



Wayne Lawrence Custis

November 17, 1948 - May 30, 2003

WAYNE LAWRENCE CUSTIS was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on November 17, 1948 to Louise and the late Lawrence Custis. He was the oldest of their four children and their only son. At Innovis Hospital in Fargo, North Dakota, he was called to eternal rest in the afternoon hours of May 30, 2003. Wayne grew up in Baltimore, MD with spiritual growth being fostered at St. Cecilia Catholic Church, where he was an altar boy. He was educated in the Baltimore City Public School System. After graduating from Baltimore City College High School, he furthered his studies at Morgan State College where in 1970 he received a Bachelor of Science in Education. Then, in 1972 he received a Masters' Degree in Criminal Justice from Coppin State College. Utilizing his first degree, Wayne taught Elementary School in Baltimore City Schools. From there, he taught on the collegiate level in Washington, D.C. While in the U.S. Capitol, Wayne had the opportunity to work with juveniles as he supervised a national intern program at the D.C. Superior Court. Wayne's second degree led him into a career change where he worked as a Federal Law Enforcement Officer. He retired from this career as a supervisor, and an instructor for new officers and Federal judges in Miami, Florida in 1995. Wayne's final career was not based on his degrees but rather stemmed from his childhood love for dogs. He and Emelda, his of 34 years, spent most of their married life showing, breeding, and handling dogs. He was especially fond of Great Danes, and was instrumental in helping to establish the Great Dame Health Foundation. Wayne also served as Vice President of the Great

Dane Club of America. He leaves to mourn: his loving and devoted wife, Emelda; a daughter, DeNae; his mother, Louise; three sisters, Bernadette Hamilton, Andrea Custis, and Yvette Custis-Jones; a mother-in-law, Mary Brown; six brothers-in-law; two sisters-in-law; aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, relatives, and a host of friends from all across the country.

Tribute Wall



“ Wayne was my dean for my intake process for Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. in 1975. I am eternally grateful for the wisdom he instilled in me. I will Emelda and the rest of the family in my prayers.

Bro. Steven James

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“ Please accept our heartfelt sympathy in your time of great sorrow. Only those who have lost a loved one can know the depths of your feelings. We hope our caring will make your sorrow easier to bear.##imported-begin##The March Family and Staff##imported-end##

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“ *Emelda, DeNae, and family, You have my heartfelt condolences on the death of Wayne. I know his loss will be greatly felt within the Custis family and beyond. I thought it interesting that when it happened he was doing what he loved. May God continue to keep you safe and strong, and keep the precious memories that you shared in mind at all times. With much love, and concern.*
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