



# Harvey Tharpe

December 12, 2022

Harvey Jeffrice Tharp was born June 13, 1944, to the late Frank J. Tharp and Moddie B. Tharp in Memphis, Tenn. He departed this earthly life on December 12, 2022.

Harvey was one of eight children and proceeded in death by Robert Tharp and Eva Tharp-Gill. Harvey received Christ at an early age and loved the LORD. Harvey always lit up any room he stepped in. He was voted “Friendliest” in high school and loved being in social environments and showing off his dance moves. After graduating from Douglass High School Harvey attended and graduated from LeMoyne-Owen College with a Bachelor of Science degree.

Harvey was a faithful servant of the LORD always putting JESUS first. He served as a Deacon in his brother Robert’s church for many years in Memphis, Tenn. where he loved teaching and spreading the WORD along with being a counselor that looked past people faults to see their needs. Harvey is also known for his dedication to both the Shelby County Corrections Faulty and to FedEx where he worked until retiring.

Harvey met his wife Cynthia Tharp while they were coworkers at a nonprofit organization dedicated to sickle cell anemia and to this union a daughter Megan Tharp was born. Harvey had two other children from previous

relationships, Candice Tharp and Edward Thurman.

Harvey had many passions which included playing and watching golf and watching his favorite football team the Washington Commanders (formerly known as the Redskins). He also loved playing spades, bid whist, blackjack, chess, pinochle and listening to music.

Harvey leaves to cherish his memories his wife Cynthia Tharp; two daughters Candice Ivory and Megan Washington; one son Edward Thurman and one son in-law Donald Washington; granddaughters Jada and Krystal Ward and Emeri Thurman; grandson Joshua Washington; great-granddaughters Lola and Neriah Mitchell; his mother Moddie Tharp; one brother John Tharp; three sisters Anita Moore, Stella (Larry) Walker and Cynthia Baker; and a host of nieces, nephews, family members and friends.

Harvey will forever be remembered as family-oriented man, a dedicated servant for the LORD, a giving and generous soul and for his favorite saying "IT IS WHAT IT IS".

2 Chronicles 7:14 – if my people, which are called by name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.