

In God's Care

Our hearts are broken, yet we rejoice in knowing
you are safe in the arms of the Lord.

You taught us love, strength, and kindness,
and though we feel the ache of your absence,

We trust in God's promise of eternal life.

When we lift our eyes to the heavens,
we imagine your spirit free,
praising God with the angels above.

Though we shed tears today,
we hold on to the hope that one day
we will see you again in glory.

With Love,
Your Family

Expressions of Gratitude

The family wishes to extend their heartfelt
gratitude to the many friends, relatives, and
church family who have shown love, support, and
prayers during this time. Following the service, a
private repast will be held with the family as we
continue to celebrate Jay's life.

Professional Services Entrusted to:



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CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR



HARVEY JAMES DUBLIN III
AUGUST 6, 1950 — SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

Saturday, September 20, 2025
1:00 p.m.

Sanders Funeral Home Chapel

OBITUARY



“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.”

On September 8, 2025, our beloved Harvey James (Jay) Dublin III was called to glory and received his eternal reward. Jay was born on August 6, 1950, to Ruth Caldwell Dublin and Harvey James Dublin II. Along with his parents, he was preceded in eternal rest by his maternal grandparents, Raymond L. and Gladys Foster Caldwell; his sister, Rita L. Dublin; and his paternal grandparents, Harvey J. Dublin I and Mary Raiford Dublin.

At the age of 11, Jay accepted Christ and was baptized. He later became a devoted and longtime member of St. Mark AME Church. He graduated from Johnston Central High School in 1968. At 20, he joined the United States Army and later received an honorable discharge. After his service, Jay continued his education, first taking courses at Mount Olive College and Campbell College. At 24, he studied Speech and Radio-Television-Motion Pictures at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he also trained in piano and organ. Jay was well known for his remarkable musical gifts, especially his mastery of the piano and organ.

Following his studies at UNC, he went on to have an extraordinary career, serving as a PBX Operator at WRAL for 12 years and as a radio news anchor at WSHA for 5 years.

His legacy continues through his niece, Rishawnta CeMoune Dublin; his great-nephew, Azhir LaShawn Smith of Raleigh, NC; his brother, Roderick Ennis of Fort Worth, MD; and a host of cousins.

SERVICE OF CELEBRATION



Prelude Meditations

Mr. Dwight Bunch

Processional

Clergy and Family

Hymn of Praise / Musician

We've Come This Far By Faith (Instrumental)

Mr. Dwight Bunch

Holy Scripture Reading: John 14:1-7

Mrs. Pearl Blackmon

Prayer of Consolation

Mrs. Pearl Blackmon

Solo

His Eye Is on the Sparrow

Mrs. Carol Bratcher

Acknowledgements / Reading of Obituary

Ms. Teaonna Joachina

Eulogy

Reverend Dr. Dorothy H. Richardson

Memorial Tribute / Military Honors

United States Army

Closing Prayer

Reverend Dr. Dorothy H. Richardson

Mortician's Brief

R.L. Sanders Funeral Home

Recessional

Clergy and Family

“Soon and Very Soon”