



John Arthur Cuffie

June 24, 1952 - September 4, 2015

REMEMBERING THE LIFE.....

John Arthur Cuffie was born to Jimmie Lou and the late Felton Cuffie on June 24th, 1952 in Sylvester, Ga. He graduated from Worth County High in 1971. He joined Davis Grove Baptist Church. While attending high school, John achieved many firsts. He was one of the few Black students to integrate Worth County High in the late 60's. John was the star of the Worth County football team and was considered the best running back in the county. He was the first Black football player on the high school team and the first Black student to be awarded a 4 year university athletic scholarship. John was committed to the protection of civil rights. He delayed high school graduation by 1 year as a result of his stand against racial injustice. His respect from others in the community was instrumental in encouraging other Blacks to integrate Worth County High.

John attended college at the University of Tennessee at Martin for two years until a career ending football injury. After leaving Tennessee he decided to continue his education at Albany State University where he received a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration in 1977. It was while attending Albany State that he became interested in the world of technology which would later be a major part of his professional life.

In 1979 he moved to Atlanta, Ga where he met the love of his life Gwen Dunham. They married in 1981 and were together for 34 years. From this union was born two children. He joined New Life Presbyterian Church in College Park, Ga in 1985 and resided in Oxford Ga at the time of his death.

John had an exemplary career with the City of Atlanta for 20 years. He began as a computer programmer and later became the Director of the Bureau of Management and Information Systems. After 20 years with the city he decided to become a full time entrepreneur and focus on his business -- Cuffie Technology Solutions. John also was a member of The Cuffie Law Firm, owned by his brother Thomas Cuffie, for over 20 years where he served various roles including Operations Manager and Technology Manager. In 1998 John became an elected board member for the Credit Union of Atlanta and served with dedication until 2014. He was Vice Chairman for 5 years, Chairman of the Technology Committee for 10 years and a Member of the Credit Committee for 10 years.

John was a number one Atlanta Falcon football fan. During football season he never missed a falcon's game whether attending in person or watching on television. He was a season ticket holder for over 20 years and everyone who knew John also knew of his passion and belief that the Falcons would one day win the super bowl.

John leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Gwen; children: John Alex (Syeeta) Cuffie, Dunwoody, GA, and Nicholas Cuffie, Oxford, GA; seven sisters: Dorothy Smith, Stockbridge, Ga, Laverne Williams (Henry), Sylvester, Ga, Beverly Cuffie, Duluth, Ga, Abigail Cuffie Rhodes, Ellenwood, Ga, Jacquelyn Cuffie, Clarkston, Ga, Sharon Harris (Keith), Sylvester, Ga, Karon Paul, Clarkston, Ga; three brothers: Samuel Cuffie (Iris), Toledo, OH, Thomas Cuffie (Kaneta), Atlanta, GA, Cedric Cuffie, Atlanta, Ga; other sister-in-laws, Sharon McMillian (William), Cary,NC, Cassandra Harris (Michael), Columbus,

GA; other brother-in-law, Sam Dunham, Columbus, GA; a host of nieces, nephews, friends and relatives. He was preceded in death by his sister, Alvera Rhodes.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **10**. 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rockdale Chapel
1999 Hwy 138 SE
Conyers, GA 30013
(770) 285-6673

Family Hour

SEP **10**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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1999 Hwy 138 SE
Conyers, GA 30013
(770) 285-6673

Service

SEP **11**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Saint Philip AME Church
240 Candler Rd SE
Atlanta, GA 30317

Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of John Arthur Cuffie.*



September 12, 2015 at 07:08 AM



“ *The God of all comfort assures us: your dear will live... they will rise up.
(Isaiah 26:19)*

Jesus confirmed his role in this promise when he said: I am

the resurrection and the life.

the one who exercises faith in me, even though he dies will come to life.

(John 11:25)

My condolences to you all

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B Anderson - September 11, 2015 at 12:48 PM



“ *The Kimberly-Clark IMC Family purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of John Arthur Cuffie.*



The Kimberly-Clark IMC Family - September 10, 2015 at 05:00 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of John Arthur Cuffie.



September 10, 2015 at 04:57 PM



“ My deepest sympathy goes out to my friend Gwen and her sons. I am Praying for friends to comfort you, faith to uphold you, and loving memories to help you smile again.



Your Dear Friend,
Lillie

Lillie M Hill - September 10, 2015 at 03:49 PM



“ My sincere condolences to the family. I worked with him for a few years and he was always a very nice man, genuine and caring. I am certain that he will be missed by family and friends. May you all find comfort in loving memories.

Sincerely,
Eleanor Dawkins Gantt

Eleanor - September 10, 2015 at 03:24 PM

RS

“ Sending my condolences to the family...I meet him just twice and feel like I lost a family member....he was a very friendly person and he will truly be missed....
.Mrs. Cuffie stay strong and I will be praying for you and the entire family....Rochelle Smith

Rochelle Smith - September 09, 2015 at 08:24 PM

ZS

“ Zulma S. purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of John Arthur Cuffie.



Zulma S. - September 09, 2015 at 05:38 PM

TS

“ I am very sorry to hear about the passing of John. I played football with him in high school, and have many good memories of those special times. I am praying for his family and friends at this difficult time. Tommy Snipes

Tommy Snipes - September 09, 2015 at 05:03 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Arthur Cuffie.



September 09, 2015 at 04:43 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of John Arthur Cuffie.*



September 09, 2015 at 04:17 PM



“ *I extend condolences and encouragement to the family and friends of Mr. Cuffie. The "God of all comfort" promises to restore life to ones who fall asleep in death (Isaiah 26:19). Keep in mind that "God sent his only-begotten Son into the world so that we might gain life through him." (1John 4:9). God is faithful...*

B. Parks - September 09, 2015 at 11:59 AM



“ *From all of us at Lincoln Property Company purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John Arthur Cuffie.*



From all of us at Lincoln Property Company - September 09, 2015 at 09:05 AM



“ *I first met Uncle John at the Washington DC family reunion this past July. I am so Blessed to have met him. He was a fun, hilarious man. RIH!!!*

Ta-Tanisha Westmoreland-Cuffie - September 09, 2015 at 05:32 AM

FA

“ *Floretta Armstrong lit a candle in memory of John Arthur Cuffie*



Floretta Armstrong - September 08, 2015 at 04:31 PM

FA

May he rest in the arms of Jesus. I pray for the peace that passes all understanding for you Gwen and family that our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ can bring you in this hour of need. I am praying for the whole family..

Floretta Armstrong - September 08, 2015 at 04:35 PM

RS

“ *May you find comfort in the words found at John 11:25,26 and Revelation 21:3,4. These scriptures can strengthen and comfort you during your time of bereavement.*

R. Sweatman - September 07, 2015 at 07:16 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc. - September 05, 2015 at 04:37 PM