



William Cunningham

May 6, 1937 - October 18, 2019

WILLIAM CUNNINGHAM, was born May 6, 1937, in Chester, South Carolina to the late James Cunningham and Rosa Blake Cunningham. He was the seventh of 10 children. On October 18, 2019, William peacefully transitioned after a lengthy battle with Alzheimer's Disease.

He was educated in the Chester County school system and attended Finley High School, until he joined the United States Navy in 1955. While serving in the Navy, William was able to travel the world and often spoke about his time in Scotland and Okinawa, Japan. When William was not deployed, he would periodically take leave and visit his family in South Carolina. It was during this time that he met his wife, Fronie Craig at a church revival. Over the next few years, although William continued his military service, he and Fronie continued their courtship. He was persistent, and even visited Fronie while she lived in Mt. Vernon, New York. In 1959 William was honorably discharged from the Navy and settled in Baltimore with family. Shortly after, Fronie followed. They were married on May 23, 1959. From that union four daughters were born: Trina, Glinda, Frada and Tamgra.

William was a hard-working man who always provided for his family. For the majority of his adult life, he was a painter at the Shipbuilding and Drydock Company of Maryland. After his tenure at Maryland Drydock, he was employed by Baltimore County Public Schools, where he retired as a

maintenance worker. In addition to full-time employment, William also worked part-time as a taxi driver in the Baltimore area. He enjoyed driving so much, eventually he purchased a cab and worked for himself. So many stories and experiences were had while driving in the city of Baltimore.

During his childhood William attended church regularly and gave his life to Christ at an early age. In the late 1960's he and his wife became members of Mt. Zion United Methodist Church. He had a jovial personality and was well loved by his church family. As an active church member, William was a member of The United Methodist Men and usher board, where he served as president years ago. As a social person, William spent a good part of his life being a member of a variety of organizations. He was a 33° Mason and member of the M.W. Zerubbabel Grand Lodge of Baltimore, Maryland until his health began to decline. His greatest joy was spending time with his family. He adored his wife, four daughters and their many accomplishments. Once his daughters married, his love was extended to his sons-in-law. William also found joy in being a "Pop-Pop," and telling animated stories to his grandchildren. He would love to sit on the porch for hours and talk to neighbors, while enjoying his cigars.

William was preceded in death by his daughter, Trina Cunningham. He leaves to cherish his memory: a loving and devoted wife of 60 years, Fronie Cunningham; loving daughters, Glinda Cunningham-Jordan, Frada CunninghamLynn (Wilbert Jr.), and Tamgra Cunningham-Samuel (Edward); six grandchildren, Jessica Lynn Melton (Devin), Wilbert Lynn III (Brittney), Breah Samuel, Wesley Samuel, Erin and Earl Jordan; five great-grandchildren Devin Matthew, Zaria, Desmond, Wilbert IV, and Zane. He also leaves two siblings: sister, Janie Frazier of Detroit, Michigan and brother, Tommy Cunningham of San Bernardino, California; one brother-in-law, Frank Rosborough, and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Previous Events

viewing

OCT **27**. 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
(410) 542-2400
info@marchfh.com

Family Hour

OCT **27**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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Wake

OCT **28**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Mt. Zion UMC
3050 Liberty Heights Ave
Baltimore, MD 21215

Service

OCT **28**. 11:30 AM (ET)

Mt Zion U.M.
3050 Liberty Heights
Balto., MD 21207

Tribute Wall



“ *William Cunningham*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Sorry that we were unable to attend the services as I was out of town. I remember Me William as a neighbor in the 4000 block and always pleasant when I would see him. Mrs. Cunningham and the rest of the family I pray that the memories will comfort you as you Journey on with this Life.*

Donna Holman El-Amin - October 29, 2019 at 12:07 PM



“ *Fronie, Trenna, Fretter, Cookie, Tam and the other members of the Cunningham family, I offer you my deepest and most sincere condolences upon the loss of William. I also share in your lost because I often thought of William as a leader in the family and an older and wiser brother, particularly when Tom, John and I were much younger and far more foolish men. I have and will continue to honor him because he showed me what it meant to be a good man, a good father, and a responsible leader among men. Take this time to mourn your loss but tomorrow you will have a lifetime to remember him and grow as individuals with the examples he set for you and for others.*

With love and personal sadness, your cousin..., Dix.

marvin dixon - October 26, 2019 at 11:03 AM

CB

*Fronie and Family,
We send our deepest sympathy during the loss of Uncle Jun. May God continue to strengthen you and the family, and provide comfort in the days ahead. May the fond memories remind you of the love and laughter Uncle Jun shared with family and friends.
With love,
Nephews Carl & Kelvin Bratton*

Carl W. Bratton - October 28, 2019 at 05:00 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of William Cunningham.*



October 26, 2019 at 10:53 AM

SJ

“ *To The William Cunningham Family and Friends,
I wanted to offer my condolences to The Cunningham Family through this tough time of loss and sorrow. May God Continue to watch over the family and friends and May Mr. Cunningham Continue to Rest In Peace.He was a very nice and family oriented Gentleman, who loved his family and church home dearly.*



*Thanks,
Mr. an Mrs Burnis T.Mitchell III*

Syranda Jones - October 26, 2019 at 08:10 AM

BC

“ *Bernadette Clark lit a candle in memory of William Cunningham*



bernadette clark - October 22, 2019 at 11:07 AM

LC

“ *To the family, I would like to share my deepest sympathy for the loss of your dear love one. "When someone you love becomes a memory that memory becomes a treasure may that treasure fill your heart with love and bring you peace. " (Rev.21:4). My thoughts and prayers are with you during this most difficult time.*

Lucy culbertson - October 22, 2019 at 07:05 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.*

March Funeral Homes - October 21, 2019 at 01:03 PM

BD

May prayers 🙏 are with you and your family, stay with the Lord

Bishop Brock A. Brown D.D., - October 22, 2019 at 04:01 PM