A portrait of Joe Louis Mitchell, a Black man with a beard and mustache, wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and dark tie. He is smiling slightly. The background is a composite image featuring the stars and stripes of the American flag on the left and a blue sky with white clouds on the right. The name "MITSHELL" is written in large, outlined, blue capital letters across the top of the image.

MITSHELL

Joe Louis Mitchell

AUGUST 16, 1943 - OCTOBER 20, 2025

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2025

WAKE: 1:00 PM - FUNERAL: 1:30 PM

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A photograph of a field of green crops, likely corn, with rows stretching into the distance under a bright sky.



Obituary

Joe Louis Mitchell was born in West Palm Beach, FL to Charles and Maxine (née Mobley) Mitchell. He was the second eldest son of nine children. Joe and his family moved to Cleveland, Ohio in the 1940's.

Joe was raised in the "projects" off of 55th and Central Avenue. During his formative years, he became friends with a group of people down the way that called themselves "Brick City Kids" and he remained friends with many of them for decades.

Joe graduated from East Tech high school, then enlisted in the Army in 1961 where he was honorably discharged after two years of service. Joe later married Jeannette K. Mitchell and together they loved and reared their daughter Elisia (Lisa) Mitchell who preceded them both in death.

Joe worked for LTV Steel and had a tremendous career which afforded him a comfortable lifestyle. Joe enjoyed going to Friendly Inn Settlement House where they gathered to dance and had a club vibe on Tuesday nights. He and his wife traveled extensively across the country and on cruises to various fun destinations. He was a master chess player and taught many of his nephews how to strategically play the game. He prided himself in being very healthy and credited his ability to remain active into his old age to Tai Chi, Capoeira, and Karate.

Family was at the center of Joe's world. As he and his siblings began having children, the family would gather at the Big

House for fish fries, chicken dinners and card playing. No matter the occasion, if Joe's family was going to be there, he wanted to be there too. He would attend events of his extended family and could often be found cutting a rug at those events. Joe loved the Mitchell's and wanted everyone of them to know that he was in their corner.

Joe could often be found shooting the breeze with his brother Dale in one of their cars listening to "THE GHETTO" on repeat while they sat and talked for hours. Joe was a talker and loved sharing his insight on politics and government conspiracies. We will all miss him telling a story and ending with "understand what I'm saying?"

His legacy of generosity and kindness will forever remain in the hearts of his granddaughters Marlisia, Martavia, and Ieayna, and Martavion, his great grandson, Yas'Zir. Joe was preceded in death by his wife Jeanette, daughter Lisa, and his parents, Charles and Maxine and five siblings, Jerry, Carolyn, Joenell, Mary, & Betty.

Joe leaves to celebrate his life a loving family including his brother, Dale (Kathleen) Mitchell; two sisters, Aranda and Cheyenne Mitchell; sister-in law, Myrtle Mitchell; brother-in-law Leon McLaughlin; along with his numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

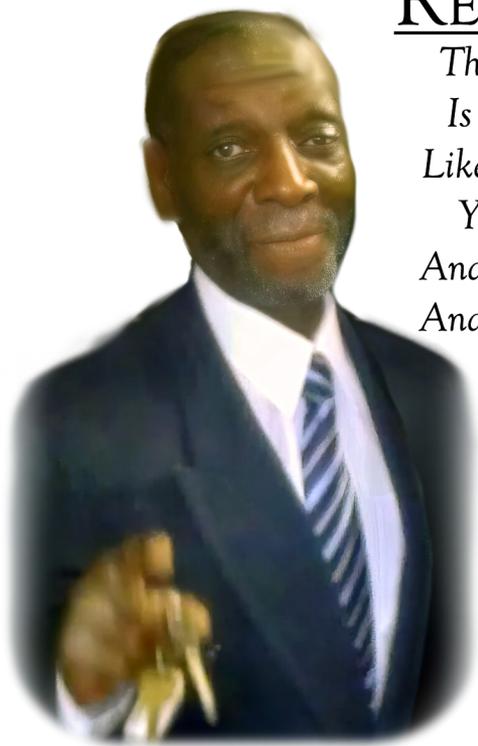
Though small in stature, your presence was larger than life. We take your life's lessons and move forward knowing that we were loved. May your body and soul rest in eternal peace.

*Lovingly Submitted,
The Family*





REMEMBERING



*The beauty of a memory
Is that it's always there.
Like a penny in your pocket,
You can take it anywhere.
And when your heart is heavy,
And your eyes are filled with tears,
You can focus on a memory,
And travel through the years.
Your heart can visit
happy times,
When laughter filled the air.
And the presence
of your loved one,
Will lessen your despair.*

*So, as you travel on in life,
Take comfort as you go,
In a lifetime of "sweet memories,"
Of one who loved you so!*

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

*The Family sincerely appreciates all acts of kindness shown during this time of bereavement. We thank you for your prayers, comforting words, personal visits and calls. We ask that you continue to keep us in your prayers.
May God Bless and forever comfort you.*

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