### CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

# Kentworth C. Jackman, Sr.

1931 † 2020



entworth Calvin Jackman, Sr. was the fourth child of the late Edna and Beresford Jackman of Barbados. Kent and his older siblings Violet, Ivan, and Doris grew up in Boston's Back Bay

He attended Boston Public schools before graduating from Boston Trade High School in 1949; then served in the army for two years during the Korean War, where he also explored his joy for playing the trumpet - which contributed to a love for jazz music.

Following his military service Kent continued his education at Wentworth Institute, earning a certificate in mechanical draftsmanship in 1957.

In 1953 Kent married Carolyn McLoud (of Miami FL) and the couple parented three children: Kent Jr., Erik, and Denise. The family lived in Boston's Roxbury area - where they nurtured their children with a focus on education, chores, and spiritual guidance.

By 1955 Kent was employed as a draftsperson for RAYTHEON COMPANY, where he served in the Bedford, Lowell, and Andover, MA locations. In 1960 he would become a designer, and later a product engineer for the company; focused on the development and supervision of parts and services within the Missile Systems Division. During this same time Kent continued his education at the Lincoln College of Northeastern University – where in 1964 he received an Associates' Degree in Mechanical Engineering.

In 1971, having rekindled a high school friendship years earlier, Kent proposed to Alberta "Bert" Yearwood Kountze and together they parented Bert's two daughters, Vallery and Jocelynn, from her prior marriage. With the birth of Jocelynn's first child, Kent first became a grandfather in 1976 when Kiersten Kountze Beathley was born, followed by his second grandchild, Meaghan Kountze Montes in 1984. During his 25 year marriage to Bert, he would also become a beloved Great-Grandfather to Nathianiel Hillard Green, Serena May Beathley, Levi Manuel Kountze-Montes and Olivia Jocelee Kountze-Montes.

Between 1968 and '72 Kent would be positioned in Raytheon's new job training facility (in Waltham, MA) as a drafting instructor - and later as the school's Director. His involvement with training, counseling, and curriculum development provided the foundation for later positions at Raytheon as a Human Resources Manager – which presented the opportunity to develop and administer Affirmative Action programs at historically black colleges and universities throughout the duration of his professional career. He retired from Raytheon Company after nearly thirty years of diverse employment. Other professional accomplishments include serving on the Advisory Council of Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD), as well as numerous consultation &/or board positions relating to minority recruitment. In addition, he remained a dedicated member of the Men's Group at Roxbury's Charles Street AME Church.

On May 8, 2004 – Kent remarried. His bride – Dorothy Wiltshire-Reed had been a friend since childhood. Their reunion, following fifty years of life experiences, was blessed with loving children, step children, grand children and a great grandchild.

As the last child of his generation within the Jackman family, Kent also became the surrogate father to a cadre of nieces, nephews and extended family members spanning no less than three generations. When taken collectively with his surviving children, grandchildren, and in-laws - these relationships span no less than three generations. His gentle caring presence and engagingly warm smile will be eternally missed.

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### I John 4:20, 21

20 Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. 21 And he has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

FRIDAY, APRIL 10,, 2020, 11:00 AM
Rev. Gregory G. Groover, Sr., Officiating
Invocation

Opening Hymn Blessed Assurance Jesus is Mine

Scripture

Old Testament New Testament Remarks

> Selection Paul White, Organ

> > Obituary

Selection Gregory G. Groover, Jr, Saxophone

Eulogy Rev. Gregory G. Groover, Sr.

Benediction

Procession to:
FOREST HILLS CEMETERY, JAMAICA PLAIN, MA



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