



## Robert A. Atkins

September 12, 1930 - January 4, 2018

Robert Angelo Atkins: fondly known to his family and friends as “Angie” was born on September 12, 1930 to the late Lucille Cargill & Bob Atkins in Birmingham Alabama. The family migrated to Brooklyn, New York in 1947 where he continued his education in the NYC school system.

In 1951, Angie enlisted in the United States marine Corps to honor and serve his country. Thereafter, he returned to Brooklyn NY in search of employment. He was gainfully employed with the NYC Department of Corrections from 1962 to December 4, 1992 when he retired.

As a young adult, Angie enjoyed basketball, baseball, and bicycling. In addition, he and a group of his friends were part of a committee at Brownsville Recreational Community Center (BRCC) in Brooklyn, Since the early 80's, they would meet annually on the last Saturday of July to celebrate “OLD TIMER'S DAY. He would say, “We are one big family, so we get together to shoot the breeze and have a good time”. Everyone knew that Angie had a gift of gab and never hesitated to debate any subject he encountered. Whether it be at home, a function, at the supermarket or in the car. That was Angie.

In 1997, Angie decided to live a relaxed retirement life and he relocated to Portsmouth, Virginia. In 1998, he fell in Love with his sweetheart, Phyllis

Edwards and for the third time he remarried .when anyone visited their home during the summer, he would show off his show gardening skills. He enjoyed keeping his lawn manicured and planting beautiful shrubbery, plants and flowers. In 2005, he lost Phyllis, the love of his life, to a long battle with cancer, Since her demise, he suffered a broken heart. However, he continued to carry on with his life. In 2010, Angie attended the 1st Baptist Church South Hill in Chesapeake, Virginia where he was baptized. There he met so many friends who helped him keep busy and his mind occupied as much as possible.

In 2016, Angie's health began to slowly deteriorate. As a result, he relocated to Baltimore, Maryland to be closer to his son Calvin who also resides in Maryland. Before moving, he let it be known that he would remain independent and would take care of his new home and affairs as he has always done in the past.

In 2017, Angie came to NY to gather with his family at Barbara Ann & Paul's (niece & nephew) house to celebrate Thanksgiving. While in NY for the holiday, he also stayed with his oldest son. Butch who took him to visit some of his children (Sean & Dione) and friends. Thereafter, he returned home for a brief stay but decided to return to NY for Christmas to stay with his son, Daryl & family. On New Year's Day, he he returned home in Maryland.

On January 5, 2018, due to heart failure, Angie departed this world to be with the lord. He will be greatly missed by many.

He is preceded in death by his parents: Lucille and Bob, wife -Phyllis, sister - Bernice, daughter - Vinita and grandson - Zavion. He leaves to cherish his memories; daughter – Lori Anderson, son & daughter – in-law Robert “Butch” & Merly Atkins, daughters – Margie & Loretta Williams, son & daughter - Sean & Dione Hall, son & daughter-in-law Robert Daryl & Taheshia Atkins, son-

Calvin Atkins, fifteen grandchildren, eleven great grandchildren, three sister-in-laws & three brother-in-laws- Vera & Craig Brownfield, Fatima & Hassan Chippo, Kathy & Fred Whitaker and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road  
Owings Mills, MD

# Previous Events

## Interment

JAN 30. 1:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore  
1101 East North Avenue  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert A. Atkins*

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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.*

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