

Acknowledgements

On behalf of the Lucas family we want to thank everyone for their prayers, sympathy cards, flowers, kind words and overall support during this difficult time. We offer our heartfelt thanks to the many friends, neighbors and well-wishers who visited our home, attended service and who provided emotional and practical support for us at this difficult time.

For those who telephoned, travelled long distances, sent floral tributes, cards and messages of condolences, as well as those who made charitable donations, we are truly grateful. To those who helped in any way, your contribution made our unthinkable loss more bearable. As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually, please accept this acknowledgement as an expression of our deepest gratitude and love.

Lovingly submitted by *The Family*

Flower Bearers
Grand Daughters

Pall Bearers
Grandsons

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CELEBRATING
HIS LIFE
AND
LEGACY

HUSBAND
FATHER
GRANDFATHER
GREAT GRAND
FATHER
MENTOR
ENTREPRENEUR

SHERWOOD E. LUCAS

Earl



1929

HIS Story 2020

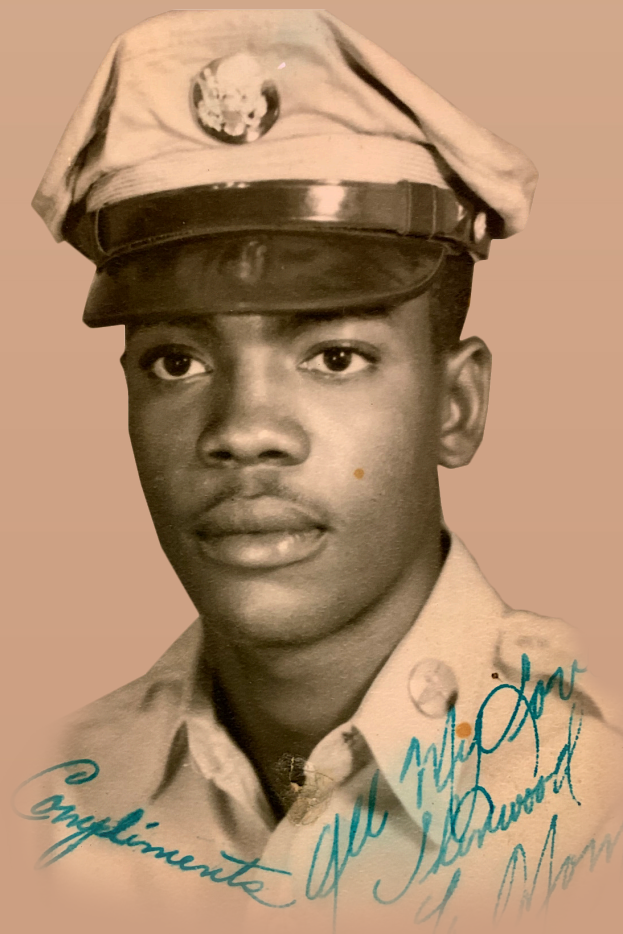
Sherwood Earl “Luke” Lucas affectionately known as “Earl” was born in Portsmouth, Virginia on September 23rd, 1929, to the late Sherwood Earl Lucas Sr. and Gladys L. Gatling. He was educated in the Catholic School System in Virginia. Earl relocated from Portsmouth, Virginia to Washington, D.C. to pursue a career in cryptology for the U.S. Department of State. In 1984, he retired after 34 years of dedicated service.

Earl was a proud Airman in the U.S. Air Force. During his tour of service he traveled to various countries around the world. Upon returning from his tour of duty, Sherwood was reacquainted with a longtime childhood friend Delores Vinson; who he knew since elementary school. On December 11, 1954, Sherwood and Delores were joined in holy matrimony, and for 66 years they remained in marital bliss raising six wonderful children.

