



Wallace Johnson

June 7, 1925 - July 31, 2006

Wallace Robert Johnson, Sr. was born on June 7, 1925 in Baltimore, to Joseph Johnson and Elizabeth Colbert Johnson. He passed from this life to a new life with Christ on July 31, 2006. He was educated in the Baltimore City Public School System. He graduated from Frederick Douglass High School. Upon graduation, he served his country through his military service with the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. After the war, he took advantage of the G.I. Bill to become the first of his family to earn a college degree, graduating from Morgan State College and sometime later completing his Master's degree at Fisk University. As a child, he demonstrated a strong interest in science and figuring out how things worked. He often talked about how he and his friends used to make all of their own toys. "Go carts" were a particular point of pride and accomplishment. The skills he developed served him well as he matured and became the source of his career as an adult. He pursued a degree in science and became a teacher of science and mathematics, head of the science department at Baltimore City College, an administrator with the Baltimore City Public School System, but ultimately, he returned to his first love, the molding of young men and women in the classroom. He retired from his career as a classroom teacher after 35 years. He touched the lives of many people at the grass roots level by sharing his time and wisdom. He married Norma Swope in 1947. They were blessed with two children from this union, Noreen Elizabeth and Wallace Robert, Jr. He was a devoted family man, and his children treasure precious memories of time

shared with Dad on long road trips, home improvement projects and explorations of the world around us. Boating captured his heart with his first small boat. He quickly traded up to larger and larger vessels and earned a license from the Coast Guard qualifying him to pilot boats for hire. He spent many happy hours sailing the Chesapeake Bay and the Atlantic coastal waters. A train enthusiast, he built an elaborate train layout and studied “real” trains, becoming familiar with many models and their routes throughout the world. Old movies were a constant source of entertainment, especially the old Westerns (“I will fight no more forever.”). He accumulated an extensive, meticulously indexed, collection of video tapes and DVDs that he loved to share. Friends and family often received copies of his favorites as gifts. He enjoyed jazz music. Not only did he collect hundreds of records, but he also attended jazz festivals whenever he could. A strong sense of curiosity led him to travel extensively. Although he was not able to tour the entire world, he visited many countries and most of the continental United States. As his health began to decline, he shifted his attention to computers, acquiring his first PC in his seventies. Computer games kept him entertained and occupied for hundreds of hours while email was a great way for him to share his sense of humor. He collected and distributed jokes among his family and extensive network of friends. The greatest blessing came late in life as he was introduced to the Lord Jesus Christ by the late Reverend K. Aaron Lee of the New Imani Community Church. He was grateful for the continued relationship he shared with the clergy and members of New Imani. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Norma Johnson; his daughter, Noreen Warren; his son, Wallace Johnson, Jr.; three grandchildren, Mary “Libbie” Christy, David Grandberry, IV, and Ava-Maria Johnson; and three great grandchildren, Ethan Christy, Ambriehl Christy and Nicoletta Grandberry; and a host of family and friends.

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“ Sincerest condolences from the O'Neill family to the family of Wallace Johnson Sr on your recent loss. It pleases us to have made a donation to the International Myeloma Foundation in his memory. Warmest Regards, DeWitt O'Neill

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“ Noreen, I am sorry to hear of the loss of your dad. We are praying for you and your family. May the Lord comfort you during this time. Love and Blessing, The Hart Family

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“ My deepest sympathy during your time of sorrow but knows 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 What a wonderful prospect for our future.

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“ Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. I too have lost loved ones in death. Even though we know that death is inevitable, it is still difficult to accept. Death was not something that God intended for us. The thought of death is always distasteful and it always will be because Jehovah God has created within us the keen desire to live forever. We never get used to it. We feel deep down in our hearts that this should not happen because, “Even time indefinite he (God) has put in their heart,” says Ecclesiastes 3:11. One of the wonderful parts of his plan is the hope of the resurrection of dead loved ones. (John 5:25, 28, 29). Please be assured that Jehovah God loves us and wants the best for us. Take comfort in the promise that he has given us at Rev. 21: 3-5 of a new earth where there will be no more death.##imported-begin##Senita Swann##imported-end##

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