



Mr. Harold Williams

April 19, 1936 - February 28, 2023

In Loving Memory Of

Harold Williams was born on April 19, 1936 to the late Richard Montgomery Williams and Cecelia Burton Williams in Atlantic City, New Jersey. He was the fourth of five siblings. He was predeceased by Richard Williams Jr., Barbara Martin, and Joyce Williams.

He graduated from Atlantic City High School in 1954. He later relocated to Detroit, Michigan in 1956 to pursue a college degree at Wayne State University. His pursuit was interrupted by being drafted in 1959 into the United States Army.

In the army, he served in San Antonio, Texas as a Neuro Psychiatric Specialist. In 1961, he was honorably discharged.

After being discharged from the army, he worked at Chrysler Motor Company and the United States Post Office to fund his college education.

In 1968, he graduated from Wayne State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Secondary Education. Upon graduating, he taught science and math at Beaubien Middle School. During his tenure with the Detroit Public School System, he was a dedicated, passionate, innovative classroom teacher. In addition to being an outstanding teacher, he was active in the Detroit Federation of Teachers Union serving effectively as a Building Representative for many years. He had a love for children which manifested by being a Boy Scout Leader for many years.

He accepted Christ at an early age and rededicated his life in 1992 while

attending the Understanding God Catechism Class at Bethesda Christian Church where he is currently a member. Since that time he has grown strong in the Lord by studying God's Word, attending the Caring Christian Sunday School Class, witnessing to others about Jesus, worshipping and praising the Lord, praying, reading Christian Literature, fellowshiping with the saints, and watching Christian programs. His favorite song was: "Jesus, There's Something About That Name." And his favorite scripture was "John 3:16." On June 5, 1993, Harold married his college sweetheart, Soul Mate, and best friend, "Patricia Richardson." Harold demonstrated his love to Pat by being a kind, loving, and devoted husband. During their marriage they travelled extensively, enjoyed each others music, shared laughter, enjoyed spending time with family and friends and together grew in the fear and admonition of the Lord. Christ was always the "Center of his Joy."

In his retirement, he enjoyed participating in the River Walker's Health Program, listening to Country Music, watching Western Movies, watching football games while eating hotdogs, dining out with his friend, collecting comic books, exercise class, reading about history, science and science fiction, travelling with his wife to places such as Alaska, Hawaii, the Caribbean Islands, the Holy Land and many other destinations.

He used his math knowledge in Post Retirement to work for H&R Block preparing Tax Returns.

Harold was a multifaceted man with a photographic memory often referred to as "The Brain." He was an avid reader and by having a scientific mind he was very analytical and a critical thinker. He found studying finances fascinating. He was a handyman (could fix anything), loved reminiscing about his childhood adventures and military experiences. He was peaceful, patient, a homebody, family man, and a "Practical Joker." When waking up after a nap, he would say, "He was just checking his eyelids for holes." He was a people person who loved his family, friends, neighbors and co-workers. He was an engaging conversationalist as well as generous and caring, donating to several charitable organizations and was a Lifetime Member of the NAACP.

He also enjoyed spending time on his farm cutting down trees and clearing the land.

After a short illness, this incredible man transitioned from this earthly life on Tuesday morning, February 28, 2023 and was received into the hands of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

A remarkable man, Harold, leaves to celebrate his life on earth his beloved wife, Patricia; sister, Geraldine Mantley of Long Branch, New Jersey; Wilma Waltower (sister-in-law); Calvin Richardson (brother-in-law); Darryl Richardson (Cyndia), brother-in-law; Aunt Elvira Jones; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, church family and a special friend "James."

Previous Events

Visitation

Friday, Mar. **10**. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
(313) 838-9770
info@pyefuneralhome.com

Family Hour

Saturday, Mar. **11**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethesda Christian Church
14000 Metropolitan Parkway
Sterling Heights, MI

Celebration of Life

Saturday, Mar. **11**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

OJ

“ Patricia, I am remembering with you, praying for you, and sharing in the sadness of losing someone you loved so much. May God continue to keep you in his care. With caring thoughts and deepest sympathy. Love,
Odessa.



Odessa Jackson - March 10, 2023 at 05:23 PM

DR

“ Aunt Pat, we are so sorry for your loss, Uncle Harold was Uncle Harold long before...and he was "Our Guy", so smart and funny. He helped us All with our homework questions and always willing to listen and debate. We are sending Love and Prayers for you and Uncle Harold's family. May The Lord continue to keep His Loving Arms around you. We Love You so much,
Dr. Lisa, Brandon, Jasmine, Ciera, Olivia, Matt, Brandon T., Kelli, Daniel, Paul, Angie & Angelynn



Dr. Lisa Richardson-Cox - March 07, 2023 at 09:54 AM

RS

“ Patricia,
We are praying for you and your entire family during the loss of your dear husband, Harold. Trust God to strengthen you at this time. Hold on to His unchanging hand and remember the happy times you spent with Harold. The Patterson/Shaw families share your grief and know that God's richest blessings will be with you always. Much love.
Richard & Patricia Shaw

Richard Shaw - March 03, 2023 at 08:57 PM