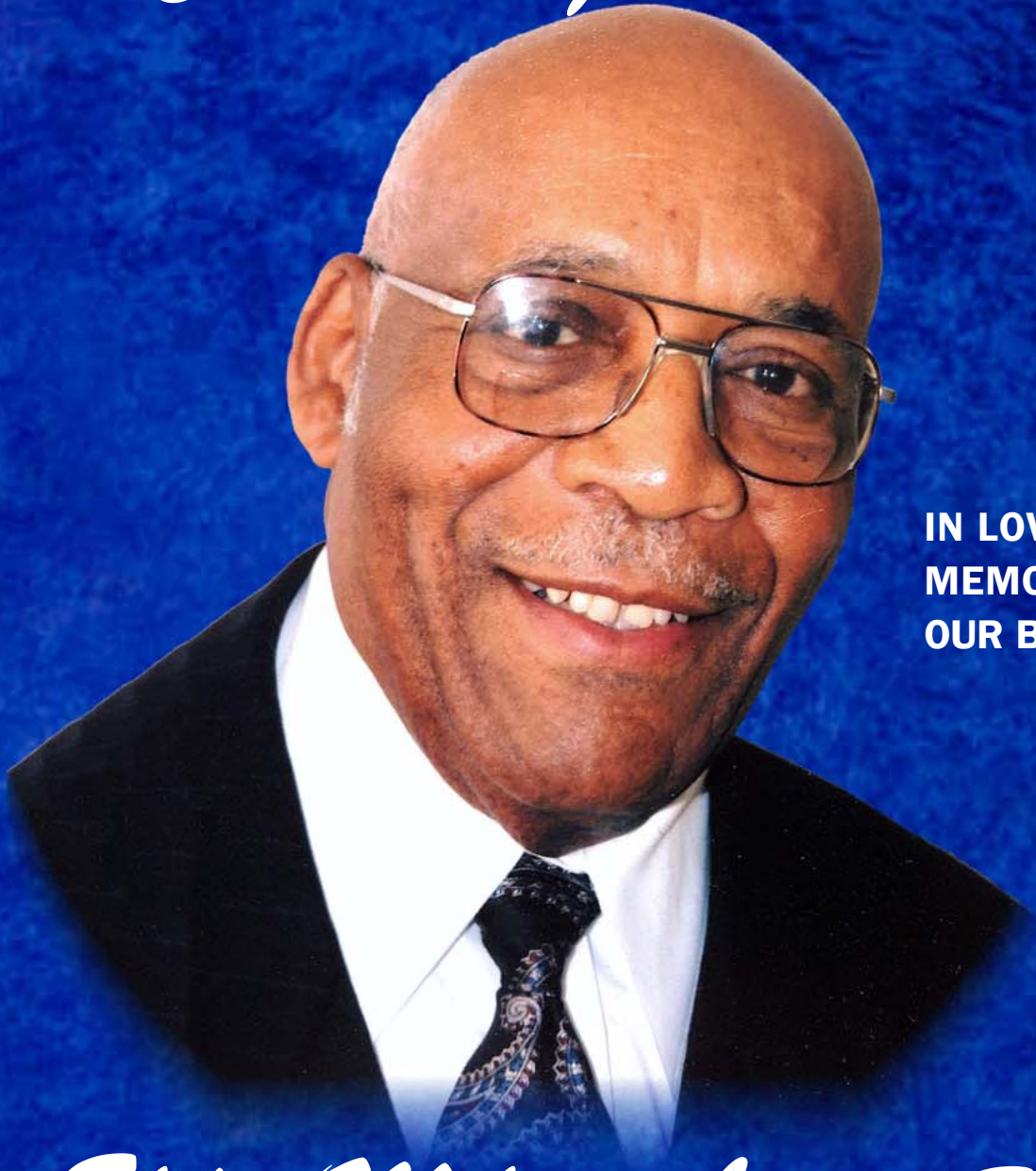


HONORING THE LIFE • REMEMBERING THE LEGACY

Celebrating The Victory

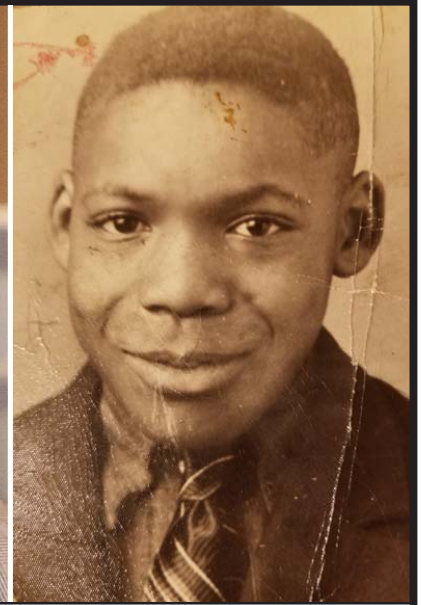
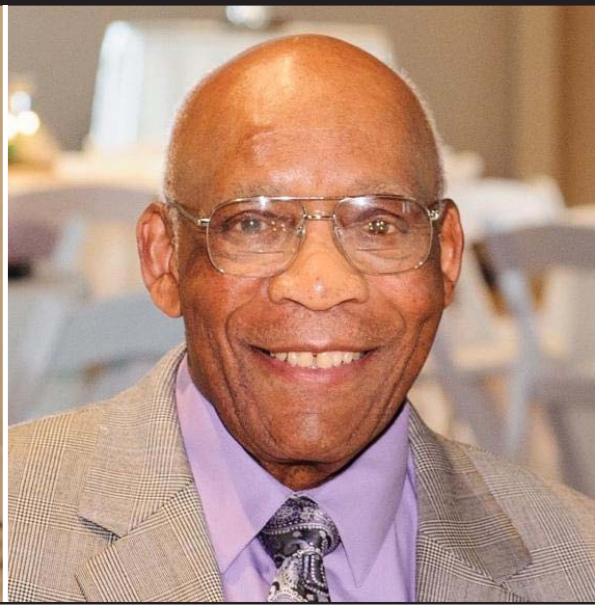


IN LOVING
MEMORY OF
OUR BELOVED

Elder Melvin Louis Shipp

Sunrise: FEBRUARY 24, 1931 - Sunset: NOVEMBER 24, 2020

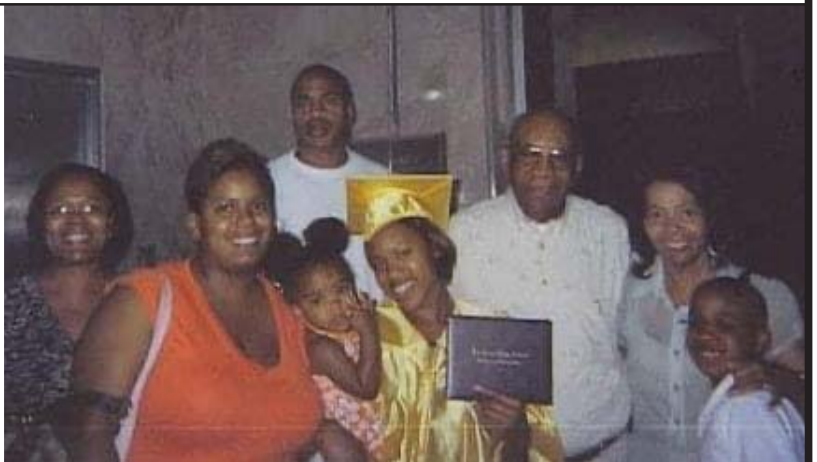
I HAVE FOUGHT A GOOD FIGHT, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:
Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness . . . - *II Timothy 4:7 & 8*



Moments Last For A Second . . . **MEMORIES LAST FOREVER.**

“For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under the heaven”

