

A Tribute To Our Father



The legacy that you gave us was
a treasure chest of loving gifts.
You taught us love from being our
father and the grandfather of our
children.

You taught us generosity through
endless giving.

You taught us peace and
encouragement from your smile.
We learned strength and courage
through your life.

We learned birthrights by your re-
specting our individual voices and
hearing words of encouragement.

We learned admiration by
listening to others call your name.
Through voices of love Daddy,
you fought the good fight of faith and
we shall cherish and love the gift of you
our treasure chest forever.

Lovingly Submitted
The Family

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

The family wish to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many
expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to them
during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

THE LONG FAMILY

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IN LOVING MEMORY
OF

Drayton Long, III



Service

Wednesday, July 12, 2017 - 12:30 P.M.

Mt. Calvary Baptist Church

422 Carolina Ave. | Shelby, North Carolina 28150
Rev. Dr. M. Lamont Littlejohn | Eulogist

Interment

Cleveland Memorial Park
Shelby | North Carolina

March 31, 1921 - July 7, 2017

Order of Service

Processional : Clergy | Family | Friends

Receiving of Friends : 12:00pm- 12:30pm

Intro (Genesis Staff) : 12:20pm- 12:30pm

Call to Worship | Rev. Dr. M. Lamont Littlejohn | Pastor

Hymn *"Leaning On The Everlasting Arms"* | Mt. Calvary B/C Choir

Scripture Reading

Old Testament | Rev. John Price

New Testament | Min. Donnell Williamson, Jr.

Prayer of Comfort | Elder Wilbert Clark

Selection | Mt Calvary B/C Choir

Remarks | Isaiah Lynch

Selection *"Precious Lord"* | Loretta Giles

Words of Comfort | Rev. Dr. M. Lamont Littlejohn

Recessional | Mt. Calvary B/C Choir

Interment

Cleveland Memorial Park Cemetery
Shelby, North Carolina

Floral Bearers | Granddaughters & Great- Granddaughters

Pall Bearers | Grandsons & Great-Grandsons

Drayton Long, III

Drayton Long, III, lovingly known as *"Fate"* as a child and *"Grandpa , Daddy Long and Uncle Drayte"* as an adult", was born on March 31, 1921 to the late Sophie Thompson and Drayton Long, Jr. in Jonesville, SC. Drayton attended Union County Schools and at a young age of 10, he began working by his father's side on their family farm. In 1946, he moved to Cleveland Ohio, where he was employed with Euclid, Inc until he retired in 1983. During this time he enjoyed hunting, fishing, boating and mentoring young men in the community.

Drayton's ministry as a Deacon started at St. John Baptist Church in Cleveland, OH and continued at Lake Galilee Baptist Church. After moving to NC, he joined Mount Calvary Baptist Church, where he also served as a Deacon, receiving the honor of *"Deacon Emeritus"* in February 2013.

Drayton was preceded in death by the late, Willa Mae Grace Long; his daughter, Jacqueline Long and his son, Drayton Alfred Long. He is survived by his children from this union, Kimberly Long (Earl, NC), James Long (Jacqueline), Emmanuel Long(Shalita) and Tammy Long, all of Cleveland, OH and Kay Francis Bowling of Knoxville, TN.

While residing in Ohio, Drayton met and married his love, the late Mamie Q. Price. From this union came six step-children, Kenneth Shade, Leon Shade, Amanda Shade, Audrey Shade, Stevie Shade, Sr.(Lessa) and Marcell Shade Jolly.

Drayton was called home on Friday, July 7, 2017 at his residence, while under the direct care of his loving and devoted granddaughter, Timisha Long. He taught his children to live exactly as he lived; to love and forgive unconditionally and to always keep GOD, family and love first. *"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord"*(*Joshua 24:15*) was a scripture he not only believed in but lived.

Drayton was preceded in death by a brother, Edward and sisters, Sally, Wilhelmina, Lucille, Beulah, Alice, Arlene, Hattie and Christine, also. Drayton leaves to cherish fond memories, three sisters, Katherine Jennings (Charlotte, NC, Rosa Lee Davis and Mary Jeter, both of Mt. Vernon, NY and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-greatgrandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