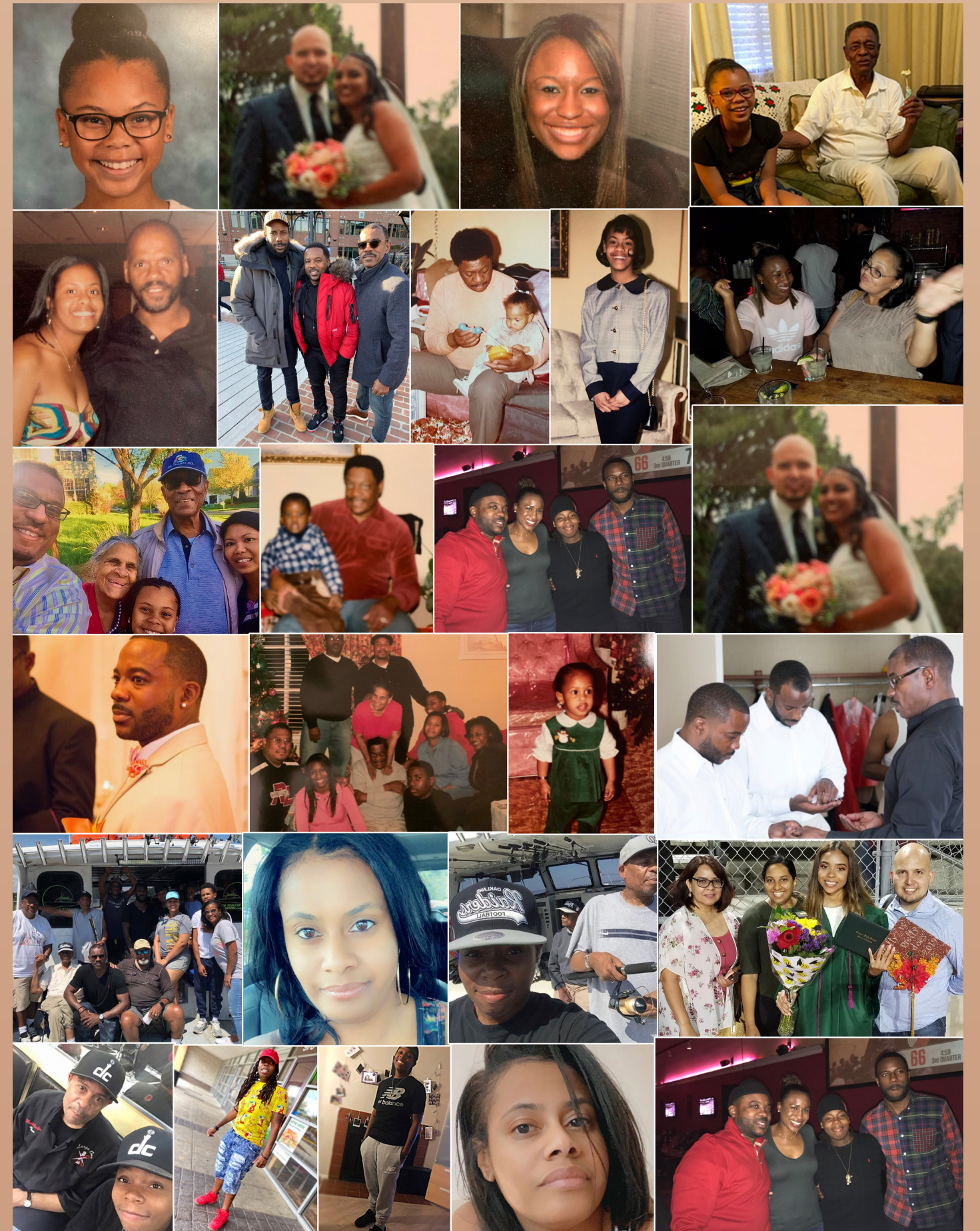
Earl was a fantastic fisherman spending weekends on his boat fishing with family and friends. He also was a successful entrepreneur who owned a Billiard Hall in Portsmouth, Virginia and a laundromat in Washington, D.C. He loved to entertain family and friends at their home. He enjoyed playing golf and was an avid skier. Earl spent hours in the backyard tending to his garden full of vegetables, grape vines, and fruit trees. He loved to barbecue, fish fry and having an old fashion southern meal with greens, pork, corn bread, macaroni and cheese, candied yams, and potato salad.

As a young child Earl accepted Christ as his personal Lord and savior and attended Portsmouth Catholic Regional School. Later in life Sherwood became a member of Hunter Memorial Church, which is now known as Real Power AME Church in Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

As the Patriarch of our family, Earl was a strong and loving example of a man, husband, father, grandfather, and friend. And on August 29, 2020, with peace in his heart God stretched forth His almighty hand and Sherwood was swept away into the sweet by and by. Sherwood is survived by his devoted wife Delores. Sons; Sherwood Jr. (Claudia), Lauris “Von” (Marcella), Grayling (Sandy) and Randy (Alexis). Grandchildren; DeShanda, Tonielle, Grayling, Courtney, Garnell, LaVon, Kayla, Kyndall, Armando, Byron, and Tiffany. Several great grandchildren, and a great great grandchildren. As well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. Sherwood is preceded by his parents and two sons, Kurtson Lucas and Baron (Talib) Lucas.



