



Lee Harold Reynolds

August 2, 1939 - August 23, 2022

Mr. Personality

A Spirit That Echoes Forever

Lee Harold Reynolds

A sound rippled through eternity the day Lee H. Reynolds was born. It may have been a mighty roar from a lion or a clangor of rain drops hitting the bottom of a well on August 2, 1939. His arrival into this world could not have been silent. He was the oldest child of Lena Pearl (Haynes) Reynolds and Harold J. Reynolds. A very proud “Grady Baby” from Atlanta, Georgia that never cloaked his humble beginnings in the shadows. Stockbridge, Georgia holds many of his childhood memories. He fetched water from a stream with a bucket not much smaller than him. He got caught eating vegetables in a neighbor's garden and even had his photo taken by a traveling photographer.

Lee spoke fondly of his summers in Atlantic City, NJ. He took the Jitney to and from work, where he recalled entering and exiting a back door for colored employees only. He never let the racism he faced get him down or too “bent out of shape”, as he used to say. He was transformative and grew like crescendos in a song. His relocation to Newark, New Jersey shifted his life forever. He attended Central High School, where he became one of the most

lionized students. Track and Field was his first love and basketball was a close second. Playing the trumpet gave him another way to dazzle anyone who would listen.

Some people think the dazzler can't be dazzled, but it happened the day Julietta Brydie joined Lee's class and sat at a desk in front of him. Let him tell it, her hair draped all the way down the back of her chair and on to his desk, preventing him from seeing his paper clearly. He had to continuously move her hair out of his way to get his work done. The now Mrs. Reynolds might have a slightly different story.

The pair continued their song and dance together as Lee followed in his father's footsteps and joined the Air Force in 1958. After basic training in San Antonio, Texas, they moved to Lincoln, Nebraska for a short period where their first daughter, Tonya Reynolds, was born. They returned to Newark, New Jersey, where his second daughter, Tia Reynolds, was born. Lee always made sure to provide any and everything he could for the wellness of his family.

He joined the Newark Police Department and served for 25 years. Lee was a Patrolman on the streets of Newark when the riots of 1967 broke out. His career as an officer added an official badge of honor to his heroic nature. Much of what he witnessed in his line of work became the underscoring of rules, regulations, and advice he equipped his children with to survive the harsh realities of life. He received an award for working with the Secret Service on guarding President Nixon when he arrived in Newark. Lee was later promoted to the detective unit working in Vice and Robbery and retired with that success under his invisible cape.

During his retirement, he worked as a Loss Prevention Supervisor at Home Depot in South Plainfield, New Jersey. He was one of two black employees to

hold that position in the entire eastern division of the Home Depot Corporation at that time.

Lee loved traveling to many destinations, including Europe and various islands throughout the Caribbean, with his friends as a founding member of the social club "The 8 of Us". The sound of a steel drum would light up his face and send a rhythmic tremor through his shoulders as he stepped into his next adventure. The Dominican Republic was his absolute favorite. We never stopped hearing about the Mangos there.

He leaves to mourn his wife of 64 years Julietta Reynolds; daughters, Tonya Reynolds and Tia Reynolds; granddaughters, Toshae Reynolds and Tanisa Reynolds-Francis; sister-in-law, Carol Bennett; nephews, Lawrence Reynolds II and Lawrence Reynolds III; niece, Monique Gaskins; cousins, Edward Milton Haynes, Stanley Reeves, and Chandra Wellmaker; honorary daughter, Melvanice Evans; and a host of other family and friends.

A Memorial Service will be held at 3:00 PM on Sunday, August 28, 2022 in the Loganville Chapel of Tim Stewart Funeral Home with Antonio Henson officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service. Arrangements by Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 670 Tom Brewer Road, Loganville, GA 30052. 770-466-1544. Please sign the online guest registry at www.stewartfh.com.

You may have sent a card, given us a call, or any other acknowledgement. The Reynolds Family thanks you for everything.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 28. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Tim Stewart Funeral Home Loganville
670 Tom Brewer Road
Loganville, GA 30052

memorial service

AUG 28. 3:00 PM (ET)

Chapel of Tim Stewart Funeral Home Loganville
670 Tom Brewer Rd.
Loganville, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Tim Stewart Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lee Harold Reynolds*



Tim Stewart Funeral Home - August 26, 2022 at 01:55 PM

LG

“ *I miss my big brother's voice,smile,encouragement and advice. Always in my heart. Lenny (cousin)and Lee my big brothers. Lee would say with a smile" now you know better".*

Lorraine Groce-Woodridge - August 28, 2023 at 12:59 PM



“ *Lee Harold Reynolds*

October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM

TR

“ *Everyday of my Life, i will miss you Dad. Im comforted knowing you are in the company of loved ones in Heaven 💕 Always and Forever, Your Chicken*

TJ Reynolds - September 08, 2022 at 09:57 AM

TH

“ You are forever in my heart. Your beaming smile and constant source of support, love and encouragement will always mean the world to me.

Toni Simmons Henson - August 30, 2022 at 04:10 AM

VT

“ Vernon D THOMPSON lit a candle in memory of Lee Harold Reynolds



Vernon D THOMPSON - August 28, 2022 at 02:49 PM

EC

“ Ellen Carter-Haygood lit a candle in memory of Lee Harold Reynolds



Ellen Carter-Haygood - August 28, 2022 at 02:29 PM

EC

“ Lee was the kind of person who made you smile every time you saw him. What a great neighbor and friend. Stan and I missed seeing him and Julietta when they left the neighborhood and was so delighted to talk with him on the phone calls we made. Stan misses the times of sitting in the garages and talking. To Julietta, we love you, pray for you and hope your strength in the Lord will keep you on your daily walk. We know that all will keep him alive forever through the many, many wonderful memories. We will also

Love and Condolences to the entire family,

*Stanley & Ellen Carter-Haygood
Plainfield, NJ*

Ellen Carter-Haygood - August 28, 2022 at 02:29 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lee Harold Reynolds.



August 26, 2022 at 03:11 PM



“ 69 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Tim Stewart Funeral Home - August 26, 2022 at 01:46 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of *Lee Harold Reynolds*.



August 26, 2022 at 10:16 AM

GM

“ My Brother,

On June 5, 1993 you were raised to become a Master Mason in Stone Square Lodge No. 38, Plainfield, NJ. Since that Beautiful First Saturday your Life was forever changed to being a Brother of the Most Ancient Brotherhood of all times. The Brothers of Stone Square Lodge No. 38 saw in you a Man of Men that could help lead this Lodge to greater heights and your present among us proves that. You will always be remembered as your Family call you "Mr. Personality". We thank you for the 29 years that you gave us, Although you moved away 7 years ago you never forgot us and that is Very Much Appreciated. Rest on My Brother you have Earned your Wings. Now you can sit on the Right Hand of our Father and lend a helping hand in that House not made with hands.

Fraternally,

*The Brothers of Stone Square Lodge No. 38 (PHA)
Plainfield, NJ*

George E Marshall - August 25, 2022 at 08:38 PM