



## Mexico Stephens Jr.

May 23, 1935 - October 31, 2018

### A Life Well-Lived

From henceforth let no man trouble me: for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

Amen

Galatians 6:17-18

Mexico Stephens, Jr. peacefully entered into eternal rest on Wednesday, October 31, 2018 at his home in Salisbury, Maryland, at the age of eighty-three.

Born in Robeson County, North Carolina, he was the son of the late Mexico, Sr. and Julia Stephens. He received his formal education in Somerset County, Maryland. In 1957, Mexico joined the United States Army. After his tour of duty in the military, he was a truck driver for several years. He later went on to become a first class engineer for machine maintenance for Shoreland Freezers. He remained there for forty (40) years until his retirement in 1998.

Mexico was truly a man of faith, who loved serving the Lord. He had a keen love for singing and really enjoyed quartets. He was the longest standing member of Mount Carmel Baptist Church in Princess Anne, Maryland, where he served for more than sixty (60) years. He was ordained as a Deacon, and

later served as the Chairman of the Deacon Board. He also served in several other Ministries. Mexico was a member of the Progressive Baptist Association of the Eastern Shore, Inc., serving as the Treasurer for many years. He was also a member of Masonic East Gate Lodge#65 for nearly fifty (50) years, as well as the Starlight Chapter #44 Order of the Eastern Star.

Mexico will always be remembered for his witty sense of humor, his loving heart, and the life advice he often gave to his family and friends. He often told folks to "Be Encouraged." He had a keen love for fixing all engines, whether large or small. There was nothing that he could not fix. He would often say, "If man made it, I can fix it."

Precious memories of his life and love will be cherished by: his loving wife of fifty-eight (58) years, Elizabeth M. Stephens; one daughter, Gloria Maxine Parker; two grandsons, Carl Jones, Jr. and Shawn Duncan (Tameka), all of Salisbury, Maryland; one granddaughter, Charmeka Parker (Katrina) of Malvern, Pennsylvania; three great-granddaughters, Shaunay, Shanyri, and Shariyah Duncan; one sister, Thelma Towns of Salisbury, Maryland; and special friends, Roy, a longtime work friend, Jesse, a go to man and spiritual brother, Tom, a McDonald's partner, and many others, as well as a host of nieces, nephews and other family and friends. He was preceded in death by two children, Luke Stephens and Linda Jones, nine sisters and one brother.

He would often say, "If I can help somebody as I travel along this way, then my living has not been in vain."

Lovingly Submitted ~ The Family

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# Tribute Wall

HF

“ My deepest condolences for the loss of your dear loved one. While nothing will completely take away your grief, by meditating on Gods promises found in the Bible, you can find real hope and the strength to keep going. My family and I have found the scripture at Isaiah 25:8 to be especially comforting. Here it promises that God "will swallow up death forever and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces."

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**H. Fields** - November 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ Dearest Mrs. Stephens. There are not words to express my deepest sympathy for your lost of Mr. Stephens. Just this morning is when I learned of Mr. Stephens' passing as I have been out of the country for several weeks. I just know my mom will be among those waiting to greet him as he enters his heavenly home. My prayers are with you and your family at this time of sorrow. May almighty God keep you in the palm of His mighty hand, grant you His peace and His blessings forever more.

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**Brenda Odoms Wade** - November 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Sending my deepest condolences filled with prayers and hugs to the family and friends of Past Grand Worthy Patron Mexico Stephens.

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**Sis Deidre Scurry (Truth Chapter #19, OES, PHA)** - November 09, 2018 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ Dear Elizabeth, we are so sorry to hear of your loss. We are still in Florida and will not be able to attend the services, but you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Ralph H Smith & Margaret Ann - November 07, 2018 at 12:00 AM

IR

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

Irene - November 05, 2018 at 12:00 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 - November 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ Sorry For Your Loss  
Jesus Christ Loves Me  
We Are Special

Thomas Widgeon - November 02, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ I am so sorry for your loss. May your precious memories of your time together help you through this time of sorrow and you can find strength in God's loving promise at( Isaiah 41: 10.)

JoyceA - November 02, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *On behalf of Victory Faith Worship Center, we extend our deepest condolences. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time*

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**Bishop Matthew and Pastor Cora Brown** - November 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM