



Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball

February 12, 1946 - December 28, 2023

Dr. Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball ascended this world the morning of Thursday, December 28, 2023 in Fulton County, GA.

Errol was born on February 12, 1946, in Colón, Republic of Panamá. Errol was entrusted to parents Ernestine Newball and Emilio Archbold

Errol was known for being an adventurous, curious and gregarious young man, aspiring to venture out into the world and discover his calling. Errol graduated from Paraiso High School, Class of 1964, located in Paraiso, in the former Panama Canal Zone. He would move to the United States to attend Florida Memorial College, one of the first historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs) in Florida, where he graduated in 1968. Errol excelled in his college academics, became a member of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., as well as participated in several extracurricular activities, including the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and others. He would return home for a brief time before returning to the U.S. to continue his studies.

Errol enrolled in Purdue University to study biology, achieving a master's degree in 1972. He came to the Atlanta University in Atlanta, Georgia to complete his Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Biology in 1976. After completion of his doctoral studies, Errol would fulfill his calling as a faculty member in the

Biology Department at Morehouse College, where he taught molecular genetics and conducted laboratory research while serving as a primary investigator across several major research initiatives.

Errol was a friend, confidant and comforter to many. Errol celebrated his Panamanian heritage and Black culture with family and friends, while inspiring a sense of curiosity about the world. He stood as a model of intellectual activism and nurtured a love for adventure with those he loved. He deeply enjoyed his activities and time with friends and family in the Atlanta Underwater Explorers, a SCUBA diving club based in Atlanta, Georgia, with whom he would travel the world.

Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball is preceded in death by his mother, Ernestine Newball; his father, Emilio Archbold; and his sister Dora Carlina Archbold. Errol is survived by his loving wife of 20 years, Elpidia Sanchez; his son, Errol; his daughters, Estelle, Elizabeth, Enada and Elisha, and their mother, Estelle Finley; his stepdaughter and her loving family, Thalia, Doel and Anastacia Sotero; grandchildren, Dahlia, Diallo, Charity, Aaron and Joshua; great grandchildren, Kaiden and Ava Rose; two daughters-in-law, Michelle Wilson and Gi'Anna Henderson; two sons-in-law, Daniel Cooper and Adrian Wilson; brothers, Alonzo Archbold Newball, James Archbold Newball, and Juan Archbold Newball; and a host of extended family members and beloved friends.

Errol's family and friends carry loving memories of him and many of his gifts with us, as his legacy.

Acknowledgements

The family of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball would like to express our sincerest gratitude for your many acts of kindness during his illness and

subsequent passing. Your prayers, love and empathy are greatly appreciated and cherished. Your presence with us has honored his life. May God return to you, in full measure, the comfort and care which you have given to us.

We are particularly grateful for the outreach and support of current and previous Morehouse College and Morehouse School of Medicine colleagues, along with his dear friends from the Atlanta Underwater Explorers Scuba Dive Club. Finally, we express our deepest appreciation to members of the staff of the Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home for their service and care of our family.

Celebration of Life (Memorial Service) will be held on Friday, January 5, 2024 12:00 PM at our South Dekalb Chapel 4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy., Decatur, GA 30034. In lieu of flowers we invite you to reach out to the family directly to share your condolences. Services entrusted to Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

CP

“*Errol had been telling us that he'd build a house of his own design and enjoy his retirement. I truly thought he would have many many years of happy retirement.*

I couldn't hold my tears. We, the bioinformatics group at Morehouse, worked so closely together for a good many years! I have so many stories to share about how kind he was to all of us.

On one trip we bioinformatics group traveled to San Diego. We rented a car and I was the designated driver for most of the time. We truly enjoyed the conference as well as the food and local attractions in San Diego. Toward the end, we had to drop Dr. Ng so that he could go back to Los Angeles. As usual, as I have always been, the moment we dropped off Dr. Ng, I immediately hit the gas pedal and ready to head off for our last day of final touring San Diego before we returned to the rental car. It was then, right at that moment, it was Errol, who stopped me. "Chuang, let's make sure everything is alright with Dr. Ng before we leave". We all waited until Dr. Ng checked in and waved at us signaling everything was fine.

