



Mr. Fred Julius McCoy, Sr.

December 10, 1937 - June 4, 2021

Reverend Fred Julius McCoy was born to the late Connie and Annie Mae McCoy in Kershaw, South Carolina. He attended South Carolina public schools and at an early age attended Sandy Grove Methodist Church, also in Kershaw. Upon moving to Washington D.C., Fred joined Union Wesley AME Zion Church. He later enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and after leaving military service met and married the former Earlean Hardy. They were joined in Holy Matrimony on August 24, 1957. From this union, they had four children: Patrice, Janet, Shereese and Fredrick.

Fred first learned his trade as an Offset Pressman at Rueben H. Donnelly Publishing Company in Washington, DC. The skills he acquired there led him to employment at the U.S. Department of Treasury, also as an Offset Pressman, later running the largest multi-color press of that time. In 2003, Fred retired from the Department of Treasury after 37 years of service. Before departing, he received the Albert Gallatin Award, one of the highest recognitions at the Department of Treasury, awarded for professionalism and integrity, traits that were his hallmarks in every personal and business dealing.

On a very personal level, but widely known by the people who knew and loved him well, Fred also had a penchant for the culinary flairs of life. He enjoyed baking delectable cakes and cooking his celebrated and yet to be duplicated savory, comforting, and palate-pleasing cabbage for intimate family

gatherings. He especially loved baking and sharing his cakes with members of the church. There's nothing like a man who can cook! To add to his many strengths and talents, Fred Julius McCoy was a DIYer before DIYers became popular. This caused his wife to endear him as the "Jack of All Trades, Master of None," an affectionately esteemed title.

Speaking of esteem, in 1987 under the Ecumenical Ordination Service of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion, the African Methodist Episcopal, the Christian Methodist Episcopal and the United Methodist Church, Fred was ordained a Deacon. He subsequently was ordained an Elder in 1989. In ministry, Fred served in many capacities including visiting and praying for the sick, assisting the Pastor during Sunday worship services, attending and teaching Sunday School and doing street ministry, spreading the Gospel everywhere he went. His effectual and fervent commitment led him to be coined "The Subway Minister," a lighthearted nickname that carried a tremendous weight of responsibility and caring to execute.

Fred J. McCoy represents a rare and influential breed of man who remained vested in family, church and community. Because of his fatherhood, his daughters can gauge and appreciate the true measure of a man. His son can be upstanding and forthright by his father's example. His wife shares the fruits of a lifelong partner who refused to recoil from the challenge of commitment. Their longevity is a testament to his faithfulness, and his legacy, deeply rooted in family love and values and the love of the Lord, will continue to inspire for generations. May his soul rest in eternal Peace.

Fred Julius McCoy leaves to cherish his memory: his wife Earlean, children Patrice Barber, Janet Proctor (Donnell), Shereese Gordon (Terry Sr.) and Fredrick McCoy; sister Ella Luke, brother David McCoy; sister-in-law Belvyn Pyles; grandchildren Lakia Barber-Lyle (Christopher), Julius McCoy, Brittney

Barber, Corey McCoy, Terry Gordon Jr, Lytice Gordon, Robert Gordon, Jacari McCoy; great grandchildren: Jewels McCoy, Kingston Green, and Aaron Lyle and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Cemetery Details

MARYLAND VETERANS CHELTENHAM

11301 CRAIN HIGHWAY
Cheltenham, MD 20623

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUN 24. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

JUN 24. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Pope Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Fred Julius McCoy, Sr.



Pope Funeral Homes - June 24, 2021 at 11:23 AM

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A gentle giant

Myra J Strauss - June 25, 2021 at 03:01 PM

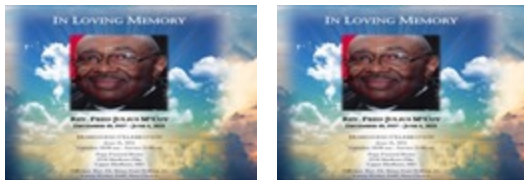
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“ Mr. Fred Julius McCoy, Sr.

January 28, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Mr. Fred Julius McCoy, Sr.*

January 28, 2023 at 10:26 AM



“ *My condolences to the family... Rev. Fred McCoy's Celebration of Life service was a touching reminder that, admittedly or not, we all are connected in some way or another and share many similarities in experiences. From his profession as an Offset Pressmen (same as my dad), to one of his favorite scriptures (from the book of Isaiah, same as my dad's), to the singing of My Soul is Anchored in the Lord (one of my mom's favorite's, also sung at her homegoing), how he was a Protector... and he sounds like he still is. He definitely did the work to protect his legacy and preserve family integrity even as he journeys on... All the lives and souls he touched are an example of how the "sewing" of spiritual threads brings depth, substance, and beauty to life's unfolding Human Family. Hearing and seeing his life's contributions and how he inspired so many people is something to behold. The world could use a lot more "daddy," grand daddy, husband, brother, and friend examples like his. God Bless Rev. Fred Julius McCoy, and thanks for allowing me to share in his memory with you.*

SDK - June 25, 2021 at 08:05 PM



“ *Your Family is being thought about and wished much comfort in the days and weeks to come. Hoping it will ease your sorrow to know that many are thinking of you at this difficult time.*

Lila . Stroud

Lila Y. Stroud - June 24, 2021 at 11:14 AM

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“ *What I remember most about Fred, is he had a great sense of humor. He always made me laugh. RIP*



Belvyn Pyles - June 24, 2021 at 10:43 AM

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“ *Ernestine McCaskill lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Julius McCoy, Sr.*



Ernestine McCaskill - June 24, 2021 at 10:19 AM

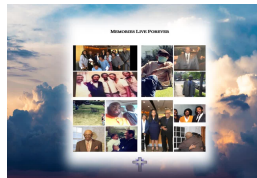
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“ *Fred will be greatly missed. Nannie Seegars and family*

Ernestine McCaskill - June 24, 2021 at 10:18 AM



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Pope Funeral Homes - June 23, 2021 at 10:30 AM

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“ I believe his departure from us was much like Elijah's - on a chariot of fire - what a vision - Amen. His mantle of ministry, falling like a "cloak" from the sky, fills the hearts of believers and unbelievers with his everlasting message: "If it's God's will - I will".
In loving memory of a dear friend and with unspeakable joy for his redeemed soul, I share this heartfelt expression.
Coram Deo,
(Latin phrase translated - "in the presence of God")

Elizabeth Byrd - June 22, 2021 at 06:57 AM