



Luther Clarence Patton

July 17, 1923 - November 30, 2012

Services for Mr. Luther Clarence Patton will be held Friday December 7, 2012 at 12 Noon at the Cascade United Methodist Church. 3144 Cascade Road Southwest, Atlanta, GA 30311. In lieu of Flowers, please make donations to Tougaloo College in the memory of Mr. Luther Clarence Patton.

Luther Clarence Patton's Obituary Luther Patton was the oldest of seven children, born to Houston and Gracie Patton. Although only a teenager when his father died, along with his mother, Luther became the backbone of the family. He supported his mother in every way to ensure each of his younger siblings attained their undergraduate degrees. After graduating high school, Luther enlisted in the armed services. He served two tours of duty in World War II. Always supportive of his family, he re-enlisted for the second tour so that his sisters could complete their college education. After his Army tour, he went back to school on the G. I. Bill and graduated from Tougaloo College with a Bachelor's Degree. He continued his education at the University of Chicago where he earned his Master's Degree in Social Work. He was a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Luther began his professional career as a social worker for the state of Illinois. He worked at the state level for several years. He later decided to move to the federal level where he continued his profession in the field of social work. As a form of relaxation, Luther enjoyed fishing with his son, nephews, nieces, family, and friends. Shortly after Luther and his wife moved to Atlanta, his son surprised him with his own boat, not an easy task to keep secret, but his son, Luther

Charles, with the help of other relatives was successful in keeping it a surprise. Luther also enjoyed playing golf with family and friends. His love of golf spanned over 50 years. Luther also enjoyed tournaments where he pushed himself to improve his game. He was a classic handyman. Luther was always using his creative talents to improve life for his family. Furthermore, Luther appreciated the intrinsic joy of serving his community. He gladly served as a Scoutmaster in the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) in Chicago impacting the lives of many including his son and grandson. Because of his exposure to scouting, his son developed a love for engineering and made it into a career. Additionally, his grandson earned his Eagle Scout Badge. In addition to community service, Luther served in several church capacities at Cascade United Methodist Church, including the Board of Trustees during the move to the church's current location. He was also a member of the Celebration of Life Ministry and the Older Adults-Torchbearers Ministry. Luther is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 60 years, Dorothy, a son Luther Charles (Gayla), Tempe, AZ, grandson, Luther III, Atlanta, GA, and granddaughter, Amy, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ. Sisters: Olivia Johnson (Eddie, Hon.), Chicago, IL Essie Brown (Joseph), San Jose, CA Ella Marcus (George), Fresno, CA He was preceded in death by a sister, Vivian Page, Greenville, MS Brothers: Ernest (Carolyn), Clovis, CA Houston, Hon. (Johnnie), Jackson, MS Brothers-in-law: Dr. Mathew Page, Greenville, MS Rayburne Lawrence (Carolyn), Chicago, IL Sisters-in-law: Lillian Thomas, Pasadena, CA Rubielee Addison, Clemson, S. C. and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Tribute Wall

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“ To the Patton Family and Friends; I know how difficult this time must be for you. May the light from God's word the bible be a guide and comfort through the darkness of your loss. John 5:28,29 gives hope of a future resurrection and Rev 21:3,4 of a day when there will be no more death, mourning or pain.. Jesus at John 11:11 said to his disciples..Lazarus our friend has gone to rest, but I am journeying there to awaken him from sleep. We can have faith in these promises..because our God Jehovah (Psalm 83:18)who promised these things...cannot lie..Hebrews 6:18. Please know that Mr. Patton is sleeping as was Lazarus and not suffering (Ecclesiastes 9:5) My prayers are with you as God strengthens you in the days ahead.Warm Christian Love; Browns Mill Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

Bonnie Perkins - December 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ TO THE PATTON FAMILY:MAY YOUR FAITH IN GOD KEEP YOU STRONG DURING THIS TIME.LOVE, ANNIE AND DORIANN

DORIANN R. THOMAS - December 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sincere condolences for your loss. May God comfort you during this difficult time.

K.Carney-Rev.21:4 - December 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *To the Family: May your faith in God's loving provision to restore dead ones to life continue to comfort you as you all look ahead to the fulfillment of Jesus' words recorded at John 11:25. He promises...I am the resurrection and the life. He that exercises faith in me, even though he dies, will come to life. Remember...God sent forth his only-begotten Son into the world that we might gain life through him. ~ 1 John 4:9.*

Beulah Parks - December 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM