

D- Dedicated to the commitments he made to his family, God, Church, the Praise team, job, bowling team and the community.

A- Admirable, admired by those he came in contact with, his friends, the elderly seniors he served, multiple adopted youths and families.

V- Victorious, he survived his life as a young black male, a soldier in the Air Force, and an African American, retired at age 55.

I- Inspiring, an inspiration to many not only family members, but to the many youths he mentored as a coach and all the people on his mail route with the post office.

D- Determined, he gave his life to Christ. Mark 8:36 KJV “For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?”

“I Love you Uncle David, but God Loves you More”

– Ferda Owens



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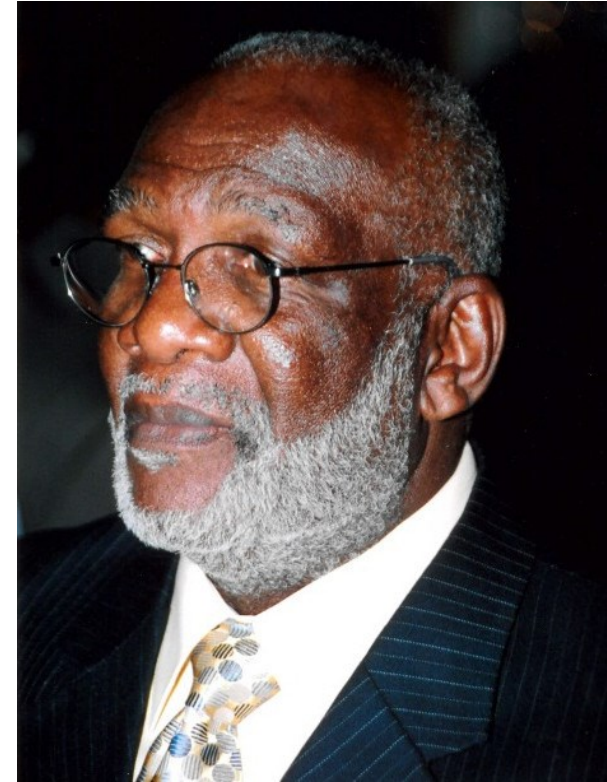
The Graves family wishes to express our sincere gratitude for the many expressions of love, comfort and acts of kindness.
May God bless you all.



Davis Funeral Home
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Celebration of the Life of *David Graves Sr.*

November 26, 1937 ~ February 22, 2024



Monday, March 4, 2024
At 11:00 AM

Davis Funeral Home
654 Cummins HWY
Mattapan MA 02126

Pastor Victor Price, Officiating

Obituary

David Graves Sr. of Dorchester, born November 26, 1937, to Florence and Henry Graves on John's Island, Charleston, S.C. He graduated from Burke Industrial High School in Charleston, S.C. Following high school, he enlisted in the US Air Force. He was stationed at Misawa and Yokota AFB's in Japan, Hanscom AFB in Massachusetts and Elmendorf AFB in Anchorage, Alaska where he was honorably discharged following 8 years of service. David subsequently joined the U.S. Postal Service and worked there for 30 years. He also coached little league baseball for 30 years and was an involved member of the Second Church of Dorchester.

He is preceded in death by 3 sisters and 1 brother: Annabelle Arnett, Lillian H. Hope, Louise Graham, and Junior Mack. David is survived by his ex-wife Nacie Eugenia Carter, sons David Jr and Donald C. Graves, Grandchildren Owen and Koharu (Japan) and Donald C. Graves Jr. (Dorchester). Nieces and Nephews: Ferda Owens, Charquanza Mack, Charlise Mack, Christopher Mack, David Graham, Maxine Hope, James Hope, Christopher Mack all of FL. Danita & Arthur Hall-Brewster, Darryl and Sheree Kelley of Boston, Leah and Anthony Magee, Spencer Jackson of GA, Susan Bass (MA), Sonja Bailey of MA, John C. Carter: Brother in law and best friend Charles (Uncle Charlie) Singletary and a host of other relatives and friends.



Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Invocation

Reverend Dr. Victor Price

Scripture Reading

Minister Ava-Ann Pennyfeather
"1 Thessalonians 4:13-18"

Song of Consolation

"Amazing Grace"

Obituary

David Graves

Special Tribute

Veterans

Celebration of Life Tributes

David Graves Jr./ Friends/ Church Betty Thomas

Special Selection

Donald Graves Jr.

Eulogy

Reverend Dr. Victor Price

Hymn of Celebration

"It is Well"

Scripture Reading

"Revelation 21:1-7"

Prayer of Consolation

Recessional

Special Song