



## Mr. Calvin Gooding

May 27, 1942 - March 19, 2024

Calvin Gooding was born on May 27, 1942, in Kinston, NC to the late Mr. and Mrs. Usher and Lula Gooding. He was educated in the Kinston public schools and graduated from Adkin High School. As a youth, he was an accomplished swimmer and swam competitively with the Holloway Sharks Swim Team in Kinston.

He was also a member of the Shaw AFB Swim Team in SC, and a Water Safety

Instructor where he obtained his certification which provides the most comprehensive training for swim instructors for The American Red Cross.

Calvin was

also a stand-out baseball player at Adkin High School, and played for several semi-pro teams in Kinston, NC, Sumter, SC, and in Washington, DC. His military friends would often brag about how he would hit the ball so far that it could

not be seen thereafter.

In 1960, Calvin joined the United States Air Force where he served 4 years and

was a 5-point veteran in the Vietnam War. He attended the U.S. Army Engineer

School at Ft. Belvoir, VA as a Photomapping Negative Engraver from 1960-1964.

He also attended Allen University in Columbia, SC.

In June of 1963, Calvin was united in holy matrimony to Doris Glisson at Shaw AFB, SC which lasted a lifelong 61 years.

In January of 1966, he began employment with the U.S. Geological Survey in Arlington, VA as a Cartographic Drafter and a Photogrammetrist. He eventually

transferred to the U.S. Geological Survey National Center in Reston, VA where

he retired after 27 years from the Federal Government. He was later employed at

The National Academy of Sciences, The Washington Post as a Safety and Security

Supervisor, and at Inova Fairfax Hospital in the Security Division.

Calvin dearly loved God the Father and His Holy Son Jesus the Christ. He received God's salvation in October 1970 and received the blessed baptism of the

Holy Spirit in January 1971.

His other hobbies included: deer hunting, fishing, camping, boating/canoeing, gardening, tennis and handy-man projects.

Calvin Gooding's legacy is carried on by his loving wife, Doris; his children, Carolyn Okoroji, Marcelle Curtis, Michelle Carlyle, Calvin, Andre, and April Gooding; his special grandson Ryan; brother-in-law Herbert Lee; sister in-law Joyce

Brunson; son-in-law Fred Carlyle; a revered son, Freddie Walker; honorable friends, Larry Gulley, William Hamm, and Oscar Fuller. His adored six grandchildren, and a host of nieces, and nephews who will miss his absence, along with

a wide circle of friends and colleagues.

# Cemetery Details

## MARYLAND VETERANS CHELTENHAM

11301 CRAIN HIGHWAY  
Cheltenham, MD 20623

# Previous Events

## Viewing

APR 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

APR 6. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Pope Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Calvin Gooding



Pope Funeral Homes - April 06, 2024 at 10:36 AM



“ 4 files added to the album Program



Silent Reading of Reflections of Life

Dedication Selection

Words of Comfort by Minister Arleatha Rose

Song Selection

Sharing of Memories  
Family & Friends

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In 1961, Calvin joined the United States Air Force where he served 10 years and was a flight instructor in the Vietnam War. He attended the U.S. Army Engineer School at Ft. Belvoir, VA as a Phosphoryl Fluoride Engineer from 1968-1969. He also attended Ohio University as a Graduate, VA.

In June of 1969, Calvin was married to both women in their lifetime at their home in Shaw 1986, VA which lasted 37 years.

In January of 1966, he began employment with the U.S. Geological Survey in Arlington, VA as a Cartographic Draftsman and a Phosphorographer. He eventually transferred to the U.S. Geological Survey National Center in Reston, VA where he worked for 27 years from the Federal Government. He has been employed at The National Academy of Sciences, The Washington Post as a Safety and Security Supervisor, and at home health provided in the Society Services.

Calvin dearly loved his Father and his Holy Day from the Church. He received God's salvation in October 1970 and received the Blessed Baptism of the Holy Spirit in January 1975.



Pope Funeral Homes - April 11, 2024 at 04:44 PM



“ Glyceria Ingram lit a candle in memory of Calvin Gooding , Sr.



