



## George Henry "Dap Daddy" Coverdale

July 13, 1937 - July 14, 2017

George Henry Coverdale, son of the late Willis Spencer Coverdale and Margaret Ellen Matthews Coverdale, was born on July 13, 1937, in Concord, Delaware. Early afternoon July 14, 2017, he departed this life at Lewes Harbor Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Lewes, Delaware.

At an early age George attended Mt. Calvary A.M.E. Church in Concord, DE and Bethel A.M.E. Church in Atlanta, DE. He graduated from Frederick Douglass Middle School in Seaford, DE and continued his education at William C. Jason Comprehensive High School before enlisting in the United States Marine Corps in 1955. Following basic training at the USMC base at Parris Island, SC, he served in the Philippines, Europe and Japan. After returning to Concord, DE, he rejoined the community where he grew up and returned to the home in which he was born. Thereafter, he worked at Parsons Lumber Mill and the poultry firm, Townsends, Inc., from which he retired in 2002.

Loved by all who knew him well, George was a beloved son, brother, nephew, cousin and uncle known as George Henry or Uncle George and trusted friend known as 'Dap Daddy' or 'The King'. Always culturally aware and known for his keen mind, George loved to spend time with his family and friends discussing world and military history, politics, African-American studies, blues and current events. The Coverdale patriarch loved to visit his family in NY and

travel out of state with his friend, Jay.

In addition to his parents, George was preceded in death by two sisters, Rose Ellen Sobers and Thelma Lee Wright; one brother, Willis Edward Coverdale; and one nephew, Jarvis Augustine Coverdale.

George leaves to cherish his memories, two sisters, Marian (William) Bowden and Linda Coverdale; two brothers, Willis James Coverdale and Enoch Coverdale; one sister-in-law, Judith McGeary Coverdale; three nieces, Sharon (Terrence) Bell, Tamika Coverdale, and Sharise Nieves; three nephews; Darrin Bowden, James (Clay) Wright, Jr., and Robert (Trudie) Coverdale; several special cousins including Lucretia Richards, Betty Wilson, Gwen Cannon Hammond, Vaughn Banks, Lettie Cannon, Joan Banks, Carolyn Banks, Jean Fletcher, Terrance Banks, Gary Gaines, Jamazine Matthews, Sherwood Matthews, Connie Rayford, Derrick Matthews, Virgil Matthews, Tyrone Matthews, Michelle Matthews, Mary Ellen Matthews; special friends, John 'Jay' Cannon, Robert Turner, Larry Deshields, Vergonda B. Thompson; and a host of cousins, great nieces, great nephews, relatives and friends.

Lovingly Submitted,  
The Family

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of George Henry "Dap Daddy" Coverdale, please visit our Heartfelt Sympathies Store.

# Tribute Wall

EV

“ *Condolences from Evelyn, To the family of Mr. Coverdale. Coping with the loss of a loved one. The Bible assures us at (Psalm 34:18) that Jehovah is near to those that are broken at heart. May the Bible bring hope and comfort to the family of Mr. Coverdale. so sorry for your loss.*

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**Evelyn** - July 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ My dear wife and I would like to extend our condolences for the loss of your loved one. All of us have experienced the pain of death in some way sad to say. And, so, at difficult times like this we are confronted with the stark reality of how precious and fragile life can surely be (James 4:14). So, we send this condolence to you with the hope that we can in some small way comfort you as it has comforted us with what the Bible reveals to us about good news from Almighty God. As recorded in the Bible, God's only-begotten son, Jesus promises that one day he is going to bring back to life all those who have died (John 5:28,29). He further encourages all of us to exercise faith in that promise and be blessed as we see that promise fulfilled (John 11:25; 3:16). Just as death is an enemy to us, it is also an enemy to God (1 Corinthians 15:26). For that reason as well as others, He promises to remove forever all the pain, suffering, wickedness, and DEATH that mankind has had to endure for thousands of years (Revelation 21:3-5; Psalm 37:10,11,29). As the Bible tells us, one day both the living and the dead who are brought back to life will enjoy life, everlasting life, as God originally purposed for this earth thousands of years ago in the Garden of Eden (Genesis 1:28; Jeremiah 29:11). Truly, what a glorious and almost unbelievable day that will be! It's a reality for God cannot lie (Titus 1:2). All that He asks of us is that we simply do His will and not our own (1 John 2:17; Proverbs 3:5,6). It is our hope that you not take our word for what has been written; but that you take a moment to read and meditate on all these referenced scriptures and be comforted by the marvelous hope God has in store for us (Psalm 1:1-3; John 17:3). Our thoughts and prayers are sincerely with all of you.

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George & Christine Ragusa - July 19, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Please accept my deepest sympathy in the loss of your loved one. The bible gives us hope of being reunited with our loved ones who are sleeping in death. At Acts 24:15, it tells us that the dead will be resurrected. Also, at Revelation 21:4, it tells us that death, tears and pain will be removed in the near future. Please look forward to that time. Until then, may your family be comforted and blessed.

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**Doretha Sampson** - July 19, 2017 at 12:00 AM