



Edward L. Dennis

March 20, 1943 - March 10, 2020

Edward Lee Dennis was born in Sumpter, South Carolina, Rembert County on March 20, 1943, to the late George Sr. and Mattie (Richardson) Dennis. He was affectionately known as the “baby boy.” Edward (Ed) was educated in the Chester Upland School District in Chester, Pennsylvania, and graduated from Chester High School in 1963. The same year he met the love of his life, Sylvia Diane Dennis, and began employment with Crown Foundry. In 1964, Ed became gainfully employed with the Chrysler Corporation at the assembly plant located in Newark, Delaware. Then in 1965, Ed was drafted to the Vietnam War. However, after completing boot camp and waiting to be deployed, Ed and Sylvia wedded in holy matrimony in Elkton, Maryland, on November 20, 1965. A month later, Ed began serving with the 82nd airborne infantry division in the United States Army, specializing in parachute assault operations until 1967. Upon returning home to Chester, PA, Ed returned to Chrysler Corporation and held several positions. Eventually, Ed received a promotion of Supervisor at a time when few African Americans were offered management opportunities because of his high standard of professionalism and dedicated work ethics. In June of 1969, Ed and Sylvia welcomed their first son, Marc. Then again, in May 1973, they welcomed their second son Troy. Family was one of the most critical influences in Ed’s life, which also gave him the greatest joy. He took his responsibilities of being a protector and provider to heart. More importantly, Ed accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior and was baptized in 1974 at Mount Pleasant Baptist Church (MPBC) under

the leadership of Reverend Dr. Levi Baldwin, Jr. He was a member of the MPBC male choir and a dedicated trustee for many years. As a newly retiree in 2002, Ed attempted to relax but reentered the workforce as an entrepreneurial, owning a vending business the Pretzel Place at the Philadelphia Airport. Ed was an upbeat and fun-loving person who was also “his brother keeper.” He was often concerned about his fellow man, always offering a helping hand, a ride, or a laugh. As well, he enjoyed eating breakfast, sharing meals, and talking “trash” with his two older brothers who were also his best friends.

As we celebrate the life and legacy of Edward Lee Dennis, we want to acknowledge the fruits of his labor coupled with the promises of God that resulted in his two sons marrying their beautiful spouses and the birth of four more blessings. Ed leaves to cherish his memory, his beautiful wife, Sylvia Diane Dennis. Children, Marc Edward Dennis (Erika) of Wilmington, DE, Troy Anthony Dennis (Angela) New Castle, DE, Jessica Giddings (special niece), and Jeffrey Giddings (special nephew) of Mount Carmel, PA. Grandchildren, Tyler Anthony Dennis, Taryn Diane Dennis, Madison Elizabeth Dennis, and Marc “Chip” Edward Dennis, II. Three siblings, Naomi Hunter of Chester, PA, brother George Dennis, Sr. (Linda) of Chester, and brother James Dennis of Wilmington, DE. Brother-in law William (Butchie) Pierce of Atlanta Georgia and Sister-in Laws Yvonne Dennis of New Castle, DE, Mildred MacDonald and Marie Pierce (Peaches) of Los Angeles, CA, his faithful and trusted companion Neptune, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family, and friends.

Cemetery Details

PRIVATE

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 17. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church
101 Washington Avenue
Twin Oaks, PA 19014

Service

MAR 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Edward L. Dennis*

October 07, 2023 at 11:34 AM



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October 04, 2023 at 12:55 PM