Glyceria Gooding Ingram - April 06, 2024 at 12:13 PM

PP

“ *Love and Prayers to Doris and Family*

Peter and Pam - April 05, 2024 at 05:36 PM

FW

“ *It is with a heavy heart, that I send my condolences to Ms. Doris and the family on the passing of my "God-father," Mr. Calvin. I pray that God will bless each one of you with the strength, peace and calm needed as you deal with his passing. It is even sadder, because I did not know that our last good-bye, was the last one. But, I am so thankful for each moment shared with him, and for our conversations. He will be missed. All Our Love and Prayers, Fred and Joy Walker*

Fred and Joy Walker - April 05, 2024 at 08:23 AM

MI

*Thank you Freddie, my father loved you like a son and you were mentioned as that in part of his obituary. Much love to you and your family.*

Michelle - April 07, 2024 at 04:25 PM

IF

“ *Cousin Doris and family, you all have our condolences. I remember when you all came down to the family reunion and we all had such a wonderful time fellowshiping with one another. Calvin will be greatly missed, but to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. The Lord give you peace and comfort during this time of bereavement. God bless you all in Jesus Christ Name. 🙏❤️*

Ivory M. Mitchell & family - April 02, 2024 at 01:12 PM

MI

*Thank You all kindly for your words and love....Michelle*

Michelle - April 07, 2024 at 04:24 PM

EB

“ Love and prayers to Calvin's wife Doris and all the family ...we treasure your summers here in Lockeport,NS...so blessed to have you in our lives...May God's comfort be all over you all today and the days ahead as you adjust to life without your husband , dad and grandfather...  
We love your family...Elayne & Al Bradley

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**Elayne Bradley** - April 01, 2024 at 08:14 AM

AR

“ Calvin will be thoroughly missed. He was a wonderful brother in Christ—my condolences to Sister Doris and the family. Adriana

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**Adriana Roach** - March 27, 2024 at 02:18 PM

MC

Thanks Ms. Adriana. He cared for you much.

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**Michelle Carlyle** - April 01, 2024 at 06:00 PM

MG

“ Cousin Doris and the family. Praying that God would comfort and strengthen you. Glad you all were able to attend the Glisson Family Reunion in Sumter SC 2019. Cousin Calvin will be missed!!!

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**Mario Glisson** - March 26, 2024 at 02:18 PM

MC

Thank You

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**Michelle Carlyle** - April 01, 2024 at 05:58 PM

SD

“ My sympathies go out to the family of Calvin Gooding. We grew up together in Kinston, NC. We attended grade school and high school where we shared all classes. He was a very good student and athlete. Though our parents didn't know each other, we both got excellent home training and learned the lessons of the Bible. He had a great career in government service and frequently talked about his trips to Nova Scotia in the summer. While his earthly deeds are done may he rest peacefully now!

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**Sam Dove** - March 24, 2024 at 09:04 PM

VA

Calvin was a great friend and classmate. A great athlete and student. We were classmates at Adkin senior high school. Rest in heavenly peace Calvin.

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**Vera Andrew** - March 26, 2024 at 09:40 PM

MC

Thanks for your kind words...Michelle

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**Michelle Carlyle** - April 01, 2024 at 06:00 PM

PB

My Heart Felt Condolences to Sis. Doris Gooding and Family, Bro. Gooding was truly a man of GOD. May GOD continue to bless and keep you all in HIS loving arms in your loss.

*Pamela Berry-Jeter*

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**Pamela Berry** - April 03, 2024 at 06:31 PM

CO

“ Dad,  
You will truly be missed. No more pain! May your soul rest well. Love Always.  
*Carolyn Taylor Okoroji*



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**Carolyn Okoroji** - March 23, 2024 at 05:14 PM

MC

*Yes, No more pain. Thanks Carolyn!*

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**Michelle Carlyle** - April 01, 2024 at 05:59 PM

JP

*To the Doris and the gooding you have my deepest sympathies will keep the family in prayer.*

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**Jeannette page** - April 06, 2024 at 10:42 AM