Ecclesiastes 3:1





The Obituary

*“Precious in the sight of the Lord is
the death of his saints.” - Psalm 116:15*

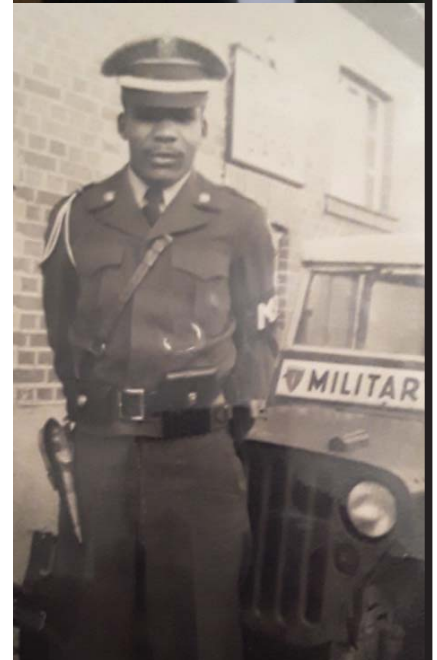
MELVIN LOUIS SHIPP, the son of Captain Cleveland “Cleve” Shipp and Pearl Meaders, was born Tuesday, February 24, 1931, in Water Valley, Mississippi. He was the oldest son of seven children. Melvin left Water Valley, Mississippi as a child and his family lived, for a time, in Harlan, Kentucky where he was educated and graduated from Rosenwald High School in 1947. He was number one in his class and voted “Most Dignified.” Melvin furthered his education at Columbus State Community College.