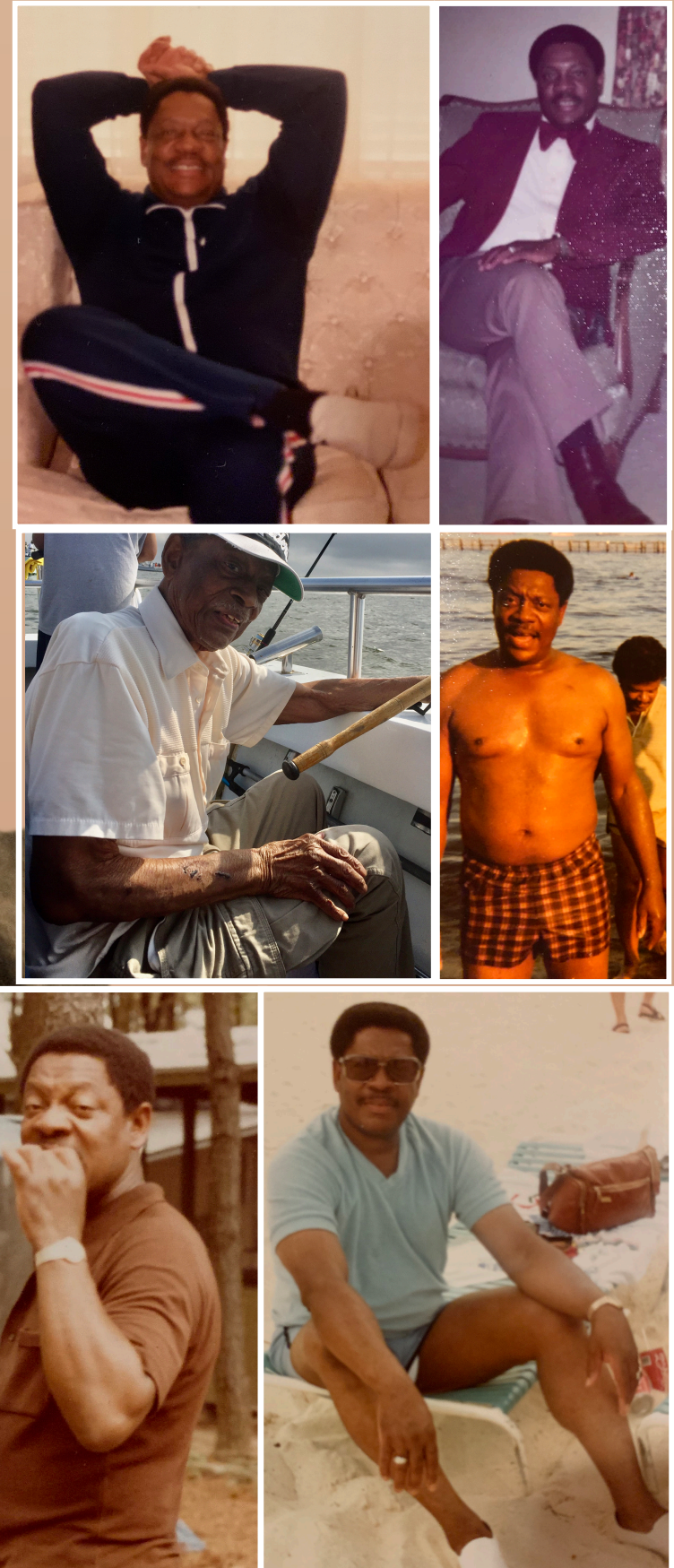
A Grandfather's Love



A father's Love



Remembering Earl



Order of Service

Funeral Service

Tuesday September 8, 2020
Viewing 10:00am - Service 11:00am

Greater Saint John Cathedral
11425 Old Marlboro Pike
Upper Marlboro, Maryland

Interment Service
Friday September 11, 2020

Lincoln Cemetery
3901 Deep Creek Blvd.
Portsmouth, Virginia

Rev. Dr. Kelli V. Hayes, Presider
Rev. Dr. Harold B. Hayes, Eulogist

Presider

Rev. Dr. Kellie V. Hayes
Real Power A.M.E. Church

Reading of Old and New Testaments:

Rev. Dawn Adams
Real Power A.M.E. Church

Prayer of Comfort

Rev. Dr. Kellie V. Hayes
Real Power A.M.E. Church

Psalmist

Korey Dean

Musician:

Kenyan Hanna
Real Power A.M.E. Church
(2 Selections)

Eulogy

Rev. Dr. Harold B. Hayes, Jr.
Real Power A.M.E. Church

A Husband's Love



In Honor of 66 Years of Holy Matrimony

“Love is patient, love is
kind. It does not envy, it
does not boast, it is
not proud.

It does not dishonor
others, it is not
self-seeking,
it is not easily angered,
it keeps no record of
wrongs.

Love does not delight in
evil, but rejoices
with the
truth. It always protects,
always trusts, always
hopes, always
perseveres.

Love never fails.”

1 Corinththians 13:4-8

