

If—

Rudyard Kipling - 1865-1936

If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you;
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too;
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or, being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or, being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise;

If you can dream—and not make dreams your master;
If you can think—and not make thoughts your aim;
If you can meet with triumph and disaster
And treat those two impostors just the same;
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to broken,
And stoop and build 'em up with wornout tools;

If you can make one heap of all your winnings
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginnings
And never breathe a word about your loss;
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To serve your turn long after they are gone,
And so hold on when there is nothing in you
Except the Will which says to them: "Hold on";

If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with kings—nor lose the common touch;
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you;
If all men count with you, but none too much;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run—
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And—which is more—you'll be a Man, my son!

Flower Bearers

Ushers & Friends

Honorary Pallbearers

Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated

Acknowledgements

Words cannot express the gratefulness the family feels
toward everyone during our bereavement whether it was
a prayer, thought, flower, food, money, or a card.
Whatever your act of kindness to console our hearts, the
family is thankful and grateful for each one of you. May
God bless and keep each of you.

~The Family~

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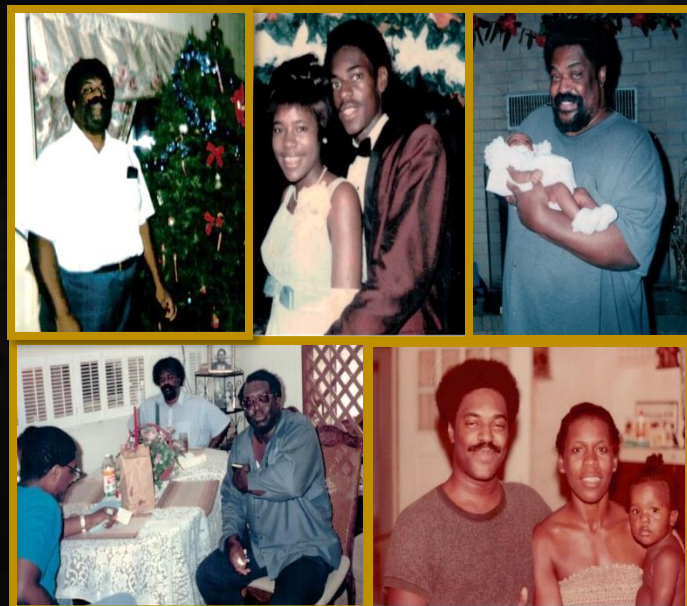


Mr. David
WRIGHT JR.

October 20, 1953 – March 13, 2021

GRAVESIDE SERVICES
SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 2021
11:00 A.M.

RIVERSIDE CEMETERY
200 COTTON AVENUE
ALBANY, GEORGIA 31701
REV. DR. J.A. SEVERSON, OFFICIATING
PASTOR LUTHER ROBINSON, EULOGIST



Reflections of Life

Mr. David Wright, Jr., age 67, of Albany, Georgia was called to his heavenly home on Saturday, March 13, 2021.

David was born on October 20, 1953, in Albany, Georgia, to proud parents, Anease Wright and David Wright Sr. As a young man, David developed a strong work ethic and was active in his community. He had numerous jobs including, delivering Southwest Georgian newspapers on his bicycle. He also worked various jobs at the local Top Dollar store. He was such a hard worker at Top Dollar, he was able to get his younger brother Moses a job there as well.

David's devotion to God guided his footsteps; he was raised in the Church and he joined the Union Missionary Baptist Church at an early age. David loved school and excelled in his academic work. He was strong in all academic areas and had a special love for math and science. One of David's fondest memories was when he created an award-winning project on "probability" at the school science fair.

David was a part of the historic Albany High School Class of 1971. Integration of public schools in Dougherty County had only started a few years earlier. Always a man of firsts, in the fall of 1971, David became the first member of his family to go to college and inspire other members of his family. David was accepted and chose to enroll at Tuskegee Institute ((Tuskegee University), in Tuskegee, Alabama. David's major was electrical engineering. During his years in college, he worked at Georgia Power and received a cooperative opportunity to travel and work in Boston, Massachusetts.

One of David's greatest accomplishments in life, was when he became a member of the "Pinnacle" Gamma Phi Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated at Tuskegee. After his initiation, he held the prestigious position of Dean of Pledges. Thus, David was the first member in his family who became a member of the group we now refer to as the "Divine Nine." He truly loved his A- Phi- A brothers! Also, an up-and-coming group called The Commodores was at Tuskegee during the early 1970s when David was enrolled as a student. He even took a class with a future award-winning Grammy artist named Lionel Richie.

