, MD

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph L. Gaskins*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 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 15, 2019 at 08:38 AM