

William Alfonza Joyner

September 23, 1933 - February 26, 2014

William Alfonso Joyner moved to a new address on February 26, 2014. A heart of gold and a great spirit is silent.

William was born in Nash County, North Carolina, to John H. Joyner and Hattie B. Hunter of Nash County, North Carolina. He was the oldest of four boys. In the early days he and his brothers worked on the farm. He drove the school bus in high school and completed his high school education at Nash County Training School. His next great venture would lead him to the United States Army as a Medi-Vac Unit soldier to caring for the injured in the Korean War. He received his Honorable Discharge in 1955.

The next year he married the lovely Dorothy Bell who would be his soul mate for 57 years. A life-long journey which produced two children and four granddaughters.

William attended North Carolina Central University, in Durham, North Carolina and Virginia Union University, Richmond, Virginia, studying business and entrepreneurship. He spent 17 years with Brown Distributing Company where he was the first Black route salesman. He later opened two successful businesses "A & W Suprette" in 1972, affectionately named after his children and "Bob and Len's Restaurant" in 1974, on Brookland Park Blvd in Richmond. He received numerous sales awards and commendations.

One of his proudest achievements was working to establish the Boys and Girls Club in the Churchill community. As Past Master of Mocha Temple No. # 107 he worked diligently to promote Black businesses and that community. His commitment to real estate development caused him to renovate, restore and rent property to families in the community. As an entrepreneur his legacy of real estate and community development would live on to his children.

In recent years she enjoyed family gatherings, traveling and visiting with family and friends from New Jersey to Florida

He was preceded in death by his mother, father and brother, John.

He leaves to cherish his memory a loving and devoted wife Dorothy M. Joyner; daughter, Willette Joyner; son, Almondo Joyner(Keisha); four granddaughters; Dominique ,Raven, Amani and Hannah Joyner; brothers; Herbert L. Joyner(Anita) of Newport News, Virginia and Curtis Joyner (Ernestine) of New Jersey; sister-in-law, Mildred Joyner of New York; nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

4000 Pilots Lane
Richmond, VA 23222

Previous Events

viewing

MAR 4. 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel
Richmond, VA 23222

Family Hour

MAR 4. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

MAR 5. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Hi there,

My name is Carver, and I am a distant cousin of Mr. Joyner through his grandmother, Carrie Macklin. Her father, John Macklin, and my great-great-grandfather, Jesse Macklin, were brothers. I have more info and pictures that I'd love to share with the family. My number is (252)801-8573. My name on Facebook is Carver CJ Earl Spruill Jr.

Carver Spruill Jr - March 14, 2023 at 02:26 AM



“ *William Alfonza Joyner*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM

AF

“ Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. Death is the enemy of all mankind, yet when it touches us personally, few find the comfort they search for. The doctrines that are taught concerning death find their origins from men and not the Bible. As a result, they fail to leave those who are grieving with comfort or a hope. They do however, leave many with unanswered questions. The response that "God works in mysterious ways" or that "God needed another angel", does not satisfy the spiritual needs of those who are grieving. However, many have found comfort in the pages of God's word the Bible (2 Corinthians 1:3, 4). In God's word we find the promise that we can be reunited with our loved ones (John 5:28,29; Acts 24:15). The Bible tells us where this happy reunion will take place (Psalm 37: 11, 29; Matthew 5:5). We are told why we die (Genesis 3:17-19; Romans 5:12), and that the God of the Bible will end death forever (Isaiah 25:8; Revelation 21:3,4). Learning the truth about Jehovah, the God of the Bible (Psalm 83:18), God's Kingdom (Daniel 2:44), and the state of those who have died (Ecclesiastes 9:5), is the start to finding true comfort concerning loved ones who are sleeping in death (John 11:11-14; John 8:32. It is of vital importance to learn what the Bible really teaches concerning death. For more information please visit the website jw.org.

A Friend - March 17, 2014 at 02:38 AM

BB

“ may the love of god give you what ,s needed to get thru this difficult time, god blessing to the family. bill bailey.

blii bailey - March 04, 2014 at 09:28 PM

JP

“ Please accept my deepest sympathy to your family in the passing of your loved one. May you find peace and comfort in your loving memories. Joyce Pittman

Joyce Pittman - March 03, 2014 at 07:22 PM

LF


“ Our family would like to express condolences to your family. May you find comfort from Jehovah God's Word The Bible. He not only assures a resurrection for our loved ones on a restored Beautiful Paradise Earth but in 1 Corinthians 15:26 He even promises that "the last enemy death will be brought to nothing". Our prayers are with your family.

linn & family - March 03, 2014 at 01:22 PM

AH

“ From Alma Hunter and Family Philadelphia.PA
We are sorry for your lost but the master knows that he isn't lost, he just when home. We are grateful for all the great memories and his philosophy of live. He was truly a good human being. The world was blessed by his presents

Alma Hunter - March 02, 2014 at 11:23 AM

 Natalie
Prosser
McCoy

“ I am so sorry for your loss. May "the God of all comfort" (2 Corinthians 1:3,4) comfort and soothe your heart. His promises, found in the Holy Scriptures, can offer much hope. It assures us at John 5:28,29 that our loved ones will be remembered and brought back to life in the resurrection. Please allow God's Word to strengthen you and help you to endure this most difficult time.

Natalie Prosser McCoy - February 28, 2014 at 09:43 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 - February 28, 2014 at 11:50 AM