An avid sports fan, David could remember player statistics, the number of championships, and several "little known facts" about sports and sports heroes. He loved to watch: football, basketball, baseball, tennis, golf, and boxing. One of David's heroes was Muhammad Ali. He loved to quote Muhammad Ali. A favorite phrase he loved from Ali was, "I'm the king of the world! I'm pretty! I'm a bad man! I shook up the world! I shook up the world! I shook up the world!" Another one of his favorite quotes was by legendary football coach Vince Lombardi who said, "Winning isn't everything, it's the only thing." Recently, David became a great Georgia Bulldog fan after his great-niece Janet, was accepted to the University of Georgia. Whenever she came home for a visit, before she left, he would always tell her, "GO DAWGS!"

When he watched sports, David loved to eat a variety of foods. He particularly enjoyed: Five Guys, Popeye's and Sublime Doughnuts from Atlanta, Georgia. He always had a hearty appetite and he used to say that his plate, "had to have that meat." It wasn't a meal without the meat. He especially enjoyed a good steak with sweet tea to wash it down.



"Remembering a Life Well Lived"

As a true lover of science, one of David's favorite shows of all time was Star Trek. He could quote several lines from the shows. He loved the logic of Mr. Spock ("Live long and prosper") and the good fun-loving nature and leadership of Captain Kirk (To boldly go where no man has gone before). Similar to Mr. Spock, he could quote numbers to the exact decimal points. He could tell you the speed of light and the speed of sound without any hesitation. He had a brilliant mind and made everyone better who had the privilege of being around him.

A person in agricultural science David admired above all others, was Dr. George Washington Carver. He said he loved Dr. Carver so much because he helped teach us how to feed ourselves with his innovations in agriculture, particularly in the use of the peanut. David told us how when Dr. Carver worked at Tuskegee, he never cashed his check. He donated his check to the school. So, David admired the fact that not only was Dr. Carver a genius in science, but also a true humanitarian. David embraced what Dr. Carver said, "Education is the key to unlock the golden door of freedom."

David truly loved his family. He was always willing to help family members out in any way he could. When his family gave him thanks; he would reply, "That's what family is for." Some of his family members called him, "Dave." To his parents, he was, "son." To his nieces, he was "Uncle Jr." Some of his friends and family members called him by the nickname, "Fruit" or "Fruit Loops" due to the love of the cereal during his childhood. Together with his younger brother, Moses "Sonny" Solomon Wright, they were known as "The Wright Brothers." He would always ask, "Who are the two most famous brothers in history?" The answer would of course be, "The Wright Brothers."

Sister, Dianne Anderson Wright and brother Moses "Sonny" Wright preceded him in death. David leaves to treasure his memory, sister, Gwendolyn Wright, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; niece, Daphnie Wright-Miller (Jerry)Albany, GA; niece, Chasity Williams, Albany, Georgia; great-niece, Janet Heidi-Serena Miller, Athens, Georgia; great-nephew; Mason Miller, Albany, Georgia; aunt Tiny Wright, Albany, Georgia; cousin, Elizabeth Jordan Holsey, Bainbridge, Georgia; cousin, Margie Shirley (Rudolph), Albany, Georgia; cousin, Alphonso Holsey, Atlanta, Georgia; cousin, Roderick Holsey, Columbia, South Carolina; cousin, Brandon Holsey, Atlanta, Georgia; and a host of other relatives and friends who love him and will remember him always.



~ Order of Service ~

10:30-11:00 AM

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated Omega Service
Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity

11:00 AM

~ Processional ~

~ Devotional Prayer ~

Reverend Doctor John Severson, Pastor
Union Missionary Baptist Church

~ Song ~

Ms. Janet Session

~ Scripture ~

Old Testament Psalm 19: 7-14
New Testament: Romans 8:38-39

~ Reflections ~

Mr. Oliver Hunter, Friend
Mr. Benjamin Moore, Friend

~ Eulogy ~

Reverend Luther Robinson,
Atlanta, Georgia

~ The Committal ~

Reverend Dr. John A. Severson

~ Closing Prayer ~

~ Acknowledgements ~

