



Frederick L. "Fred" Hopkins

November 26, 1948 - January 3, 2019

Reverend Frederick (Fred) Leroy Hopkins was born on Friday, November 26, 1948, in Millsboro, Delaware, to the late Thomas Hopkins and Cordelia Isler Hopkins. On Thursday, January 3, 2019, surrounded by family and friends at the Delaware Hospice Center in Milford, Delaware, it was God's desire that Fred's life ended quietly and peacefully.

As a young man, Fred worked for several poultry plants throughout Delaware. These plants included Holly Farms, Townsend Farms, Allen Foods, and Tyson where he was a dedicated worker. In his later years he established his own poultry business, Hopkins & Hopkins which he later changed the name to FWH Enterprise. Fred was known to many as a very hard worker and provider for his family. He never hesitated to help anyone in need and ensuring his family was taken care of was his number one priority.

Fred Hopkins was one of a kind. He was a natural-born leader who always made things happen or knew who to call to get what he wanted done. He was the family comedian and the one who would tell you like it was with no hesitation. Everyone who really knew him, knew that everything he said was with love. He loved and cherished his family and friends. In his spare time, you could find him attending the local high school's games and cheering the kids on.

On April 29, 1989, Fred married his sweetheart, the love of his life, Wanda. This year they would have celebrated their 30-year wedding anniversary.

Reverend Fred Hopkins loved the Lord and was very active in the church. He began his early years at St. John 2nd Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Rev. Clarence Nebraska Sample, where he served on the Trustee Board, President of the Men's Choir, and President of The Brotherhood. He was ordained as Minister in 2000 under the Union General Baptist Association and later ordained as Reverend in 2004 under Reverend Annie J. Custis where he eventually served as Assistant Pastor. Throughout his journey, Reverend Hopkins was led to Friendship Baptist Church in Lewes, Delaware, under the leadership of Reverend George Edwards, where he was a member for five years, until God spoke to him to return to St. John where he was welcomed with open arms. Reverend Hopkins continued to be very active in the church as well as in his community. He was the Vice President of the Mt. Joy Civic Association and he and his wife attended Community Bible Study, which was held at Grace United Methodist Church in Millsboro, Delaware.

Fred was preceded in death by his father, Tom Hopkins; daughter, Brenda Vann; brother, Tom Hopkins, Jr., and daughter-in-law, Takisha Hopkins.

He leaves to cherish his memory and to carry on his legacy, his mother, Cordelia Hopkins of Millsboro, DE; his loving wife, Wanda Hopkins of Georgetown, DE; 5 children, Frederick Vann (Nicole) of Temecula, California, Katrina McGee (Sean) of Millsboro, DE, Ronnie Lewis of Rehoboth, DE, Troy Hopkins of Georgetown, DE and Sean Hopkins, Sr. of Georgetown, DE; 2 nephews whom he raised as his own, Anthony Harris of Georgetown, DE and Larry Chambers of Millsboro, DE; 7 grandchildren, Kaishee Hopkins (Janise), Brittnee Vann, Breonna Vann, Kaila Strand, Troy Hopkins, Trayvon Hopkins, and Sean Hopkins Jr; 2 great grandchildren, Kaishee Hopkins, Jr. and Kahlil Hopkins; 7 brothers, William Hopkins (Joyce), Elton Hopkins (Mae), Gilford

Hopkins (Violet), Robert Hopkins (Margaret), Nathaniel Hopkins (Sue), Apostle Ivory Hopkins (Evelyn) and Charles Maddox (Liz); 7 sisters, Lovey Hopkins, Delores Justice, Mary Watson (Arthur), Shirley Shellton (Larry), Levola Hopkins, Regina Taylor, and Stephanie Dukes (Rozell); 3 brothers-in-law, Wendell Cook, Dominick Cook and Paul Kane, Jr.; 3 sisters-in-law, Deana Cook (Ali), Carolyn Hopkins and Shawn Kane; uncle, Josiah Isler (Brenda); extended children, Larry Vann, Sharon Vann, Peggy Marshall, and Debbie Bailey; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, church family, and friends that loved him very much and will miss him dearly.

Tribute Wall



“ To the Family, I'm so sorry for your loss. Matthew 22:32, Jesus quoted God as saying: 'I am the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' Then he continued: 'He is the God, not of the dead, but of the living.' I know that those words mean that those retained in God's memory will return in the resurrection. Ms Woodson

January 31, 2019 at 01:26 PM



“ Sorry I couldn't be there but you guys know where my heart is. I love you guys. Roman (Junny) Lewis and family.

Roman Lewis - January 11, 2019 at 12:34 PM



“ To the family my deepest sympathy in this time of sorrow. I pray that the comforting words will help quiet your mine, soothe your heart and ease your soul, May you find strength in the love of your family and the warm embrace from loving friends. As I reflect on him he always had something nice to say and was very caring. I will miss his support that he gave to the Mt Joy Community whenever I needed him. He would always come through and tease me about all the emails I would send him and tell everyone at the meetings if you give her your email address she will keep you informed of everything. Just know I'm here for you praying for you all and we will miss him he was a jewel to us all. Deepest sympathy Michelle Johnson

January 11, 2019 at 09:50 AM

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. God has called his child back home. Hold on to your memories, these will help to carry you.

The Corbitt Family; Miriam, Anthony, Iris, Timothy - January 10, 2019 at 09:10 AM

IR

“ Sorry for your loss of a loved one. Read Psalms 34:18 for words of comfort and peace.

Irene - January 08, 2019 at 09:57 AM

JO

“ Dear Family, Grief can be so hard at times, but our cherished memories help to cope. Hold tight to those memories. Lean on each other for support. And may you find comfort in God's promise at (Revelation 21:4).

joyceA - January 07, 2019 at 04:19 PM

GJ

“ I want to express my heart felt sympathy to the family of the late Rev. Fred Hopkins . He was a great man and I had the upmost respect for him. A true man of honor and dignity. You fought a great FIGHT and now you can take your REST. Prayers for the entire Hopkins Family and friends. I love you bro Fred but God loved you best. You will surely be missed....

Gregory Johnson - January 06, 2019 at 09:41 AM

MJ

“ I am sorry for your loss, please accept my sincere condolences. I hope the family will find some comfort and strength in Jesus promise of the earthly resurrection(Acts 24:15)and the renewed Paradise earth, where death will be no more and no family will mourn the death of a loved one.-Revelation 21:3,4;John 5:28,29;Luke 23:43. may GOD(Psalms 83:18)grant you peace and comfort now, during this grievous time.-Matthew 5:4.

M Jones - January 05, 2019 at 10:39 AM

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“ Sorry For Your LossJesus Christ Loves MeWe Love You

Heartfelt Sympathies - January 04, 2019 at 09:04 PM