Bernard Oscar Wilkerson

October 18, 1929 - July 17, 2019

Bernard Oscar Wilkerson, departed peacefully on Wednesday, July 17, 2019, at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore Hospital, at the age of 89. He was born on Friday, October 18,1929, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Bernard was raised and educated in Caroline County, Maryland. After enlisting in the United States Army, he served during the Korean War and was stationed in Germany. Later in life, Bernard was employed by Campbell Soup Company and Summit Aviation.

Bernard was a faithful Christian. He attended Bethel A.M.E. Church in Chestertown, Maryland. He was one of the original members of the Starlight Gospel Singers of Union U.M. Church in Goldsboro, Maryland. He was also a long-time active member of the American Legion Parker White Post 143. Bernard was also an avid hunter and fisherman.

Bernard was preceded in death by his father, Thomas Wilkerson, Sr.; mother, Alice Black Wilkerson; wife, Pearl Wilkerson; three brothers, Thomas Jr., Charles and Calvin Wilkerson; and sister, Sylvia Patton.

Bernard is survived by three children, Sherrill Rochester of Denton, MD, Bernard Wilkerson of Irving, TX and Masha Taylor of Denton, MD; one sister-in-law, Constance Wilkerson of Goldsboro, MD; long time companion, Jocelyn

Williams of Chestertown, MD; three grandchildren, Kamala Massey (Rabin) of Raleigh, NC, Lesean Wilkerson of Chestertown, MD and Sheridan Taylor, Jr. of Pottstown, PA; five great-grandchildren, Anthony, Alexis, and Isaiah of Pottstown, PA, Xavier of Raleigh, NC and Deanna of Baltimore, MD; Trey, Armani, Hudson, Eloise, Margo, Carter and Shakur, to whom he was known as “Pop-pop”.

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Uncle Bern you will be truly missed

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