



ALFRED WALLACE FORDE

July 7, 1954 - May 19, 2026

Mr. Alfred Wallace Forde, 71, of Fort Washington, Maryland transitioned into the presence of his Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ on May 19, 2026, surrounded by family. Alfred, better known as Wallace by his loved ones, was the eighth child born to the late Arnold Reginald Forde and Mavis Elaine Griffith-Forde in Santa Cruz, Trinidad and Tobago, West Indies. He was married to Ionis Theresa Browne in May 1985, and from this union, they had four children: the late Reginald "Sunshine" Forde, the late "Baby" Forde, Mirandy B.K. Forde, and Matthew W.A. Forde. Wallace was a devoted and loving father, son, uncle, and great-uncle.

During his early years in Belmont, Trinidad, Wallace attended St. Margaret's Boys Primary School and South East Port of Spain Government Secondary School where he enjoyed playing soccer and cricket. In 1972, Wallace immigrated to the United States of America with his mother and sister Jeremin Forde-Worlds. He spent a short time in Brooklyn, New York, later relocating to Alexandria, Virginia, and then Landover, Maryland. He attended the University of the District of Columbia (UDC) where he made the Dean's List on multiple occasions and graduated with a bachelor's degree in accounting.

During his time at UDC, Wallace fostered his love for soccer, playing almost

every day, traveling often to Canada for tournaments and games with his soccer team "Juniors" and collecting many championship trophies. Wallace's outstanding athleticism and signature silver Chevy Monte Carlo garnered him the nickname "Silver Fox." He was fondly known as "Fox" by his closest friends and teammates. Upon his graduation from UDC, he earned his Certified Public Accountant credentials and worked for several accounting firms in the DMV area, and eventually starting his own firm, Forde Accounting & Tax Services. Wallace was a devoted father and kept Mirandy and Matthew involved in numerous sports and afterschool activities, which earned him the Father of the Year and Cheer Dad of the Year for many years at his children's school and their Boys and Girls Club.

Wallace is survived by his children Mirandy and Matthew; his siblings Veronica, Jeremin, Eulene, Norris, Lenora, and John; and many nieces, nephews, a great-niece, three great-nephews, a great-great-niece, and a great-great-nephew. He was preceded in death by his parents Arnold Reginald Forde, and Mavis Elaine Griffith-Forde; and siblings Kenneth Forde, Lystra Forde-Moore, Hollis Forde, and Mitchison Forde.

Though Wallace had many close friends, the companionship and friendships he cherished deeply and spoke of most often were those of Darlene Jordan, Seco Moore, Earl Moore, and Jillian Moore-Quashie and the late Garthleen Thomas.

We love you and we will forever miss you, Daddy. You can rest now; we will take it from here.

Cemetery Details

Heritage Memorial

13472 Poplar Hill Rd
Waldorf, MD 20601

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Pope Funeral Home Forestville Chapel
5538 MARLBORO PIKE
FORESTVILLE, MD 20747

Funeral Service

JUN 4. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pope Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of ALFRED WALLACE FORDE*



Pope Funeral Homes - June 04 at 11:05 AM

AK

Omg the service was so beautiful I love everything best tribute to a wonderful and exceptional Man may he continue to Rest in peace

Akila - June 04 at 02:37 PM

SH

“ *Sandra L. Hughes lit a candle in memory of ALFRED FORDE*



Sandra L. Hughes - June 04 at 06:50 PM

“*Condolences to the children of my cousin Wallace. I didn't know Wallace well since we had a big age gap and lived in different States; but there was no doubt though that Wallace was greatly loved and well regarded by his late Uncle my father Leslie Conrad Hughes who was instrumental in raising Wallace and his siblings as youths in Trinidad. In my limited interactions with Wallace there was no doubt that he a great father who loved his surviving children greatly. I had a rather disciplined upbringing , greatly loved by my parents but there were codes of conducts for children of Caribbean descent for sure in my household (Uncle ran a tight ship). What I respected about Wallace and this is one of two poignant memories of him in my presence is that he had a relaxed parenting approach with his children in their very young formative years . His children were allowed to be "spirited" if that is even a word used to describe an individual ;but if you grew up in a West Indian home you have an idea of what I'm referring too. He let them be kids with all the stuff that kids do to make you a little cra cra and as a result his son and daughter seemed to bask and flourish with his ease. He was loyal and a very present Co parent after his divorce and along with his late Mother my Aunt Mavis he made sure his children were well fed and cared for during their regular visits with their Dad. He was a Renaissance man in that regard coupled with his academic and professional accomplishments I know my father his Uncle was very very proud of the Man his nephew had become. To me a measure of a Man is defined by how well they love and care for their children and like my own father, Alfred Wallace Forde was par none . His legacy was his love for his children and support of them his desire to be present even as his illness progressed it did not discourage him; but I believe motivated and propelled to do more and be more for his adult children, to make sure they were ok. It was mutual as well because his children never left his side allowing him to engage in the world on his own terms with an athlete's will to endure , survive and thrive. My Dad's nephew , my cousin won at this game called life. He was successful using all the metrics...he was well regarded by friends and family , colleagues and teammates. Now, Wallace sits at the right hand of the Father, I believe he was greeted*

on May 19th 2026 by his parents and his children, siblings and friends who had gone before as well as my Dad all welcoming him to his Heavenly home . Well done my Good and faithful servant is what I'm sure Wallace heard as he entered the Kingdom. Rest in Power Wallace . Say hi to my Dad. Your cousin, Sandra

Sandra L. Hughes - June 04 at 02:17 PM

KC

“ *My name is Kwame Cowie and I am the President of South East Port of Spain Secondary School Alumni Association. On behalf of the Association, I extend condolences to the family and loved ones of Wallace.*

Kwame Cowie - June 03 at 04:16 PM

JP

My condolences to the Forde family

Judith A Phillip - June 04 at 02:13 PM

NF

“ *It was with great sadness that I received the notification for the passing of Wallace Forde, who I have seen for over forty odd years. May he rest in eternal peace, and I ask God to grant his family the strength to coe with his departure.*

Norris Ferguson - June 03 at 03:29 PM

FF

“ *From The Forde Family purchased the Blessed Heart for the family of ALFRED WALLACE FORDE.*



From The Forde Family - June 03 at 02:10 PM