

AN UNCLE'S LOVE

MEMORIES THAT WE WILL CHERISH

Jackie: Uncle B, I have so many memories; one of my favorites is having you walk me to school during the fall and winter. Why do you ask? Because I would always fall, whether it was leaves or snow, you knew I would hit the ground. Man, Uncle, I know I sent your blood pressure UP!!! You would yell to the top of your lungs, "What are you doing down there, get up, walk, pick ya feet UP!" You were literally my anchor, holding my hand until we reached home. Man, Uncle, I will miss you so much, my constant anchor.

Jermaine: I remember graduating 8th grade, and Nikki was graduating 5th. Our mother went with Nikki to her graduation, and I hoped she could also make mine. When my graduation was over, I didn't see anyone, and I remember the tears swelling in my eyes. I looked and then saw Uncle Barron standing by the doorway. He said, "I was late but I made it, you know." I couldn't help but smile. Uncle Barron would try to be there for everyone.

Uncle Barron was a man with few words and many catchphrases. My favorite one is, "You know how Newark is" What does that even mean? Lol. Right now, it means a lot to me.

Nikki: When I was five, you gave me a flashlight so I wouldn't be afraid of the dark. Those precious memories will forever be in my heart. From a little girl until my first day of high school, you escorted me to and from the bus stop even when I didn't want you to. You protected me from danger during my childhood, and I appreciate you so much! You never mistreated me, always loved me despite my faults, and never raised your voice at me. The evening right before you left, you held my hand tightly; this leaves me with no doubt that you were ready to take your step. Sleep on Uncle Barron and hug my mom for me—your Niece Nikki.

Janene: Acronym for the word UNCLE:

U- Undying: Uncle's love covered & protected, up close & afar, from childhood into adulthood.

N- Needed: Uncle's love was unwavering for our physical, financial & emotional well-being from childhood into adulthood.

C- Consistent: Uncle's love operated consistently & constantly welcomed & at times, his wisdom pressed it upon us (5 am phone calls :)

L- Laughable- Uncle's love made us laugh & smile daily. Uncle would laugh whether we were in the same room or not :)

E- Everlasting- Uncle's love was full of excitement, essential, effective, enthusiastic & encouraging.

Thank you, Uncle Barron, for being the embodiment of a great uncle & father figure for US. Uncle B, I'm honored to have had the 9+ years & time for US to become friends--Forever yours, Nene

Jessica: I will never forget seeing you in a leather bomber jacket with a fitted cap, and hearing the sound of your church shoes going clickity-clack. Your mantra was always, "You know!" You were always on the move, getting up to go. I will cherish the memories of you always giving us accessories like gold rings, watches, and clothes. We were always grateful and accepted, but till this day, from where they came, nobody knows. You would always break out into your signature 2 step dance, or hit us with, "Let me hold something" for a cash advance (you always returned it on time, with a little more to sweeten the pot!). I will never forget the walks to the store; you may not have had children, but we were all yours. I love you, Uncle B. Thank you for always loving me.

James: UNK, thank you for all of the single dollars you gave me.

Acknowledgements

We, the Family of Barron Wardy McAllister would like to thank everyone for your acts of kindness shown during our time of bereavement. Whatever part you played, whether you said a prayer, donated food, gave a card, or just stopped by to show concern, we thank you so much. May God richly bless each of you.



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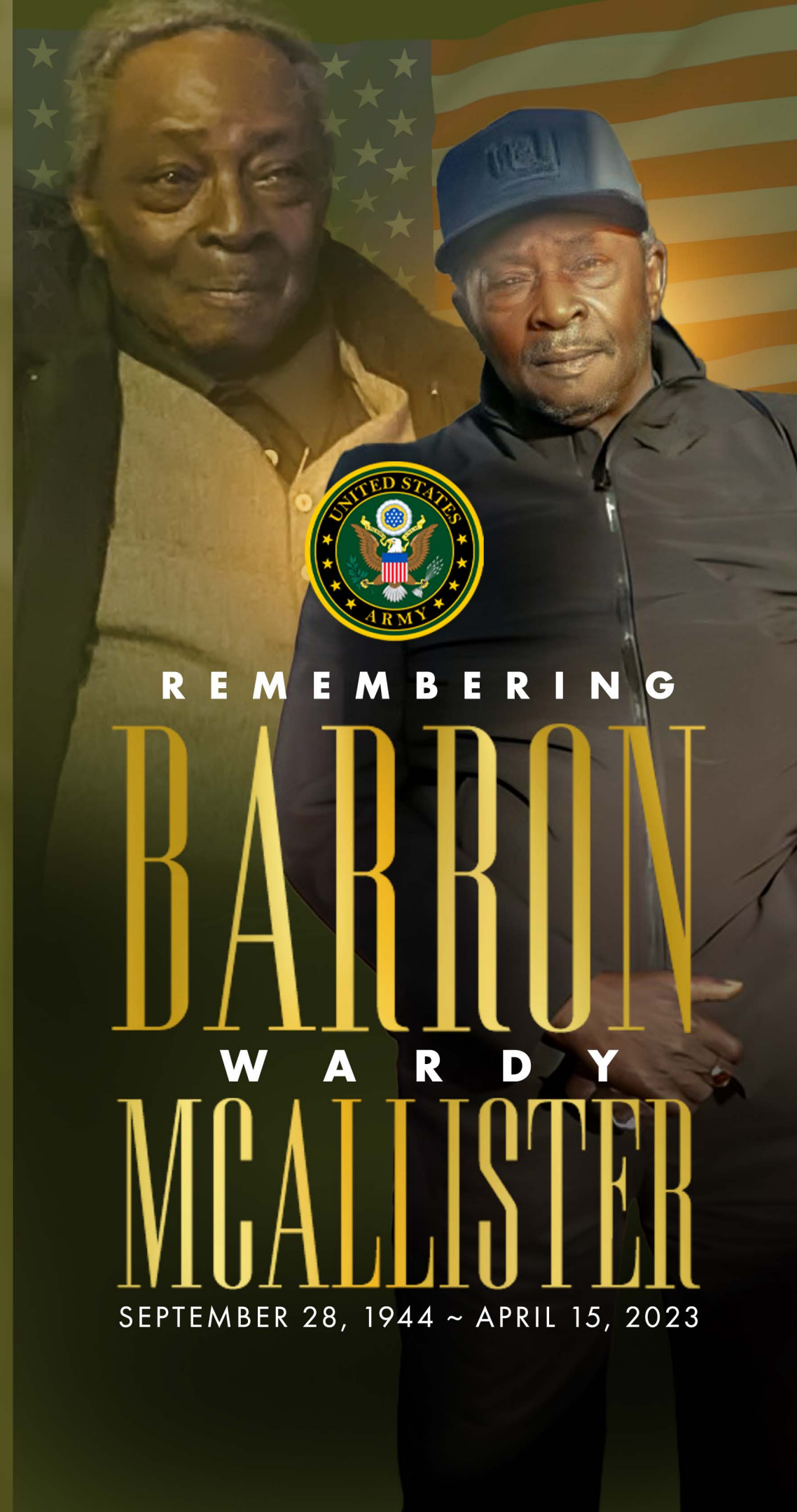


