



Howard Eugene Tiller Jr.

August 4, 1944 - January 30, 2020

Howard Eugene Tiller, Jr., affectionately known as Brother, Slim, Pop, and Pop-Pop, was called home at the age of 75, on January 30, 2020.

Howard was born in Big Woods, Maryland, to the late Geraldine & Howard Tiller Sr., on August 4, 1944. He received his early education at Coleman's Elementary and graduated from Henry Highland Garnett High School in 1964. He entered the US Army in February 1966, and received training in the army artillery where he trained as a Marksman. During this time he served in the Vietnam War.

After serving in the military, Howard relocated to Delaware to work with his father at the Bricklayers of Delaware, where he became a skillful mason. He later joined the Iron Workers Union 451. In 1987, he went to work for Chrysler UAW 1183 where he retired as a Millwright on May 20, 2007.

In addition to being a lifetime member of the Big Woods community, Howard was a lifelong member of the New Christian Chapel of Love Church, where he served in many capacities such as Vice President of Trustee Board, member of the Men's Choir, member of the Men's Bible Study, Kitchen Committee member and Membership Committee. He also served as the Vice President of the Hospital Auxiliary.

Howard was a devoted and caring father who dearly loved and adored each and every one of his children. Howard was a wonderful and loving father and grandfather, nothing was too much for his kids.

Howard was a lifelong Washington Redskins fan and looked forward to the football season each year.

Howard is survived by five children, Ursula Massey and her husband James of Upper Marlboro, MD, Shawn Tiller and his wife Falisha of Middletown, DE, Tonya Tiller of Newark, DE, Kyra Tiller of Middletown, DE and Justin Tiller of Worton, MD; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; three siblings, Amy Wilson of Worton, MD, Alfred Tiller of Middletown, DE, Gloria "Sister" Needam of Chestertown, MD; one uncle, Samuel Tiller; one aunt, Lola Taylor; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

Lovely Submitted,
The Family

Tribute Wall

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“ It was a blessing to have Uncle Howard in my life. He was more than an Uncle to me. He was good friend. Over the past 25 years, we have developed a close bond. He was full joy and happiness. He brought love and laughter to my family. Always the life of the party. Always the jokester and teasing the family about past relationships. He had that personality that made it easy to talk to him about anything in life. I am going to miss those conversations. Uncle Howard and Aunt Sis last visited Shelia and I the day after Christmas. We were so glad to see them. We broke bread, and Uncle Howard told story, after story. He always had a good story to tell about the family. That was the last time I saw him. I will always cherish those moments. He was very supportive of any anything I was trying to do in life or wanting to be a part of. He came to my military retirement ceremony. He danced at my 20th wedding anniversary. He wobbled at my church’s line dancing program. He even showed up at my in-law’s annual family cookout, all the way down in Berlin, MD a few times. Always a joy to be around, no matter the setting. He would jump in his car and go anywhere. And speaking of that car, when Uncle Howard stepped out of that White Dodge, I noticed he had a little swag in his walk. My uncle was still young at heart. One of the many reasons, why I loved him. Whenever I needed something, he was like, just tell me what and when. He would try to fix anything. Whatever the challenge, he would be determined to get the job done. He had one strong work ethic. No doubt, if something breaks down in Heaven, he is going to grab a toolbox and try to fix it. He has always been there for his five children. I know he had a special and unique bond with each one. But the love he had for each and everyone of them is equally distributed. They are all were his favorites. They are a very close-knit family and I love them all too. Uncle Howard always encouraged all his family and other to do something good with your life. He was a nurturer, a comforter, a provider, and later in life a mentor to his family. He loved and cherished his children so much and would do anything for them. And what he did for them, they deeply appreciated it all. They did not take his patience, kindness, and generosity for granted. I listen

how they consistently expressed heartfelt stories about him. They talked about how he has always been there for them. They talked about the hour-long phone conversations, where he wanted to know how they were doing and if they needed anything\u201d. They talked about how much they appreciated all that he did for his grandchildren. Whether it was cheering at their sporting competition, helping to carrying them off to college, being at their stage performances, driving down south to a wedding, or showing up at baby showers. He did it all with a big smile on his face. He wanted to be part of their lives. He wanted his family to know, how proud and how much he loved them. Uncle Howard valued all what is family did for him, too. He cherished the moments spent with them especially around the holidays. Uncle Howard looked out for his two sisters and brother (Aunt Amy, Aunt Sis, & my father). I was hospitalized twice within the last five years, each time my uncle was there within the first 24 hours. Checking in on me. That\u2019s who is was, all about the family. And his caring generosity, just didn\u2019t stop with the family. He was very helpful in the local community. Actively involved in his church as a trustee and he enjoyed every moment of it. For all the men in the family, including both Tillers and Brown. We got no excuse for not knowing what it is to be a good father, because Howard Tiller has given us the blueprint. For the ladies of the families, Howard Tiller was dedicated family provider and protector, and you should expect those same personal qualities from your soulmates. I speak for the family when I say, we've been blessed to have him. I know, he has been a g

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“ *Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts.*

Love, Ron & Teasha Scott, Danielle & Kita - February 08, 2020 at 12:01 AM

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“ *To the Tiller Family - with deepest sympathy - Sherry Stephens and Zelma Smith-Dexter.*

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