



## Calvin Billingsley

March 24, 1956 - June 22, 2014

Calvin Billingsley was born in Chambers County, AL on March 24, 1956, to the parentage of the late Annie Grace Billingsley. He received his high school education at Lanier High School in Lanett, Alabama. He also obtained an Associates Degree from Meadows College in Columbus, GA. He professed Christ at an early age and was baptized at New Canaan Missionary Baptist Church (Camp Hill, AL). He faithfully fulfilled his calling, serving Christ and his church as a Deacon and Sunday School teacher at Locust Grove Baptist Church (Columbus, GA). Knowing the immense cost of freedom, Calvin served his country with distinction and honor as a Sergeant in the United States Army. He joined the U.S. Army in 1974, at the age of 17. His military career carried him many places, and in every assignment, he made positive and lasting contributions to the soldiers entrusted in his care. He retired from the armed services in 1984 and began his career in civil service for the military at Ft. Benning, GA. He continued his career in civil service and he mentored other veterans by sharing his story. Calvin remained active, while touching and impacting lives through devoted service in and around his church, community and family. On July 29, 2006, he was united in marriage to Mattie (Mitchell) Billingsley. They have shared a wonderful 15 years together. He was the love of her life. Calvin was equally serious and gregarious. He was stern, but jovial, and engaging to all. He didn't meet any strangers. His integrity, leadership, strength, determination, guidance, and humor will be greatly missed. His service to his community, men, country and family is

greatly appreciated. His love for his children was immense, and his love for his grandchildren was immeasurable. Calvin was a loving father, husband, grandfather and a friend to all. He departed this life on June 22, 2014, at his residence in Marietta, GA, surrounded by his loving family. He was preceded in death by his mother, Annie Grace Billingsley, siblings Tommy Billingsley, James Billingsley, Jimmy Billingsley, Shirley Ann Billingsley and Annie Billingsley. He leaves to mourn, his wife Mattie Faye Billingsley; his children Mrs. Valerie (James) Daniels of Powder Springs, GA, Ms. Charlotte Lynch of Dothan, AL, Ms. Jessica Billingsley of Bryans Road, MD, Mr. James Larkins of Houston, TX, Mr. Calvin Lemuel (Elaine) Billingsley of Norfolk, VA, Ms. Syretta (Devon) Larkins of Atlanta, GA, his seven grandchildren Patrick Daniels, Ari Daniels, Calvin L. K. Billingsley, Alexander Billingsley, Angel Billingsley, Arius Larkins, Brandon Larkins, Cornelius Larkins and Jakyma Larkins, Jamarrie Larkins, his siblings Mrs. Linda (William) Acres, of Lanett, AL, Widowed Mrs. Angie Billingsley (widow of Tommy Billingsley) of Lanett, AL, Mr. Joey (Vikki) Billingsley of Hinesville, GA, Mr. Sammy (Susan) Billingsley of Columbus, GA, Mrs. Angela (Christopher) McFarlin of Valley, AL, Mr. David (Adrine) Billingsley of Phenix City, AL, Mr. LaShon (Pam) Billingsley of Hinesville, GA, Mr. Nathaniel (Valerie) Billingsley of Madrid, Spain, his two uncles Mr. Roy Huguley of Detroit, MI and Mr. Booker T. Huguley of Camphill, AL, his beloved Goddaughter Ms. Shanpre' Moody and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. Grief can be so hard, but our special memories help us cope during this most difficult time. May Jehovah, the God of all comfort and the love of your family give you the strength you need to endure. ( 2 Corinth.1:3,4)

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**Janet** - June 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ My sincere condolences to the family and friends of Mr. Calvin Billingsley. Although I did not know your loved one personally, in the reading the words about Mr. Billingsley, you can see what a loving, caring and dedicated person he was. His loss will be felt even greater and by so many others because of this. I truly hope in the day ahead, besides the memories you have, that you will also gain comfort from the words of our Heavenly Father. He is aware of your pain and is here to comfort you (2 Corinthians 1:3,4). He also holds out wonderful promises concerning our deceased ones at John 5:28,29 and Revelation 21:3,4. To be assured by our Creator, Jehovah, that we will be able to see and welcome back our departed ones, such as Calvin, can give you the needed strength to continue on. I pray that his words as well as the loving support of family and friends will sustain you during this difficult time.

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**X Holl** - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM