



Marcus Luke Whitaker

April 18, 1941 - December 31, 2016

MARCUS L. WHITAKER son of Inez and Abel Whitaker was born on April 18, 1941 in Baltimore, Maryland. He passed away peacefully in his sleep in December 31, 2016 surrounded by family after a long battle with dementia.

Marcus was educated in Baltimore City Public School System and graduated from Douglass High School in 1959.

He was raised in the church at Sharon Baptist Church in Baltimore.

He joined the US Marine Corp in 1959 and served until 1963 where he received an honorable discharged.

In 1965 he united in marriage with Betty Jean Hoggs his "Boo". together they had two daughters, Erika Nicole and Brandee Lynn. Later he joined Salem Thessalonian Baptist Church where he held the positions of trustee, Youth Sunday school teacher, and seasonal biblical live play producer for several years.

Marcus was employed at Social Security Administration as a Computer Programmer for 30 plus years where he retired in 2004.

During his life he enjoyed his sports cars, modeling, and dressing display

windows for Hyatt's men wear. Not to mention the many sport activities he taught to his girls. When it came to sports, it did not matter to him that he did not have sons; girls could do what boys could do. He was an avid skier who graced the steep slopes of mountains from Killington Vermont to Jackson Hole Wyoming. They enjoyed long distance cycling, white water rafting, kayaking, racquetball, and outdoor camping in his later years. Marcus had a love for the beauty of his lawn that he edged weekly to maintain the look of plush carpet, as he often stood back to approve it before going inside for the evening.

He leaves to cherish the life he lived: a beloved wife, Betty J. Whitaker; two daughters, Erika Strickland and Brandee White; one son-in-law, Terrence White; two brothers, three sisters-in-law, Bernard Whitaker (Carolyn), Ryland Whitaker (Deborah), Dorothy Samuels; three grandchildren, Shantell, Alonzo, and Alayah; three great grandchildren, Amari, Lennox, and Logan; and a host of nephews, nieces, and other family members. The family pays tribute to a special caregiver, Ms. Jannette Byles, known to him as "The Good Lady"; a special daughter, Terri Richards, and one dedicated neighbor, Thomas Stallings.

Cemetery Details

Druid Ridge

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JAN 6. 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

JAN 6. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Wake

JAN 7. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Sharon Baptist Church
1373 N. Stricker Street
Baltimore, MD

Service

JAN 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Baltimore, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Marcus Luke Whitaker*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Although no words can really help to ease the loss you bear of your husband, father, brother, cousin, and friend, please know that you are very close in my thoughts and prayers.
Cousin Wayne and LaVerne Briggs*

Wayne and LaVerne Briggs cousin - January 06, 2017 at 06:20 PM



“ *The entire Wagner Family, Amy, Aaron, Douglas, Marcia , Mark and Hannah, Noah and Nathan, all extend our sincerest condolences and want to say how much we will miss our dear neighbor, friend .So many fond memories and shared life events will be with us forever.*

Mark Wagner - January 06, 2017 at 08:57 AM



“ *Yolanda&Jordan lit a candle in memory of
Marcus Luke Whitaker*



Yolanda&Jordan - January 05, 2017 at 09:43 PM

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“ *Barbara J. Little lit a candle in memory of Marcus Luke Whitaker*



Barbara J. Little - January 05, 2017 at 09:16 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Marcus Luke Whitaker.*



January 05, 2017 at 01:51 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marcus Luke Whitaker.*



January 05, 2017 at 01:34 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marcus Luke Whitaker.*



January 05, 2017 at 11:31 AM

DA

“ *DEMETRIUS ADAMS lit a candle in memory of Marcus Luke Whitaker*



DEMETRIUS ADAMS - January 04, 2017 at 07:54 PM

BC

“ *Our deepest sympathies go out to Betty and the girls at the loss of Marcus. Butch and I have so many fond memories of Marcus and his beautiful family. He introduced us to Skiing and we went on our very first of many ski trips to Aspen with him and the ski club. We have lost touch over the past several years since moving to FL but the memories will never be erased. He was a very special person and friend to both of us. Our hearts are heavy knowing he is no longer with us on this earth. RIP Marcus -- we hope you are skiing some moguls in heaven. Love and hugs from Butch and Chris Chappell*

Butch and Chris Chappell - January 04, 2017 at 05:09 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marcus Luke Whitaker.*



January 04, 2017 at 03:52 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.

March Funeral Homes - January 04, 2017 at 02:27 PM

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Our heartfelt condolences to The Whitaker Family. May you find peace and comfort from Jehovah God's Word The Bible where He assures us that our dear loved ones have a resurrection hope. His Son, Jesus Christ, even confirms this promise at John 11:25. Our prayers with your family.

linn family - January 18, 2017 at 04:27 PM