



Walter B. Burrell

April 20, 1937 - June 24, 2015

WALTER BERNARD BURRELL, SR was born in Winston Salem, N.C. On April 20, 1937 to the late James and Hazel Burrell. "Bernard", as he was affectionately known by his family, was called from his earthly home on June 24, 2015 with his wife and children close by his side.

At an early age Walter and the family relocated to Baltimore, MD. A lot of Bernard's early childhood was spent in Turners Station, MD. There he graduated from Sollers Point High School in 1956, and was identified as one of the four students "most likely to succeed." Bernard gave his life to Christ at an early age in 1947 he joined the Galilee Baptist Church in Dundalk, MD where he remained a member until his death.

Bernard entered into the United States Air Force and later the Air Force Reserves and the Air National Guard proudly serving his country. He earned the rank of Master Tech Sergeant. And retired with 28 years of military service. Bernard has worked many jobs (you name it he has probably done it) and participated in numerous organizations and committees. He sat on Attorney Grievance Committee, Board of Education Baltimore County, Board of Social Services, BNI (affair housing organizations), Maryland Legislative Black Caucus, was a lifetime member and treasurer of the NAACP, Steelworkers of America Local Union #8020 President, 32rd degree Shrine and Mason, and Board of Directors at ASE Credit Union, Bernard also retired

from Avesta Sheffield (formerly known as Eastern Stainless Steel) with 31 years of service. Some of the positions Bernard held during his tenure were: Security Guard, Accounts Payable, Mailroom Clerk, and Fire Inspector. Bernard has also work part-time positions in department stores such as Epstein's and Kmart, he was a student X-Ray Technician at City Hospital, Orderly in the Emergency Room at Johns Hopkins Hospital, and Even owned his own convenience store in Turners Station, "Burrell's Variety Store" Bernard was certified in Geriatric and as a Nurse's Aide, was a Notary Public for over 50 years, and an Auxiliary Policeman.

In Bernard's spare time, he decided to further his education by obtaining three AA degree at the Community College and a BA degree in Religion at McKendree School of Religion. He was a member of the Genealogical Research Society, as he enjoyed finding out about his family. Bernard has always found time to participate in the community.

He was active in the Cub Scouts with his son growing up and past PTA President at School #85 Fort Worthington and Herring Run. He helped campaign for several political candidates. He also ran for City Council and Maryland House of Delegates in the early 1970's Bernard has received countless awards and recognition for his unparalleled discipline, leadership and meritorious service.

Bernard was a devoted husband, loving father and caring grandfather. He enjoyed life and loved helping people. There was usually never a dull moment around Bernard and he loved to make you laugh, Bernard fought and was an avid supporter for civil rights and equality. Many family members looked to Bernard for advice.

Bernard has always tried to live by seven important values which he drilled into his family.

He will be forever sorely missed.

Preceding Bernard in death are: his half-sister Mary Louise Skinner and his youngest sister, Annette Mussa.

Bernard leaves to cherish his loving memory: his loving wife, Ringoldia Burrell; three children, Walter Burrell, Jr., Juanita Burrell – Moseley; three grandchildren, JaJuan, Erica and Lauryn Burrell; great-grandson, Jerrod; Mother-in-law Mildred Ranson; sister Loretta Mason; brother Elder Warren Burrell; four sisters-in-law, Virginia Burrell, Delores Gregory, Glorious Wooten and Shirley Hughes; brother-in-law, Charles Boyd; and a host of nieces, nephews, others relatives and many, many friends.

Cemetery Details

Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road
Owings Mills, MD

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUL 7. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Galilee Baptist Church
2440 N. Point Road
Baltimore, MD 21222

Wake

JUL 8. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

JUL 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Walter B. Burrell*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I will miss my Uncle, he has brought many laughs and comfort to our family, I'm sorry I wasn't able to be at the Funeral but he has left a huge impression on me as being a family man and a great Uncle to look up to. He has impressed me with his eagerness to learn and to seek education, I love you and I will miss you always your Nephew Darnell. Say hello to my Mom.....*



Warren Redding - July 09, 2015 at 07:36 AM



That was a very nice statement and definitely he and your mother are talking and now looking down at all of us.

Vinnie

valiente1 - July 10, 2015 at 08:16 AM



I just notice this message! Thanks for commenting. I will have to show My Mom your message. Sorry, You missed the funeral. Church was packed! My Daddy was truly a great man who brought laughter to Us All!! I truly miss him. His.. Best Pest the Baby-Girl Wanda Burrell!!

Wanda Burrell - June 16, 2016 at 11:02 AM

DC

“ *With Deepest Sympathy
In your time of sorrow may you know that my family is thinking
about your family.*

Diane Chiles and Family

Diane Chiles - July 08, 2015 at 08:52 AM

LW

“ *Bernard was the ‘Oldest’ cousin in our family of five sisters.*

*What can one say about a Cousin that touched so many lives.
It was always easy to be around him. He always had a joke or two.
Just mention his name to my daughter; his nieces or nephews or his
other 2nd tier cousins and a smile would begin to radiate.
You would then hear: “He is soo funny” or “Did he just say that?”.
He was never down.
It was hard to distinguish who had the most humor, he or Ring.*

*It was also wonderful to be with them or talk with he or ‘Ring’ on our
numerous phone calls.*

*Until his illness he always made it a point to make his ‘New Year’s
call with a joke and make plans
to meet at Andrews or Bolling AFB for the USAF’s annual Retiree
Appreciation Day.*

*His loss is not be easy; but we offer our heartfelt thoughts and
prayers and wish all our inner strength.*

We loved him - he will truly be missed.

*Our Deepest Sympathy,
Your Cousins Herb, Linda Sue & Lauren*

Linda Wyatt - July 07, 2015 at 11:26 AM

WB

“ *My big brother! Bernard was a great brother with a big heart. He always tried to help people, even those that he did not know. He loved humor, politics, Turner's Station, and most of all he loved his family. I am thankful for the 78 years that God gave him to us.*

A special thanks to his family for giving him the care that he needed during his years of illness. His wife "Ring" was exceptional in caring for him. Thank you family, because he was my big brother! I am forever grateful.

Moir Burrell

Warren Burrell - July 06, 2015 at 07:17 AM

JM

“ *Walter was a very good friend and neighbor...he truly will be missed...*

John & Bonnie McCormack

John McCormack - July 02, 2015 at 02:37 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 - July 02, 2015 at 02:11 PM

LM

We will miss your presence, knowledge and definitely sense of humor however we know you are now in that special place that was ready for you to enter. It is always hard for the rest left behind to let go but to keep us going we know we will enter that special place when we are called one by one. You are now with my father, aunt and of course with my grandmother and grandfather. You have now moved on to the next phrase and as you wait for each one of us to join you, you can relax and now not suffer anymore.

Your niece,

Vinnie

Lavinia Mason - July 10, 2015 at 08:26 AM