



Larry Wells

July 19, 1948 - March 5, 2025

Larry Wells, 77, of Atlanta, Ga., passed away Wednesday March 5th, 2025 in Atlanta, Georgia. Larry was born in Tarrytown, GA on July 19th, 1948. He was the 9th child of 14 siblings born to Albert and Katie Wells of Tarrytown, GA. Although born in the middle of a busy, hardworking, sharecropping family without running water and electricity, Larry was a very inquisitive boy and found time to read books and magazines every chance he had. He graduated high school and enlisted in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War. He left the Navy with an honorable discharge in 1970. Then spent 2 years in the Navy Reserves. Larry attended Georgia State University where he obtained a B.S. Degree in Biology with a focus on Microbiology.

One of his research endeavor at the University involved the development of a special type of yeast that could breakdown oil in the ocean in the event of an oil spill. Next, he was employed as a research scientist at Morehouse School of Medicine where the research involved describing how the body creates energy in the cell's Mitochondria DNA.

And finally Larry was hired by the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention to work with other scientists on an unknown disease that was killing thousands around the world. That disease was eventually known as HIV. One of Larry's duties was to train individual scientists from around the world on how to maintain the HIV virus specimen in the laboratory for their research in their country. He was very proud of his work at CDC and his CDC family.

Larry was preceded in death by his beauty daughter Angela Michelle Wells.

Larry is survived by his loving wife Sheree (“The Babe”) and their two sons, Christopher Ian Wells and Brantley Adrian Wells, his daughters, Pamela Wells-Cistrunk (Frankie), and Toyette Proctor. He was the proud grandfather of 7 grandchildren, Monquie Elaine Stanback, Layo Mark Stanback, Amani Kriseya Cistrunk, Imari Devin Cistrunk, Korey Shevon Cistrunk, Emmanuel Shemar Cistrunk, Adrianna Wells; and 9 great grandchildren- Chance, Caleb, Chase, Lainya, Layo, Levi, Leland, Liviya, and Ryleigh.

Larry enjoyed writing short stories, reading, world history and politics, and long walks on the beach and in parks with “The Babe”.

Service entrusted to Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home, 4347 Flat Shoals Parkway, Decatur, Georgia 30043

Previous Events

Memorial Celebration of Life Service

APR **11**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

New Birth Missionary Baptist Church
6400 Woodrow Rd
Stonecrest, GA 30038-2437
(770) 696-9600

Tribute Wall



“ *Larry was always a person of loving kindness and filled with words of wisdom. He will be truly missed. Much love to the family. Calvin & Kim Harris* ”



Kim Harris - April 11, 2025 at 10:10 AM