



Samuel H. Dodson III

October 22, 1952 - October 14, 2020

The earthly life of Samuel H. Dodson III, began on Wednesday, October 22, 1952, and ended on Wednesday, October 14, 2020, when the Lord called him home. Samuel was born to the late Samuel H. Dodson, Jr. and Elsie S. Dodson.

Sammy, as he was affectionately called, attended public school in three states, Virginia, Delaware and Maryland. Sammy graduated from Washington High School, Class of 1971, in Princess Anne, Maryland. He attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology (M.I.T.) for two years, and then decided to join the U.S. Army. Sammy was stationed all over the world and in the United States. He was a Decorated War Hero of Operation Desert Storm. He obtained two Bronze Stars, decorations, medals, badges, citations, and Campaign Ribbons Awards. He served over 14 years in the U.S. Army and returned to the Eastern Shore.

After retiring from the military, Sammy pursued a career as a Correctional Officer at Eastern Correctional Institution, (E.C.I.), in Westover, Maryland, and ultimately retired from there.

During his retirement, Sammy was a monthly visitor to Dover Air Force Base. He flew all over the world visiting friends and past places of deployment. He loved fast cars and those Baltimore Ravens.

Sammy never met a stranger, always had conversations.

Sammy leaves to cherish his memory, sons, Samuel H. Dodson IV (Amelia), Patrick A. Dodson (Sabrada) and Sharmar L. Milbourne Dodson; granddaughter, Aliyanah Q. Dodson; grandson, Samuel H. Dodson V; sister, Patricia L. Dodson Smack; niece, Vonderlear E. Smack; nephews, Ret. Master Sergeant Howard E. Smack, Jr. and Chief Kinzell V. Downing (Nacole); great niece, Octavia Smack; great nephews, Howard E. Smack III (Jasmine) and Na'Zire K. Downing; great-great niece, Eva Marie Smack; aunt, Lottie Pruitt; special sister, Enerstine Oney; visiting club members, Annie Farlow, Irma Owens, Eunice Harmon, Isabella Davis and Estella Ricketts; and a host of cousins, relatives and friends.