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REMEMBERING

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SEPTEMBER 28, 1944 ~ APRIL 15, 2023

THE LIFE STORY OF
BARRON
WARDY
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LIFE BEGINS

Barron Wardy McAllister (78) was born on Thursday, September 28, 1944, to Lucille (Wardy) and Johnson McAllister in Florence, South Carolina. Barron and the family settled in the Ironbound section of Newark, N.J., at the age of 8; he attended Broadway Jr. High and Central High School. While in high school, he was a track and field and cross-country runner. On August 30, 1962, Barron enlisted and served in the U.S. Army. After serving a three-year term, he was honorably discharged.

REFLECTIONS ON LIFE

Uncle Barron was quiet and loved music. The Chi-Lites and Smokey Robinson were some of his favorite artists. He loved living in the city of Newark. You could find him walking the streets in his younger years and on the bus in his older years. He traveled downtown for coffee and french fries every morning at his favorite Central and Halsey diner. Uncle Barron loved his family; he never married nor had children but assisted his sisters with caring for and raising his nieces and nephews as his own. He took pride in transporting them to school and taking trips to the store for snacks. He made sure they were all provided for to the best of his ability. One of our fondest memories was of him teaching us to eat ice cream with no spoon and our hands behind our backs. He shielded us from Grandma's whoopings many a day. His love carried on to his great-nieces and nephews as well. He was just a man who loved his family.

Barron held various jobs during his lifetime; he loved working on cars and shoes. His final place of employment was a shoe shop on Halsey Street in Newark, N.J. As his health declined, he relocated to Sicklerville, N.J., until his death.

A TIME TO MOURN

After a brief illness, surrounded by family, Barron peacefully took his last breath and departed on Saturday, April 15, 2023, in Sicklerville, N.J. He is preceded in death by his parents, Lucille and Johnson McAllister, and his sisters and brothers, Mary Reed, brother-in-law James Reed Sr., Carolyn Puryear, Helen Wardy Brown, Ida Mae Brown, Roberta Mae Johnson, John Henry McAllister, and Benjamin Wardy McColt.

He leaves to cherish his memory; his nieces and nephews Jacqueline Ruffin, Janene Reed, James Reed Jr., Jermaine Puryear (Mylika Puryear), Melissa Trahan (Elder Gregory N. Trahan), Jessica Henderson (Pastor Louis Henderson), Wilbert Brown, Benjamin Brown, Dorothy Johnson, and a host of other nieces, great nieces, nephews, and great-nephews.

Remembering BARRON



Order OF SERVICE

Sunday, April 23, 2023 at 5:00 PM | The Ferguson-Rayam Funeral Home
80 Midland Ave, Wallington, NJ 07057

“Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.”

Psalms 23:6

Presider.....Pastor Louis Henderson
Organ Prelude.....Clergy/Family Processional
Prayer of Comfort.....Apostle Eugene Lavelle

Scripture Reading

Old Testament Scripture: Psalms 23 (Entirety)

Elder Gregory N. Trahan

New Testament Scripture: 1st Thessalonians 4:13-18

Minister Melissa Knight

Selection.....Elder Shaunda Owens (Faith)

Remarks (*2 Minute Please*)

Deacon Linda Owens.....First Timothy Baptist Church
Jacqueline Ruffin.....Niece
Remarks
Selection.....Apostle Yvette Lavelle

Acknowledgement and Obituaries

Acknowledgment.....Chantell Puryear
Obituary.....Ciara Reed-Kimball
Selection.....Bro. Sed Marsh (Forever)
Eulogy.....Pastor Andre L. Coffee

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