

Order of Service

Rev. James Bishop, *Officiating*

PROCESSIONAL Randy Sellars
MASS CHOIR
FINAL VIEWING
SCRIPTURE Min. Sheryl Morsell
PRAYER Deac. Daphne Hurd
THE LORD'S PRAYER Samuel Mack
WORDS OF COMFORT Rev. Gertrude Greene
and Min. Barbara Allen
TRIBUTES *(two minutes each)*
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS Min. Ettadean Hyman
RESOLUTION PRESENTATION Tyrone Myster
OBITUARY Tanya McKay
MASS CHOIR
MESSAGE OF HOPE Rev. James Bishop
BENEDICTION Rev. James Bishop
GOSPEL SELECTION *"I'll Fly Away"* Randy Sellars
RECESSIONAL Randy Sellars

Interment

Garrison Forest Veterans Cemetery
11501 Garrison Forest Road
Owings Mills, Maryland
(Immediately following Service)

Pallbearers

Sheldon Stokes Michel Stokes
Myron Stokes Landis Stokes
Marcel Scott Cedric Williams

Acknowledgement

The family gratefully acknowledges the many kind and beautiful expressions of sympathy and love shown during this time of bereavement.

Repast

John Wesley United Methodist Church
(Following Interment)

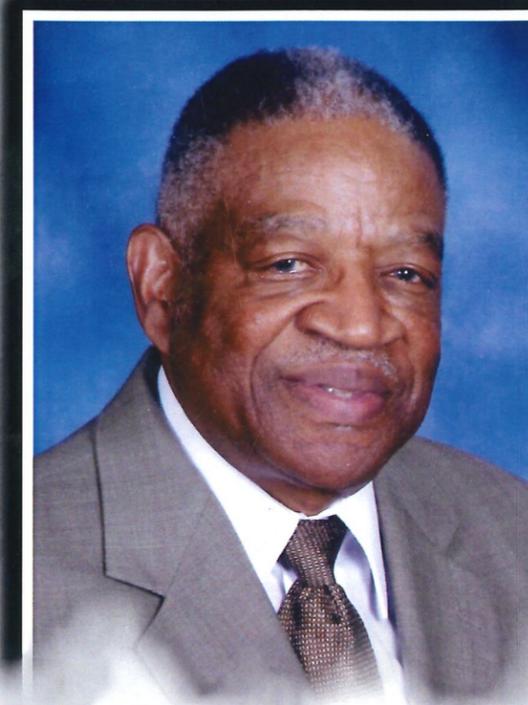
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CELEBRATION OF

Life FOR



CMSGT. *Landrus A. Stokes*

JANUARY 6, 1938 - JULY 18, 2023

Friday, August 4, 2023 | Wake: 11:00 a.m. Service: 11:30 a.m.

JOHN WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
3202 W. NORTH AVENUE | BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Journey of Life

LANDRUS ALGAR STOKES was the son of the late Doctor Algar Stokes and Mabel Johnson Stokes. He was born in Baltimore, Maryland on January 6, 1938. After a lengthy illness, Landrus passed away in the early morning hours of July 18, 2023, in the company of his family.

Landrus attended Baltimore City Public Schools. He attended St. James United Methodist Church with his family. Landrus was active in the church. He served as President of the Methodist Youth Association. Landrus graduated from Douglas Senior Highschool, as it was then called. While in elementary school he met his future wife, not known to either of them at the time. Landrus participated in track in school as well as the young men's glee club.

He graduated from Douglas Senior High School in February 1957. Soon after he enlisted in the United States Air Force, he would serve a thirty-year career. During his career in the United States Air Force, he rose from the rank of Airman to Chief Master Sergeant E9. Landrus was the recipient of many citations and awards for his dedicated service.

Landrus joined John Wesley United Methodist Church with two of his sons in 1987. He leaves, in memory, his loving wife of 49 years. From that union are two sons PO3 Myron A Stokes and Landis A Stokes (Kana). From a previous marriage Raymond D Stokes, Retired TSGT Sheldon L Stokes (Kris), Patricia M Smith, Retired CPO Michel R Stokes (Toni) and Stacy J Reed-Barnes (Gene), stepdaughter Silvana M Williams (Cedric), sisters-in-Law Elois Gilliams and Sandra Davis, his sister Thelma Terrell, niece Lynda (Damon), nephew Kevin, nephew Lionel. A host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great grandchildren nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Decorations, Medals, Badges, Citations, and Campaign Ribbons Awarded or Authorized

Chief Master Sergeant, E-9
Production Control Manager 2 years 9 months
Sanitation Manager 26 years 6 months
Continuous Active Military Service Date: 1957 April 01 - 1987 September 30
(28 years 4 months 22 days)

- Meritorious Service Medal with Two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters
- Air Force Commendation Medal with Three Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters
- Air Force Achievement Medal: Small Arms Expert Rifle
- Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal
- NCO Professional Military Education Graduate Ribbon with Two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters
- Army Good Conduct Medal with Two Bronze Loops
- Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon with One Silver and One Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster
- National Defense Service Medal
- Air Force Overseas Long Tour Ribbon with One Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster
- Air Force Overseas Short Tour Ribbon with Two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters
- Air Force Training Ribbon
- Vietnam Service Medal with Four Bronze Service Stars
- Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with One Silver and One Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster
- Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal
- AF Good Conduct Medal with a Silver and Two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters

Church Activities

- President of the Boy Scouts
- Former Mass Choir President
- Boys to Men Choir
- Finance Committee
- United Methodist Men
- Assisted in Worship Services

Awards

- 1999 Appreciation Award: General Chairman of Men & Women's Day
- 2010 Appreciation Award: Window Design Committee
- 2019 Faithful Service: Rev. Joan Carter Rimbach

To My Loving Husband,

We met in elementary school and knew the same people throughout our lives. Our paths often crossed during those school years. We dated briefly and then you went your way, and I went my way. But we always seemed to meet again. Was it because we knew the same people or was it all part of God's plan for us...?

Finally, we met again and made a commitment to each other. We joined our blended families together and we, with God's help, made it together through thick and thin days.

But now it's time to depart, not by our choice, but God's choice. He saw you suffering and knew your pain. We told you it was okay to leave, and God took you to a better place without pain or suffering to be with him.

I will miss you, Myra

