



Elder Otheo J. Savage

January 11, 1932 - October 12, 2023

Rev. Otheo J. Savage was born on January 11, 1932, in Chester, Pennsylvania. He was the son of Otheo G. Savage Sr. and Alice Savage. He was the brother of Evelyn Womack. Rev. Otheo J. Savage was educated in the Chester Upland School District. After graduating from high school, he enlisted in the United States Army for three years. During his military enlistment, he married his childhood sweetheart Elaine Brown.

From his union with Elaine, God blessed them with a beautiful, sweet, caring daughter, Sandra K. Pittman (Andrew Pittman). He was the grandfather of Dr. Deborah Gibbs-Tapper (Leroy Tapper) and Dr. Stephanie Gibbs-Emenaka (Obinna Emenaka) and great-grandfather of Xavier Lee Tapper, Kyle Emenaka, and Mason Emenaka.

In 1968 Rev. Otheo J. Savage joined Mt. Zion United Holy Disciple Church under the pastorate of Elder Alexander J. Pyatt. Thereafter, he became a trustee by the executive board of the church and was ordained a Deacon, and elected Vice Chairman of the Deacon Board. While Rev. Otheo J. Savage served as the Financial Secretary, he received a divine call and was inspired to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Rev. Otheo J. Savage studied four and a half years at the Howard O. Jamison Bible Institute in Philadelphia, PA. Subsequently, he received his evangelist

license and was ordained an Elder by the Board of Presbytery of the Northern District Convocation in Towson, Maryland.

In July 1992, Rev. Otheo J. Savage was elected by the members of Mt. Zion United Holy Disciple Church and was appointed by the Northern District Convocation, of the United Holy Church of America to become pastor of Mt. Zion United Holy Disciple Church. He served as the pastor of the Mt. Zion United Holy Disciple Church until his retirement on July 24, 2023. Despite his retirement, Rev. Savage could be found every Sunday at Mt. Zion United Holy Church prepared to conduct Sunday Morning Prayer.

During his free time, he loved telling old war stories, eating his favorite foods, watching television, spending time with his great- grandchildren, and simply sitting on the porch and speaking to everyone who passed by his front door. He always had a smile on his face, would freely offer a few words of advice, and always would talk about the LORD. Some of his favorite sayings were: “I love him today, don’t you” and “we are small in number, but big in heart”.

Rev. Otheo J. Savage has gone to be with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. However, he leaves a legacy of showing others the importance of service, dedication, and commitment to “Kingdom Building”.

Cemetery Details

Rolling Green Memorial Park

1008 West Chester Pike
West Chester, PA 19382

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **23**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Zion United Holy Disciple Church
1027 Central Avenue
Chester, PA 19013

Visitation

OCT **24**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Pentecostal Holy Church
324 Pusey Street
Chester, PA 19013

Service

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Tribute Wall

RR

“ Ms Elaine and Sandra my Heart and thoughts will be with you through it All. God knows your Dad (Mr Savage) as I always called him will be missed by so many who knew and loved him. I am at the top of that list. It was my greatest pleasure knowing him for 61 years of my Life.

Sleep Peacefully Reverend

Savage.

Love Roslyn (Shodie) and The Rainey Family

Roslyn Rainey - October 23, 2023 at 02:15 PM

TW

“ The W. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elder Otheo J. Savage.

The W. - October 21, 2023 at 11:27 AM

MS

“ Mr. Savage was my neighbor on Upland St. He always said hello and had kind words of inspiration to share. His genuine smile would lighted up your heart and day, leaving a lasting positive and powerful expression. He will be truly missed sitting on his porch greeting everyone with words of encouragements.

Ms. Polly Smith - October 18, 2023 at 06:28 AM

MB

Elder Savage was the father of my best friend in Pa and the Asst Pastor at the church I attended, while living there. Since I was in Pa with minimal family, he and his wife accepted me into the fold. I have kept in touch with them since moving back to Va, and was deeply saddened to hear of his passing. I'm sure that sincere smile will be missed at the places he frequented on a regular basis. I hope they will remember "The Rev" fondly...

Minervia Berry - October 21, 2023 at 05:28 PM