



Percy Matthews

December 24, 1934 - November 24, 2005

PERCY MATTHEWS JR., son of the late Percy Matthews Sr. and Mable Matthews, arrived in this world on December 24, 1934 in Baltimore, Maryland and departed this world on November 24, 2005. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Jerome Washington and Douglass Washington and three sisters, Edna Washington, Beulah Washington and Grace Grice. He received his education at St. Monica Catholic School and Carver High School. He enlisted in the United States Army in January 1952 and served in the Korean War. While in the Army, Percy continued his passion for music by playing in local bands overseas on European radio stations. He was honorably discharged in February 1955. He married the former Arlene Dingle in November 1955, and out of this union two children were born, Deborah and Gregory. He was employed by American Smelting Steel Co. He then obtained a certificate from the Maryland Department of Education in Shoe Repairing and Shoe Making and later became self-employed owning "Matthews Shoe Repair" which had two locations, one in Westside Shopping Center and the other on Washington Boulevard. Percy continued to follow his passion as a jazz drummer which he taught himself from early childhood. He continued to play in local jazz bands. Percy made numerous friends wherever he went. He enjoyed music, gardening, eating crabs and oysters, and most of all, Percy kept you laughing. He leaves to mourn: one daughter, Deborah Lance; one son, Gregory Matthews; one daughter-in-law, Yvonne Matthews; four grandchildren, David Booker Sr., Brian Lance, Marc Lance and Bria Matthews;

former wife, Evangelist Arlene Matthews; one great-grandchild, David Booker Jr.; one granddaughter-in-law, Tyneshia Booker; one brother, William Berry; one sister, Martha Norris; six sisters-in-law, Katie Berry, Shirley Wallace, Annie Mae Allen, Rob Dingle, Ella Howard and Thelma Sherrel; four brothers-in-law, Roy Dingle, Ivory Howard, Arthur Sherrel and Odell Dingle; a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Tribute Wall



“ Percy Matthews

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“ My deepest sympathy during your time of sorrow but know 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 Just think there will come a time not only will death be no more but Jehovah promises that no one will have to say I'm sick according to Isaiah 33:24. I feel the need to express these words of hope because so many of us today treasure the gift of life and we do all we can to maintain it to hold on to it. That is why it hurts so badly when our loved ones die. With so many of us desiring life today no matter how good or bad it is we still want life here on earth. No one looks forward to that time of death. That is why I am under obligation by the spirit and love of God to share that hope that is in our near future that the righteous shall inherit the earth and reside upon it forever according to Psalms 37: 29 along with the above stated promises on a paradise and peaceful earth. We all can hold true to this everlasting promise because Isaiah states all the words Jehovah have spoken WILL NOT RETURN WITHOUT RESULTS. What a wonderful prospect for our future especially enlight of the fact that Hebrews 6:18 States of God, it is IMPOSSIBLE for him to lie.##imported-begin##Carter##imported-end##

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“ *My condolences on the passing of Mr. Matthews. May this scripture provide strength & comfort. Daniel 12:2, "And there will be many of those asleep in the ground of dust who will wake up." Have faith in knowing that Mr. Matthews' sleep is only temporary.*##imported-begin##D. Spann##imported-end##

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