



Samuel Lee Chapman

September 11, 1932 - July 15, 2008

Samuel Lee Chapman, He was born on September 11, 1932 in Greenville, NC to the late Ed Tony and Callie May Chapman. Although he was an only child, he was never lonely because he was born with a gift of love and friendship for everyone he met. He shared this extraordinary God-given gift throughout his entire life. After years of struggle with cancer, our Lord and Savior called him home on July 15, 2008. He attended his beloved Bethune-Cookman College in Miami, Florida where he majored in Business Administration. Afterwards, he achieved the rank of Chief Warrant Officer in the U.S. Army. He served in the Korean War and the Vietnam War receiving many awards and honors. After 21 years of loyal, outstanding military service, Sam went on to become a manager in the Federal government at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center and the National Institutes of Health from which he took his second retirement in 1994. Not content with retirement, Sam decided to work as a customer service agent at the MVA (Motor Vehicle Administration) where he brightened everyone's day with his warmth and humor. Throughout his decades of military, Federal and state service, Sam ceaselessly devoted countless hours chaperoning his children's events and volunteering for numerous community and church activities. He married his childhood sweetheart, Ann L. Jones on July 16, 1955. From this union they were blessed with four wonderful children: Joy Chapman Walk (Tom) of LaPlata, MD; Michael K. Chapman (Lora) of Gaithersburg, MD; Sandra M Chapman-Drew (Colin) of Washington, DC; and Ronda Chapman-Duer (Eric) of Portland, OR. There are seven

grandchildren (Keith, Ronald, Ryan, Brandon, Kenny, Kyle, and Danielle), and eleven great-grandchildren; two sisters-in-law (Mary V. Lones of Greenville, NC and Lillie Taylor of Washington DC) ; one uncle, Zebedee Smith (Charlotte) of Washington, DC, and a host of relatives and friends. He was always adopting others into the family to include "Godsons" Roberto Hinds, and John Wayne Hayes; and "Brothers" Herbert Tyson, Alan Hankinson and Wesley Williams. His special prayer partner, Jr. Deacon Christopher McKoy was very special to him. He enjoyed serving the Lord and Worshiping in his beloved Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, where he served as a Deacon for more than 30 years. He sang in several choirs including the Chancel Choir, the H.G. Brooks Chorus, the Male Chorus and the Mass Choir. He was a strong advocate for the Church's Men's Fellowship and enjoyed recruiting men to "get on board". When he was too sick to come to church, he continued his service with telephone calls to the sick and shut-in, counseling and praying with many who came to his "fellowship room". His door was always open for company. Even in sickness, he never complained and continued to encourage others. For Samuel Lee Chapman, it was a wonderful world. Favorite Scriptures: Psalms 1, Psalms 239, Is 41:10, and Hew 12 Two of his favorite songs: "He looked beyond my faults" "What a Wonderful World"

Tribute Wall



“ *Samuel Lee Chapman*

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“ *We were sorry to hear about Mr Chapman's passing, however we know that he is at rest with Our Father! Our thoughts and prayers go out to all the family! Much love!##imported-begin##Wanda Pompey & Joshua##imported-end##*

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“ *We were very sorry to hear about the passing of Sam. He was a fine man and will be dearly missed. He is with GOD now and may he rest in peace. Love, Rick & Esther Wooten##imported-begin##Rick/Esther Wooten##imported-end##*

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“ *Dear Ann and family, We lost a very good friend when Sam passed and would just like you to know that you are in our prayers and thoughts. I was one of the recruits that Sam persuaded to go to the retreat and I never will forget it. He really was a man's man!! Michael is really a young Sam with all his attributes and personality and I am sure that He will be a comfort to you during the coming years. Sincerely, Fred and Gracie##imported-begin##Fred and Gracie Royall##imported-end##*

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“ Mrs. Chapman and family we are sending our condolences as we just found out today, Sunday 7/21/08. Gene met Mr. Chapman at a retreat with Jerusalem-Mt. Pleasant some time back and they bounded as Mighty Men of Valor. We will all be glad to see him again on that day when Jesus puts us all back together. May God continue to comfort you at this time.##imported-begin##Eugene & Jane Battle##imported-end##

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“ Our family (Verna, LaEunice,LaVern - wife and children of the late Herman Chapman) extends our love and condolences to the family. We know that he is in God's hand and that is the peace and joy and God gives to comfort You. Love,##imported-begin##LaVern Chapman##imported-end##

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“ Please accept my condolences for the loss of Mr.Chapman. One of my favorite scriptures is Job 14:7,15-"For there exists hope for even a tree. If it gets cut down, it will even sprout again, And its own twig will not cease to be."You will call, and I myself shall answer you.For the work of your hands you will have a yearning." May you receive much comfort and solace every time you think about this wonderful promise of a resurrection found in the Bible.##imported-begin##Mrs. Hill##imported-end##

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“ Dear Chapman family, my thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Please know that I am praying for you and with you. Mr. Chapman was a precious jewel and I feel honored to have met him. I thank God for the brief time that I had the priviledge of knowing him. Barbara Wright (formally of Dr. Kalil's office###imported-begin###Barbara Wright###imported-end###

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“ To the family of Mr. Chapman, I offer my sincere sympathy. I know the sadness associated with the loss of one you love and I know the comfort offered by God in his word the Bible. Please read John 5:28,29 and Acts 24:15 which talks about the hope of a resurrection for the righteous and the unrighteous. After reading these two scriptures please turn your attention to John 3:16 and Matthew 20:28. These two scriptures tell us why we can put faith in the promise of a resurrection. May these provide you with comfort and hope as they have for me.###imported-begin###Gwen Winston###imported-end###

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“ Dear famil, I offer my deep condolences for the loss of Mr Chapman. Isaiah 25:8 lovingly tells us that one day Jehovah God will swallow up death forever, and he will certainly wipe the tears from all faces. As for our dead loved ones, they are asleep in the memorial tombs, and one day they will hear Jesus's voice and they will come to life once again. John 5:28,29 May knowing that the ressurection is God's promise to us, help to comfort and sustain you, and keep you looking forward to his wonderful day of salvation.###imported-begin###R Johnson###imported-end###

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