



## Samuel Eugene Murray

January 7, 1954 - February 4, 2024

### Samuel's Journey

Samuel Eugene Murray, son of the late Bishop Samuel Winfield Murray and the late Bishop Esther Abrams Murray, was born January 3, 1954, in Talbot County, Maryland. Samuel departed this life Sunday, February 4, 2024, at his home in Denton, Maryland.

Samuel graduated from North Caroline High School in Denton, Maryland with the class of 1972. During Sam's high school years, he was a star basketball player for the North Caroline Bulldogs. Sam continued his love for basketball, as well as football, and was an avid fan.

Samuel moved to Washington, DC immediately after graduation and remained there for much of his life. Samuel was employed by the Facilities (HVAC) Division of the District of Columbia, Office of Property Management, as a Maintenance Mechanic for thirty-six (36) years.

Sammy, Sam, or Sammy Gene as he was affectionately known to many, was proud to work for the Federal Government in its large building facilities, often boasting about how he was the one primarily responsible for making everyone feel comfortable with just the right amount of warmth and coolness throughout the day. Sammy also spoke about his gratefulness towards his cousin for

being instrumental in helping him to secure this employment.

One of Sam's goals was to further his education in his area of craft and workmanship. Therefore, he attended and graduated from Lincoln Technical School.

Sammy's teenage, into young adulthood sweetheart, was Sheila Wright, who preceded him in death. To this union was born a beautiful baby-girl, Chernika.

Sam eventually met and married Florence "Janet." To this union were born two handsome sons, Jamar and Samuel, Jr.

Sammy will be greatly missed by his family and friends. Sam enjoyed the many annual family functions that occurred throughout the year. His love for cooking, especially his barbeque meals, was always a big hit throughout the Spring and Summer months. Humorously, he was the successor of the original "Chef Boyardee" with his famous ribs, homemade seafood salad, crabmeat (deviled) "angel" eggs and coleslaw.

After Sam's retirement, he began to return home more often to aid and assist with his mother's care. Eventually, Sam moved back to Denton, the Eastern Shore, permanently, until his death.

Sam loved his music. His "Oldies but Goodies" were often playing. He could be heard singing out loud, especially to the tunes of one of his favorite groups, "The Whispers." Sam also loved playing pool and he began to spend a lot of his time, a few times a week, playing at Edwards All Star Barber Shop (and Billiards) with his good buddies.

Sammy leaves to cherish his memory: Daughter, Chernika Young; Sons, Jamar and Samuel, Jr.; Daughters-in-Law, Andrea (Jamar), Kristi (Samuel,

Jr.); Son-in-Law, Ivan (Chernika); Grandchildren, Isaiah and Kayla (Chernika), Marja, Andre, Amanda, Alexander, Adriana (Jamar), Samerra, Aayden, and Avery (Samuel, Jr.).

Sammy also leaves to mourn his loss: Siblings, Deborah (Michael-Deceased), Dennis (Bernice), David, Phyllis, Esther (Joseph) and John; "Aunt Thelma" Nichols and a host of cousins, nieces and nephews.

SUBMITTED WITH LOVE ~ THE FAMILY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 17. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Luke's Methodist Church (Denton)  
100 South 5th Ave.  
Denton, MD 21629

## Funeral Service

FEB 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

RC

“ To my dear cousin.. my words can't even express how grateful it was to have you in my life.. the things you taught me the we protected each other..we were suppose to be around each for long time!! One love Sammy 🕊️

Reginald Butler his cousin - March 28, 2024 at 05:30 AM

JM

“ I absolutely loved Sammy! He always made me smile, and he was a good friend of My uncle Winston( who proceeded him in death). I would run into Sammy all over DC, and he was always smiling. Rest in God. Love always Jacqui Manuel 💔💔🕊️🙏

Jacqueline Manuel - February 18, 2024 at 08:41 AM

AC

“ Angela Campbell lit a candle in memory of Samuel Eugene Murray



Angela Campbell - February 17, 2024 at 02:53 PM

AC

Rest in Peace Cousin

Angela Campbell - February 17, 2024 at 02:55 PM

RS

Reggie butler! To my favorite cousin.. One love.. I'll see you one day..

Reggie Butler! Velma lee Butler son - February 18, 2024 at 07:48 PM

RS

*Reggie Butler!! Velma butler Son*

**Reggie Butler! Velma lee Butler son** - February 18, 2024 at 07:49 PM

JF

“ *Jeff, Lisa, Camryn and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Samuel Eugene Murray.*

**Jeff, Lisa, Camryn and family** - February 16, 2024 at 12:10 PM

JF

“ *Jeff, Lisa, Camryn and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Samuel Eugene Murray.*



**Jeff, Lisa, Camryn and family** - February 16, 2024 at 12:10 PM

TF

“ *The Boston Family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Samuel Eugene Murray.*



**The Boston Family** - February 16, 2024 at 08:38 AM

LF

“ *Laura Coates and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Samuel Eugene Murray.*



**Laura Coates and family** - February 15, 2024 at 02:58 PM

MB

“ So sorry to hear. Fly high on the mountain my friend.  
Mike Bennington Class of '72

Mike Bennington - February 15, 2024 at 11:17 AM

YB

“ Your friends and coworkers at BCBSA purchased  
the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of  
Samuel Eugene Murray.



Your friends and coworkers at BCBSA - February 14, 2024 at  
08:27 PM

TW

“ Adrian and I sure gonna miss Uncle Sammy  
and all the laughs over the years.



Tiffany M Wright - February 13, 2024 at 06:16 PM

CY

“ Clay & Anna Young purchased the Emerald Gard  
en Basket for the family of Samuel Eugene  
Murray.



Clay & Anna Young - February 13, 2024 at 04:34 PM

CY

“ Clay & Anna Young planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Samuel Eugene Murray.

Clay & Anna Young - February 13, 2024 at 04:34 PM

SJ

“ Stephanie Jefferson lit a candle in memory of Samuel Eugene Murray



Stephanie Jefferson - February 13, 2024 at 02:54 PM

GW

“ OB SAMMY. WILL never forget our days in DC. ALWAYS remember your BRICK HOUSE-MIGHTY MIGHTY. WE SHARED GREAT MEMORIES. LOVE FROM YOUR SISTER GWENDOLYN!

Gwendolyn B. Wright - February 13, 2024 at 01:56 PM

TW

“ Tina Woomer lit a candle in memory of Samuel Eugene Murray



Tina Woomer - February 13, 2024 at 01:07 PM