This is Errol, every minute, he is always thinking of, and taking care of others.

I'm really sad, I'll miss him very much! Or see him soon somewhere in the sky

*Chuang,
Morehouse College*

Chuang Peng - February 14, 2024 at 10:01 PM

EA

Thank you for sharing this story. It truly means a lot!! Estelle Elena Archibold (Errol's Eldest Daughter)

Estelle Archibold - February 17, 2024 at 06:29 PM

RS

“ *Error was my friend and colleague. We shared many memories and triumphs at Morehouse. He was a superb scientist and dedicated teacher. Please accept my heartfelt condolences. Ron Sheehy*

Ronald Sheehy - January 06, 2024 at 12:29 PM

EA

Thank you Dr. Sheehy!! I remember all of the days I spent (as a little girl) with the two of you. Thank you for your friendship to my father and his family.

Estelle Archibold - February 17, 2024 at 06:30 PM

DB

“ *May your light continue to shine bright. You will be missed. Peace and blessings.*

My condolences to all of your loved ones from me and my family

Debra Butler

Debra Butler - January 05, 2024 at 10:20 AM

EA

Thank you Debra for your message and condolences!

Estelle Archibold - April 18, 2024 at 07:24 AM

LR

“ *Lisa Fuller and Andrea Fuller Ruffin purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.*



Lisa Fuller and Andrea Fuller Ruffin - January 04, 2024 at 11:30 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.*



January 04, 2024 at 03:08 PM



“ *Nicole H. & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.*

Nicole H. & Family - January 04, 2024 at 03:08 PM



“ *Hector A. Tomlinso -SixSigma StaCruz-Gmba purchased the White Poinsettia for the family of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.*



Hector A. Tomlinso -SixSigma StaCruz-Gmba - January 04, 2024 at 12:18 PM



“ *Hector A. Tomlinso -SixSigma StaCruz-Gmba planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.*

Hector A. Tomlinso -SixSigma StaCruz-Gmba - January 04, 2024 at 12:18 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.



January 04, 2024 at 11:59 AM



“ From Dwayne and Simona Wright and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.

From Dwayne and Simona Wright and Family - January 04, 2024 at 11:59 AM



“ Virginia J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.

Virginia J. - January 03, 2024 at 07:43 PM



“ Diane and David Farmer. purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.



Diane and David Farmer. - January 03, 2024 at 06:24 PM

DF

“ From: Diane and David Farmer. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.

Diane and David Farmer. - January 03, 2024 at 06:24 PM

MA

“ Elisha:

Thinking of you and your family — and sending love across the miles.

Marliese



Marliese - January 03, 2024 at 05:44 PM

JB

“ I'm so sorry to hear of your father's passing, Elisha. My heart is with you and your family. Jane Bomengen

Jane Bomengen - January 03, 2024 at 12:49 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.



January 03, 2024 at 12:27 PM

MT

“ Melanie Berg on behalf of the UKG Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.

Melanie Berg on behalf of the UKG Team - January 03, 2024 at 12:27 PM

MB

“ Elisha, We're thinking of you at this difficult time. Melanie Berg on behalf of the UKG Team.

Melanie Berg - January 03, 2024 at 12:24 PM

VJ

My deepest sympathy to Cousin Elisha and her family. Your dad's leaves an amazing legacy.

Virginia Bickham Jefferson - January 03, 2024 at 05:20 PM

DC

“ Department of Biology, Morehouse College purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.



Department of Biology, Morehouse College - January 03, 2024 at 11:41 AM

TS

“ The Thomas J. Blocker Society purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.



The Thomas J. Blocker Society - January 03, 2024 at 10:43 AM

TS

“ *The Thomas J. Blocker Society planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.*

The Thomas J. Blocker Society - January 03, 2024 at 10:43 AM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Errol Ricardo Archibold Newball.*



January 03, 2024 at 08:38 AM