



Milton Morrison Sr

February 14, 2019

Milton Morrison, Sr. transitioned to his final resting home to be with his Savior on Thursday, February 14, 2019 following a lengthy illness from Alzheimers at the age of 80. A native of New Orleans, LA he relocated to River Ridge, LA following the aftermath of Katrina. He was a proud son of the late Samual Lloyd Morrison, Sr. and Adonis Reed Morrison. Beloved husband of Alva Jacques Morrison for 58 years. Dedicated father of Milton Morrison, II (Terry Antee) and Michelle Ann Morrison and adored "Paw-Paw" of Milton Morrison, III (Pamela) and Hayley Morrison-Miller (Jeremy). Brother of Samual Lloyd Morrison, II (Chrisell), Daniel Morrison and the late William, Tyrone, Leonard, Stanley (Janice), Allen (Gail) Morrison and Carolyn M. Holden. Nephew of Alice M. Porter (Irvin) and son-in-law of the late Alvin Joseph Jacques and Dorothy Angelety Jacques. Milton was a graduate from Booker T. Washington High School, the only high school in the Metropolitan Area to have initiated and implemented a Vocational Preparatory Trade School from professionals in their respective field. This was a great opportunity for interested Black Students to develop a trade beyond their high school requirements. Milton enlisted in the U.S. Navy in the late 50s and was assigned and trained as a Parachute Rigger. He was honored to have been appointed as a Petty Officer of his diverse platoon. Milton served our country with pride and dignity and strongly believed in the sovereignty of his country. Upon completion of his military duties and as a proud patriot he joined the U.S. Navy Reserve to complete his mission. Milton was a former Employee of Agriculture,

Stabilization and Conservation Service (“Commodity”) Federal Facility in the Resource Division, followed by employment by Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., as a Chemical Plant Technical Operator in the 60s. This company produced Oxygen, Hydrogen and Nitrogen gases and liquids for the consumer, and their products continue to be in great demand across the country. Later in the 70s, he was promoted as a Supervisor, the first African American to advance to a leadership position at APCI at its New Orleans plant site. As Milton settled into the 80s, he was the first African American promoted as a Relief Superintendent from N.O. He traveled across the country as a Superintendent to monitor the operation of other plant sites for fifteen consecutive years. He attained certification in Chemical Plant Concepts and Systems Operation from Delgado Community College and additional certification in Chemical Plant Operational Techniques and management through correspondence courses. APCI afforded him great opportunities to advance in his profession through various enrichment services during his career. Milton retired in 2001 after 35 years of service rendered to Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. He humbly received recognition throughout his career of accolades and generous gifts from APCI for his outstanding service, dedication, commitment, leadership and longevity. He was gratified to have achieved his goals in his earthly life, and was deeply appreciated by his family for his unselfishness and the many sacrifices he made to enrich the lives of his family and community. During his spare time, he provided appliance repair service to the elderly, family, friends and neighbors. Milton had a deep compassion for all God’s Children, mostly the youth and elderly, because he believed they were the most vulnerable in our society. In addition, Milton was a Regular Blood Donor, Voting Poll Commissioner, Voter Registration Volunteer and a mentor for Big Brothers and Youth Association, whose mission was to motivate and inspire our youth through Big Brothers’ life experiences. He was encouraged by his parents to have developed essential qualities; to give praise to and be worthy of our Lord, Jesus Christ; and to provide the best he had to offer in service to others. Milton’s demeanor was

loved, admired and appreciated by many. His fondest memories included his U.S. Navy "Buddies" John Clark and Joe Moore, Harold and Ercel Romeaus, Herbert and Gail Howard, Dr. Ernest Chachere and APCI employees. Milton was an avid Whist and chess player, enjoyed family and annual Social Club celebrations, Carnival balls and the BTW Class of 1956 Reunions. He was a former member of St. Leo The Great, Resurrection of Our Lord after the consolidation of the churches of St. Raymond and St. Leo the Great. He briefly attended the Xavier University Sunday Congregation after relocating. Milton was a former member of Air Products and Chemicals Retirement, Big Brothers and Youth Associations, Eight Coupled Whist Players, Brothers and Brothers-In-Law and Jefferson Golden Age Clubs, and was an active alumnus of BTW. Milton was preceded in death by his parents, 6 siblings, 6 sisters-in-law, 1 brother-in-law and 1 nephew. He leaves to cherish his memory his wife, children, grandchildren, 2 siblings, 1 aunt and uncle, 6 sisters-in-law, 9 brothers-in-law, 28 nieces and nephews, 29 grandnieces and grandnephews and a host of other relatives and friends. Relatives, friends, former and present employees of APCI, Grady Hospital, Delta Airlines, Zetas, BTW Alumni, LARTA, PANOPSI, LDduB and Parishioners of St. Raymond St. Leo The Great Catholic Church, as well as officials and parishioners of neighboring churches are invited to attend A Mass of Christian Burial at St. Raymond St. Leo The Great Catholic Church, 2916 Paris Ave. on Saturday, February 23, 2019 at 12:30 pm. Visitation will begin at 11:30 am. Interment: Lakelawn Metairie Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to St. Raymond and St. Leo The Great Catholic Church in memory of Milton Morrison, Sr. Arrangements by D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Ave. Please visit www.rhodesfuneral.com to sign the guestbook.

Cemetery Details

Lakelawn Metairie Cemetery

5100 Pontchartrain Blvd
New Orleans, LA 70124

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 23. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

St. Leo/St. Raymond Catholic Church
2916 Paris Ave
New Orleans, LA

Service

FEB 23. 12:30 PM (CT)

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New Orleans, LA

Tribute Wall

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“ *Deepest sympathy to Mrs. Alva Jacques Morrison and the entire Morrison family.
Sincerely,
Dr. Brenda Garibaldi Hatfield
Gonzales, LA*

Dr. Brenda Garibaldi Hatfield - February 21, 2019 at 10:36 PM

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“ *Milton is miss. He was my partner whenever Herb & I got together with Alva and him to play cards. He was always there for his friends. We were fortunate to have develop a true and enduring friendship. The "Good Times" we experienced will never be forgotten.*

Rest In Peace Moe/Watash

Gail and Herb Howard

Gail Howard - February 20, 2019 at 09:39 PM

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“ *My condolences to the Morrison Family. We attended Valena C. Jones Elementary School.*

Castro Spears - February 20, 2019 at 02:08 PM