



## Russell Eugene Black

January 7, 1951 - May 11, 2020

Russell Eugene Black, affectionately known as Russ ” was born on January 7, 1951 in Wilmington, Delaware to the late Gertrude Black and Louis William Robinson. He transitioned from this life on Monday, May 11, 2020 in Salisbury, MD he was 69 years young.

He was educated in the public schools of Wilmington, Delaware. He was currently employed as a Bell Captain at the Clarion Hotel in Ocean City Maryland for over 26 years. His gentle and quiet spirit created valuable friendships to all he came in contact with.

Russell was a faithful member of the Calvary Pentecostal Church in Bishopville, Maryland as he served under the pastorate of Elder Rosie M. Hall. Russell started out in the church by volunteering his time and support to selling desserts after service to help raise money for the youth department. He also served on the hospitality committee as a First Sunday Greeter and Senior Care Assistant, he often sang with the men’s praise and worship team, but most importantly, he loved serving God and didn’t mind praising the Lord! One of Russell’s quotes were, Life has no remote, you’ve got to get up and change it yourself. He made that change by turning his life around and focusing on the positive things in life. In addition to serving God he loved spending time with his family and friends, the quiet serenity of photographing God’s nature, and dining out. Russell was a kind-hearted, soft spoken man whose presence and friendship will be greatly missed.

Russell is survived by his son, Shakhan (Tishanna) Toppin and granddaughter Ashlynn Toppin of Laurel, DE.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Shakhan & Tishannal am sorry for the loss of your father and father-in-law.*

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**Judy Fosque** - May 17, 2020 at 09:43 AM

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“ *Send my condolences to Russell's family. I was shocked to learn of his passing. Russell was a regular customer at 7-Eleven on 59th Street in Ocean City. Also friendly and a smile on his face. Rest easy Russell.*

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**Antoinette Hudson** - May 15, 2020 at 09:39 PM

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“ *I work with Russell for 9 years at the clarion hotel he was such a kind hearted person always ask if u were ok and called everyone kidd with 2 dd's may u fly high my friend i will miss u .Bridget Schaaf*

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**Bridget Schaaf** - May 13, 2020 at 10:56 PM