

FLOWER BEARERS

Jessica Bias
Cierra Bias

Monica Bias
Tiffany Bias

Felica Bias
Crystal Sellers

HONORARY FLOWER BEARERS

Millie Sain Taylor
Charlayne Williams

Carla Williams
Laniece Lacio

Rita Williams
Amber Bias

CASKET BEARERS

Louis Banks
Ryan Dawson

Wade Banks
JaRea Dawson

Stephen Bias
Stanley Franklin

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

Murl Anderson
Howard Hunt

Standley Lee
Jerome Bias

Willie Levels
Bernard Bias

Knights of St Peter Claver

WORDS OF GRATITUDE

**A Special Thank You to Phoenix Hospice for their service
and assistance during our time of need.**

The Family of John C. Bias, Jr. is grateful for community of friends. Thank you for your phone calls, prayers, acts of generosity and kindness. For every visit and for every meal, we thank each of you from the bottom of our hearts. We will always remember each and every word and deed. May the grace and peace of God be with you all is our prayer.

FINAL RESTING PLACE

Old Mission Cemetery - 3424 E. 21st St. - Wichita KS 67208

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Celebrating the Life of **JOHN C. BIAS, JR.**

SUNRISE: February 17, 1931

SUNSET: August 2, 2026



John C. Bias Jr., born February 17, 1931, in Washington, D.C., the son of John C. Bias Sr. and Priscilla C. Bias (née Shorter). He grew up in a home rooted in education and community service. When the family moved to Scotland Neck, North Carolina, John graduated from Brawley High School, where his mother was a teacher, and his father served as principal.

John continued his studies at Howard University in Washington, D.C., where he had the unique opportunity to provide courier service for Thurgood Marshall, who would later become the first Black Supreme Court Justice. After three years at Howard, illness forced him to pause his education, but once he recovered, John enlisted in the United States Air Force. Stationed at McConnell Air Force Base in Wichita, Kansas, he met the love of his life, Hazel M. Galbrieth. They married in 1955, and together they welcomed four sons: John III, Andrew, Francis, and James.

After completing four years of military service, John returned to his academic goals, earning a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from Xavier University in New Orleans. The family later returned to Scotland Neck. In 1968, the family moved to Wichita, KS., where John worked as a laboratory technician at St. Francis Hospital until injuring his back in an elevator accident. He worked a variety of jobs over the years. The key is – he worked. John always kept a roof over his family’s head and food on the table. He loved working with his hands, and fancied himself as a mechanic, working on cars and lawn mowers.

John was born and raised Catholic and became a member of Holy Savior Catholic Church in 1969 and remained a member until his death.

John is preceded in death by his parents, Priscilla and John Sr.; brother, Francis; his beloved wife, Hazel; son, John C. Bias III; and granddaughter, Jauniece. He leaves a legacy to be carried forward by his sons Andrew (Vickie), Francis (Judy), and James (Maria); twelve grandchildren; twenty-three great-grandchildren; and a host of other family members and friends.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE
Saturday – August 22, 2026
Rosary at 10:00 a.m. | Funeral Service at 11:00 a.m.
Holy Savior Catholic Church
3000 E. 13th Street N. – Wichita, KS 67214
Father Adam Grelinger, Officiant

Introductory Rite	
Greeting	
Sprinkling with Holy Water	
Placing of Pall	Family Members
Placing Christian Symbol/Bible & Cross	Family
Entrance Hymn: “Soon and Very Soon”	Holy Savior Men’s Choir
Opening Prayer	
Acknowledgments & Obituary	Anita Guidry
Liturgy of the Word	
Lector	Delia Shropshire, PhD
First Reading	Wisdom 3:1-9
Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 23:1-3,4,5,6
Second Reading	Romans 8:31b-35, 37-39
Gospel	John 14:1-6
Homily	Father Adam Grelinger
Liturgy of the Eucharist	
Preparation of Gifts	
Offertory Hymn: “I Shall Wear a Crown”	Holy Savior Men’s Choir
<i>“Holy, Holy, Holy”</i>	
Eucharistic Prayer	
Great Amen	
Lamb of God	
Communion: “Order My Steps”	Holy Savior Men’s Choir
Final Commendation	
Prayer of Commendation	
Rite of Committal	
Closing Hymn: “You Must Be Faithful”	Holy Savior Men’s Choir