



## Phillip H Blake Sr.

March 22, 1932 - April 24, 2016

The Reverend Phillip H. Blake, Sr. was born on March 22, 1932 in Wilson, North Carolina and departed this life on Sunday, April 24, 2016 at Walter Reed Naval Hospital in Bethesda, Maryland. Reverend Phillip H. Blake, Sr. was the son of the late Anna Richardson and Samuel Blake. He was raised by his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Isham Watson who gave him the name Alvin Watson. He received his early education at the Johnson County Training School (JCTS).

Reverend Phillip H. Blake, Sr. married his childhood sweetheart, Henrietta Austin, also of Smithfield, North Carolina. This union was blessed with seven children.

At the age of nineteen, he joined the United States Air Force. He was stationed at various locations within the U.S. and overseas to include Japan and Okinawa. He was also a Vietnam Veteran having served two tours in Vietnam. He served his country for 27 years and retired in 1977 at the rank of Master Sergeant. After his retirement from the Military, he attended Delaware State University (formerly Delaware State College) where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree, in Business Administration in 1984.

Reverend Phillip H. Blake, Sr. accepted Jesus Christ at the early age of sixteen. He was called into the ministry in the early seventies. He received his license to preach from Reverend Allen Jones. On March 20, 1978, he was called to pastor First Pilgrim Baptist Church in Camden, Delaware. Rev. Blake also pastored Friendship Baptist Church in Wilmington, Delaware and

Freedom Missionary Baptist Church in Minquandale, Delaware.

Reverend Phillip H. Blake was a dedicated husband and a loving father. He was a proud Grandfather who loved and adored all of his grandkids. He was also a proud Uncle who loved his many nieces and nephews. He believed in family so much that he founded the Blake-Richardson Family Reunion in July 1987. He enjoyed sharing the word of God with anyone and everyone. He was a spiritual support to many.

Reverend Phillip H. Blake was preceded in death by his sister, Clydie Washington and two brothers; Lee Hillary Watson, and Bobby Watson. He was also preceded in death by his daughter Phyllis Daughtery.

He leaves to cherish his memories, his loving wife, Henrietta Blake and six children; Stephen Blake (Virginia), Brenda Hopkins (Steven), Michael Blake (Marie), Debra Larregui (Richard), Rita Blake, and Phillip H. Blake Jr. Thirteen grandchildren; Jermaine Pegues, Trevor Blake, Regina Galloway (Greg), Eric Hopkins, Cameron Blake, Tamara Colden (Anthony), Latisha Brown (Michael), Angelina Pineda (Ryne), Darryl Bassett, Quenton Pegues, Michelle Blake, Danielle Larregui, Michael Blake II. Four great-grandchildren; Lisette Bencomo, Tiana Kitchen, Xavier Colden, and Brooke-Lynn Galloway. He leaves to mourn one sister-in-law Velma Watson and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives, and friends.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Phillip H Blake Sr., please visit our Heartfelt Sympathies Store.

# Tribute Wall

DA

“ *As two wings have lifted your loved one on to His Home on High, know the Blake family is thought of during this difficult time. May your family continue to carry the inner peace of understanding that there is everlasting life that lies beyond.*

*Dorphine Abrams-Rojas & Family*

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**Dorphine Abrams-Rojas** - May 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *THOUGHTS and PRAYERS are with YOU at this time*

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**BETTY SCHOOLFIELD** - May 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Extending deepest sympathy to family and friends in this time of sorrow. Please find comfort in knowing that soon all those in the memorial tombs will hear Jesus' voice and come out. (John 5:28,29) Util that blessed day, may the GOD of all comfort grant you peace (2 Cor. 1:3,4) while many fond memories of Phillip warm your hearts.*

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**A. Wingfield** - April 28, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Please accept my heartfelt condolences for the loss of your loved one, Phillip. I hope that you can find comfort in knowing that our Heavenly Father knows your pain. (Psalms 83:18) He promises us that soon, all those in the memorial tombs, or graves, will be resurrected to life in perfect conditions free from pain, sickness, suffering and death. (John 5:28,29) During this time, "He will wipe out every tear from their eyes and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore..." Revelation 21:4. May these promises provide the comfort that you need during your time of sadness.

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**Jackie R.** - April 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM