



## Wallace T. Dandridge

September 12, 1948 - November 12, 2018

Wallace Thurston Dandridge was born on September 12, 1948 to the late Eva Mae Dandridge and Herbert Lewis Parrish Sr. (raised by the late Samuel L. Berryman and Eva), and went home to be with God on November 12, 2018. He accepted Christ at a young age and was a member of New Psalmist Baptist Church when he transitioned from this world.

Affectionately known as Byrd, Wallace graduated from Edmondson High School in 1967. He served in the United States Army and was Honorably discharged June 1, 1974 after receiving a National Defense Service Medal and obtaining an expert badge (M-14 Rifle). On July 10, 1976 he entered into holy matrimony with Kathleen. Byrd enjoyed spending his downtime with his family and on the golf course whenever he had the chance.

He leaves to cherish his memory his loving and devoted wife Kathleen Dandridge. His children J. Michael Roles Jr., Wendel Thurston (Ivanna), Amanda Sarai, and Rose-eva Joy. Granddaughters Aissata Rayne, Malia Alease, and Charlotte Denise. Siblings Carolyn Harmon (Frank), Michael Parrish, Marlon Parrish (Denise), Herbert Parrish Jr. (Barbara), Kim Parrish, Marcus Parrish (Carolyn), Maurice Berryman, and Kevin Berryman, along with niece and nephews, sisters and brother in laws, and a host of relatives and

friends. He was preceded in death by his siblings Debbie Parrish, Maurice Parrish, and Howard Berryman.

# Cemetery Details

## Private( Garrison Forest)

11501 Garrison Forest Rd.  
Owings Mills, MD

# Previous Events

## viewing

NOV **16**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore  
1101 East North Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21202  
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## Family Hour

NOV **16**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Wake

NOV 17. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Wallace T. Dandridge*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM

AF

“As a child growing up, Wallace was more like a younger brother than a nephew. As I reflect over the years I can remember him always being quiet and reserved. But, in those days a child was supposed to “be seen & not heard”, especially in the presence of “grown-ups” Consequentially, a child, was taught to be respectful to all, especially his elders. In later years he maintained these traits. In all these years, not once can I remember him showing any anger or displeasure toward anyone, young or old.

After he married and started his own family, his love for others really began to show. In watching his interactions with his children & grand-children, this love was very much evident. The smiles on his face while interacting with them left no doubt of this love. It was also during this period that he began to reveal his spirituality. I suspect his loving wife Kathleen just may have had something to do with that. Some credit must also be given to his late mom, whom it was often said he took after.

Wallace was very much known for his appetite for food. He could stand his ground with the best of them. In other words, “the boy could eat”. On more than one occasion, family members were heard commenting that they would rather cloth him than feed him. In addition, he was never ashamed to rescue things that individuals no longer had a use. In fact, it was only recently that he commented how he was always salvaging items that individuals left in their rental cars upon their return. I am also told that he has buckets of golf balls that he picked up on the golf course. I have never looked in his garage, but I am certain that if I did I would find other rescued or previously enjoyed items. Everything but a vehicle.

Even though Wallace experienced health issues for the last 25+ years, not once do I ever remember hearing him complain. In fact, in most cases, he had already faced the challenge before revealing his circumstances. When asked why he didn’t let anyone know, he would display that disarming smile & simple say “I didn’t want to worry anyone.” He has now joined all the other departed family members & friends.

In closing, when I first read the text message from him sent on Monday morning prior to the procedure he was undergoing notifying

*his brothers and me that he had been in the hospital since Saturday, my initial thought was this is very unusual for "Bird". I now realize that he was actually saying goodbye to us. Now that he has departed, we can only take comfort in knowing that he is in a better place & if we pattern our lives after him, we will see him again.*  
*Aunts & Uncles of the Dandridge & Smith Families*

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**Aunts and Uncles of Dandridge Family** - November 18, 2018 at 07:33 AM

MS

“ *Marriott Staff lit a candle in memory of Wallace T. Dandridge*



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**marriott staff** - November 16, 2018 at 06:26 PM

DM

“ *Dortha McClurkin lit a candle in memory of Wallace T. Dandridge*



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**Dortha McClurkin** - November 16, 2018 at 06:21 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wallace T. Dandridge.*



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November 16, 2018 at 03:05 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wallace T. Dandridge.*



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November 16, 2018 at 09:09 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wallace T. Dandridge.*



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November 15, 2018 at 09:30 PM



“ *I would like to send my prayers to the Dandridge family. I am terribly sorry for this great loss. Mr. Wallace was the best Platinum Driver and loved what he did. I had the honor of meeting Mr Wallace in May of 2018 and I worked as his manager until Oct of 2018. Mr Wallace was very dedicated his two days of work. I understood his restrictions. He would say I can work Tuesday and I would said you aren't getting me in trouble. He would just laugh. If everyone could have worked like him, the job would have been easier. Mr Wallace always had a smile on his face and never complained about anything. Mr. Wallace you will be missed greatly. My heart is so heavy right now.*

*Kenya Rock*

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**Kenya Rock** - November 15, 2018 at 05:32 PM

RD

“ 6 files added to the album Memories Album



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**Rose-eva Dandridge** - November 15, 2018 at 06:29 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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**March Funeral Homes** - November 14, 2018 at 03:42 PM