Melvin was a proud veteran of the United States Army. He loved sharing stories and reminiscing about his time serving in the Army. Melvin worked at DCSC and worked for COTA as a bus driver. He also worked many years for the City of Columbus, Department of Engineering and Construction as an inspector before retiring in 2002.

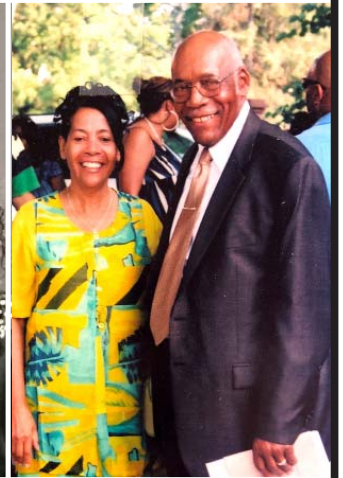
Melvin accepted the Lord Jesus as his Savior and served faithfully at the Church of Christ of the Apostolic Faith as an ordained Elder, President of the Brotherhood, Deacon, and Sunday School teacher. He was passionate about seeking God and teaching the truth. He enjoyed traveling, reading, and studying the Bible. Melvin was best known for his vibrant personality and for uplifting others with his infectious smile. He never met a stranger and always had kind words and good conversation for all. He always shared his favorite Scripture, I Peter 1:16 . . . *“Be ye holy, for I am holy.”*

Blessed with 89 years of life, our beloved Melvin L. Shipp entered eternal rest on Tuesday, November 24, 2020. Along with his parents, he was predeceased by his sisters, Jimmie Lou and Dorothy Mae; brothers, Daniel Lee, Leonard, and Robert; and two children, Melvin Jr. and Rosalyn.

Melvin leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife, Shirley; daughters, Denise, Leslie, and Sonya; sons, Anthony, and Timothy; stepdaughter, Pamela (John); stepsons, Alfred, Daryl, Juan (Robin), and Terry; sister, Betty; and, a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other family members, and friends.



Your Life Was A Blessing; Your Memory A Treasure
YOU ARE LOVED BEYOND WORDS AND MISSED BEYOND MEASURE.





A CELEBRATION REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF

Elder Melvin Louis Shipp

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Elder Frankie Morris
(Co-Laborer / Longtime Friend)

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THE OBITUARY *Read Silently / Soft Music*

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The Eulogy

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Tributes

*“We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body,
and to be present with the Lord” - II Corinthians 5:8*

FOR SO MANY YEARS, we have experienced everything together. We have laughed, cried, loved, celebrated, anticipated, hoped, dreamed, praised the LORD, and prayed together!

You have been a wonderful husband to me — a great strong caring father, grandfather (PawPaw), brother, uncle, leader, and friend to others.

I LOVE YOU! I know that you have gone to be with the Lord, and though I will miss you my love, I know that you are now in God’s loving arms. I will always cherish our time together and never forget your beautiful smile!

YOUR LOVING WIFE . . . *Shirley*

- LEGACY OF A GREAT FATHER & GREAT MAN -

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow said: “When a great man dies, for years the light he leaves behind him lies on the paths of men.” **THE LIGHT OF MELVIN SHIPP’S LIFE IS HIS LEGACY** and will shine brightest on the paths of his children. He was a strong man who provided protection and showed us how to live sacrificially. He was a wise man who provided great advice and showed us how to make great choices. He was a devoted man who was committed to his family and showed us how to be faithful. He was a loving man who showed us how to have true care and concern. He was a godly man who showed us how to keep God first in life.

There are so many things that Dad/Pops demonstrated through his life. We his children testify that he not only talked the talk, he also walked the walk. The life he lived will shine brightly on our paths and his example will light the way to a life filled with joy, peace, and right living. We love him dearly and will always cherish the legacy of this **GREAT FATHER and GREAT MAN!**



SINCERELY . . . *The Children*



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With Loving Gratitude

WE, THE FAMILY OF MELVIN L. SHIPP, express our love and deepest appreciation to everyone for your prayers, visits, phone calls, cards, flowers, gifts, and the many expressions of kindness extended during this time of bereavement. It is a blessing from God to have so many wonderful friends and family who care.

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