



Wilfred Jones

January 25, 1930 - November 15, 2014

Wilfred Jones was born January 25, 1930 in Manhattan [Harlem], New York to the late Jesse Jones and Myra Byers Besson. He was the oldest of five children- Norman (deceased) and Beverly (deceased). Most of his education was received in the State of New York.

Wilfred joined the U.S. Army in August, 1948 and he first served in the Korean War in 1950, was wounded and recovered to serve in Japan and was married to Mise (deceased). In the 1950's, Wilfred and family relocated stateside and lived several years in Boston, Massachusetts. In the middle 1960's Wilfred served in Germany until he retired in 1971 after 22 years of honorable service to his country. In 1968-69, he also served in Vietnam. In 1994, Wilfred relocated permanently stateside to Belcamp, Maryland. He resided at this location until the year 2011. His health became a challenge and he agreed to relocate to the State of Delaware where his final address was at the State of Delaware Veterans Home in Milford, Delaware. He accepted Christ again as his personal Savior when he came to live in Delaware.

Wilfred was determined to learn while he was in the service many other skills that earned him several medals and awards. To name a few of the medals received were: The National Defense, Vietnam Service, Veterans of Foreign Wars and member of The National Geographic Society. Among several occupations while serving, Wilfred became an expert rifleman. He was connected to the 24th Regimental Combat team among others. Being in the Korean War, Wilfred proudly became a member of the elite "Buffalo Soldiers"

which was coined for "colored men only". This group has since integrated and expanded to be widely known as "Blockhouse Soldiers". He joined the M.W. Prince Hall of Masons while living in Germany which was based out of the State of Oklahoma. He became the highest ranking officer which is "Worshipful Master". He proudly retired as Staff Sergeant.

Wilfred traveled abroad mostly in Europe and some Caribbean islands. The family never knew when he would pop by to pay a visit. He suddenly was knocking at your door. Wilfred is survived by his children, Takashi Jones of Somerville, Massachusetts, Daniel, Angela and Myra Heinrich of Germany, two sisters- Marilyn Pyron (Edward) of Passaic, New Jersey and Tamar Jones of Smyrna, DE., a sister-in-law, grandchildren, nephews, nieces and a host of relatives and friends.

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Tribute Wall

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“ Dear family of Wilfred Jones - I am sorry to hear of your loss. May the Creator give you peace through his sure promise to comfort us (2 Corinthians 1:3, 4). Cherish all your happy memories and I hope you are consoled by Bible promises (John 17:3).

Judith Johnson - November 23, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear Bobby,

*My prayers are with you during this time. May our Lord give you courage, strength, and comfort.
I send you my condolences.*

In deepest sympathy,

*Marguerite
(adjunct in English at DSU)*

Marguerite Samuels - November 17, 2014 at 12:00 AM