



## Percy Carter

August 31, 1923 - January 7, 2022

### His Life Journey

Percy Carter, 98 years old, was born on August 31, 1923 to the late Charles and Bessie [nee Childs] Carter in Chester, Pennsylvania and peacefully entered into eternal rest on January 7, 2022, in Middletown Delaware surrounded by family.

Percy, nicknamed Jake, grew up in a loving family as the youngest of four siblings. He was educated in the Chester Public School System and had fond memories of the teachers at Douglass School.

He enlisted in the United States Army and served in World War II 1943-1946. He was honorably discharged with the rank of Technician Fifth Grade.

Soon after returning home, he met the love of his life and married Mary Esther [nee Tankard] in March 1949 that began a journey of love and devotion, lasting for more than 46 years when she suddenly passed away in 1995. He was blessed to father three daughters, Patricia, Susan and Judy.

Percy accepted the Lord and united with Macedonia Seventh Day Adventist Church where he was known as one of the pillars of the church serving as a faithful Deacon. He and his wife gave individuals Bible Studies and was

instrumental in leading many souls to Christ.

He was self-employed as a skilled mason and also operated a janitorial business. He had a strong work ethic and enjoyed staying active.

Percy loved his birthplace, Chester, and dedicated many years as a foreman working for the City of Chester retiring at the age of 55. After retiring from the City, he began working for Chester Housing Authority as a Maintenance Supervisor until the age of 71.

Eight years ago, he came to live in the home of his daughter Susan and son in love Herb. He made many new friends and enjoyed life there. He was a blessing to their home and to everyone who entered there with his wit and personality.

Percy was known for his style of fashion, friendliness, caring quality and his sense of humor. He loved everyone, never spoke negative about anyone, and was loved by all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his parents Charles and Bessie Carter; Wife Mary nee Tankard; siblings Maylor James, Charles Carter, and Mary Gaddis.

He leaves to cherish his memory Daughters Patricia Williams [Robert deceased] of Brookhaven PA, Susan Coe [Herbert] of Middletown DE, and Judith Carter of Chester, PA; nine grandchildren Byron Carter [Donna], Wallingford, PA; Carolyn Suzette McMillan, Claymont DE; Waldo McMillan Jr [Amanda], Upper Marlboro MD; Wendy Alleyne [Brian], Wilmington DE; Weldon McMillan, Harlem NY; Herbert Coe Jr, Middletown DE; Robert Williams [Jody], Rochester NY; Chandler Williams [Tracy], Burlington NJ; and Athena Coleman, Chester PA. He is also survived by twenty great grandchildren, many nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of friends.



# Cemetery Details

## Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery

2465 Chesapeake City Road  
Bear, DE 19701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

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

St. Daniels United Methodist Church  
315 Edwards Street  
Chester, PA 19013

## Service

JAN 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Percy Carter*

October 07, 2023 at 11:34 AM



“ *Percy Carter*

October 04, 2023 at 12:55 PM



“ *Christine Obwogi lit a candle in memory of Percy Carter*



**Christine Obwogi** - January 15, 2022 at 02:56 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Percy Carter.*



January 14, 2022 at 08:41 PM

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“ Uncle Jake where do I began, I spent years in your home coming up, I remember going to work to clean the offices with you, Aunt Shug took a liking to me and always made me fill at home, I remember when I was grown and made some beef yak and you loved it, from then on every time you saw me you would ask when I was going to make more. I love you and now you can rejoice in Heaven with your Wife Aunt Shug and your siblings, Silky, Mary, And John Sleep in Heavenly Peace Your Niece Sonya 🙏🌹💔

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**Sonya Graves** - January 14, 2022 at 04:22 PM

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“ Mr. Jake as I knew him ,was around my entire family and neighborhood , ever since I came into this world. Rest In Peace .

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**Calvin Laws** - January 13, 2022 at 03:04 PM