



Roy Ross

May 22, 1930 - March 24, 2016

Roy Ross, lovingly referred to as "Pops, Pop-Pop, Unc and Boss Ross", was with us for 85 years. Roy departed this life after a lengthy illness, on Thursday, March 24, 2016.

Father was born on May 22, 1930 in Darlington, South Carolina to Liza Woods and Forrest Lighty. He was preceded in death by his parents; his siblings, Willie, Frank, Lee, Grady, Maggie and Lillian Ross; Corrine Prince, Annie Moe Slater, Mitty Lyde, and Charolette Lighty-Jacobs; three of his sons, Ernest, Joseph and Tarry Ross; his grandson, Joseph Jr.

Father attended public schools in Darlington, South Carolina. In 1949, he married Clara Bosman, the mother of his children. He relocated with his family to Baltimore City to pursue an employment opportunity. That opportunity included helping to construct The Baltimore Harbor Tunnel. He continued in construction and

joined local

Union 149. Father was instrumental in several major construction jobs in Baltimore, Maryland.

- Sparrows Point Shipyard
- Cumberland Hart Construction
- Consolidated Engineering
- Whiting Turner
- Prince Construction
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Helped to build Friendship Airport, which is currently called Thurgood Marshall BWI Airport

•He was instrumental in the construction of major structures and skyscrapers in Baltimore.

* He also helped to build Johns Hopkins

Roy was a loving father, grandfather, uncle and friend. Father loved spending time

with his family, including his children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He enjoyed

going to the park to play baseball, have cookouts and play cards.

Father was a gentle, loving, kind-hearted man who was willing to help anyone that he could. He loved to dress as if he were on the cover of a magazine, whether

in a suit or wearing khakis, and let's not forget those hats! He gave his time in the

community by opening and setting up for AA meetings at Mustard Seed Community

Center. He faithfully gave donations and his time to various charities, such as

The Fellowship of Christians and Jews, The Helping Up Mission and various churches.

Father would arise faithfully every Sunday, dressed like "Mr GQ", and attend worship services, as he had a very real relationship with God. The highlight of his week was going to his daughter Lisa's house for dinner after worship. He especially loved to see other family members show up so that he could challenge them to a game of spades. Everyone knows he was famous for somehow ALWAYS having the big joker.

Summers found Father happiest as he would go to Eastern Regional Park with his family to play ball, cards and enjoy good food. He really looked forward to the sweetest tasting watermelon that his son Leroy was able to get for him.

Father was VERY INDEPENDENT and LOVED IT!! Even if for only a few days, Roy loved returning to his roots visiting family in South Carolina or packing a bag to visit other states or countries. Once, he even traveled all the way to Hawaii for a visit consisting of 3 days

Father retired, the FIRST time in 1999, at the age of 69. He went back to work

for 1 year then retired the SECOND time in 2000 at the age of 70.

Roy leaves to mourn and to cherish his memory: his former wife, Clara Ross;

his

children, Lisa (Terrance) Hall of Baltimore, Leroy Ross (Arnetta) of Baltimore,

Eddie

Lee (Alice) Davis of Darlington, South Carolina, Loretta Williams of Baltimore,

Willie

Bosman of Baltimore, and David Ross of Baltimore; twenty-one grandchildren,

fiftythree

great-grandchildren, eleven great-great-great grandchildren; and a multitude

of

nieces, nephews and a whole host of friends.

Cemetery Details

King Memorial Park Cemetery - Grand Heritage Chapel & Mausoleum

8710 Dogwood Rd.
Baltimore, MD 21244
(410) 944-8300
info@kingmemorialpark.com
<https://www.KingMemorialPark.com>

Previous Events

Public Viewing

APR 1. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore
1101 East North Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21202
(410) 727-3300
info@marchfh.com

Family Hour

APR 1. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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(410) 727-3300
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Wake

APR 2. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Mt Lebanon Baptist Church
2812 Reisterstown Rd
Baltimore, MD 21215

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Roy Ross

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ Lisa Hall lit a candle in memory of Roy Ross



Lisa Hall - April 15, 2016 at 01:55 PM



*As I celebrate the Life of my Father, my Dad, my Best Friend, and Traveling Buddy as well as Shopping Buddy, I light this candle in the memory of the life we shared as you nurture and cared for me from a baby to the woman that I am today because of you. I miss you Father, but I know God knows best.
In Loving Memories*

Lisa Hall - April 15, 2016 at 01:58 PM



“ To the family of Roy Ross
*On behalf of the Mary Brunson family, we extend our deepest sympathy on the passing of uncle, great uncle Roy. May you find peace in knowing that his journey here on earth has prepared him for joy he will find in the afterlife. Our prayers are for all of you to celebrate uncle Roy's homegoing with Love, Peace, and faith that all is well with him. Give glory to God today and always.
With heartfelt sympathy,
Loretta Jamal*

Loretta - April 01, 2016 at 10:21 PM

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“ WE OR PRAY FOR YOU ALL. GOD IS WITH YOU ALL. HE WILL SEE YOU THROUGH.

FROM YOUR COUISN ROBERT LEE ROSS IN ATLANTA GA.

ROBERT LEE ROSS - March 28, 2016 at 06:51 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 - March 26, 2016 at 12:31 PM