



## Mr. Millard S. Pitts

April 5, 1971 - July 17, 2022

Millard S. Pitts, better known as "Pooch" to family and friends, was born on April 5, 1971 in Washington, DC to Maxine Pitts-Sparks and the late Miller Pitts. He was the youngest of seven children and he and his siblings were raised in Northeast, Washington, DC. As a child, Millard had a bright personality and was always making jokes. He had an enormous sense of humor. Two of his favorite past times as a child included swimming and playing basketball. He played youth basketball for the Woodridge Warriors and high school basketball for McKinley Tech High School. During his senior year, he met the love of his life, Kimberly Pitts and graduated from McKinley Tech in 1989. Millard and Kim fell in love and were inseparable. They started their lives together, later married, and remained together for 33 years.

Millard attended Montgomery Community College where he also played basketball and obtained an Associate Degree. His lifelong passion has always been to assist people in any way that he could. Millard had various jobs but when his career began at the District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department in the Fifth District in 2003, it allowed him to do what he loved; helping others. He enjoyed working at the Fifth District for many years but was later transferred to the First District. While at the First District, he held various positions and served as a Mountain Bike Police, and a Shop Stewart for the District of Columbia Police Union where he ensured members' rights were always protected. One of Millard's memorable accomplishment was being

recognized and awarded for helping to rescue senior citizens from a burning apartment building in Southeast, Washington, DC located in the 900 block of 5th St on September 2018. His strong physical presence, contagious smile, protective spirit, and magnetic personality made him a joy to be around. He was a friend for life to anyone he treasured. Millard enjoyed interacting and greeting everyone, helped neighbors, checked in on people, visited the sick, mentored the youth, expunged criminal records for individuals, coached youth basketball and football teams, served as a basketball referee, but most importantly, truly loved his family and friends. Millard was a pillar of the community.

Words to describe Millard include: Honest, Courageous, Fearless, Loyal, Trustworthy, Respectful, Responsible, Protector, Caring, Compassionate, Integrity, Strong, Humorous, Dependable, Inspirational, Motivator, Peacemaker, Generous, Intelligent, Knowledgeable, and a true Leader who stood for what was right!!!

Millard was called to eternal rest peacefully at the University of Maryland Capital Region Medical Center on July 17, 2022. He was preceded in death by his father, Miller Pitts, his brother, Ricardo Clifford, and his sister Nikita Clifford. Millard leaves to cherish his memories, his wife, Kimberly Pitts, mother Maxine Pitts-Sparks (Frank), brothers Phillip Kennedy and Frank Sparks IV, sisters, Phyllis Collins (Ben), Charlene Clifford, Jackie Clifford, and a host of nephews, nieces, relatives and friends. He was truly loved and will be missed by many.

If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.

Romans 14:8

Services will be held Tuesday August 9, 2022 at Ebenezer AME Church

Viewing will begin at 9:30 am Service to follow at 11:00 am Interment  
Harmony Memorial Park Cemetery

Services will be streamed through Ebenezer AME Church. Below you will find  
the link to access Mr. Pitts service.

Ebenezer AME Church : <https://ebenezerame.org/>

# Cemetery Details

## HARMONY MEMORIAL PARK

7101 Sheriff Rd  
LANDOVER, MD 20785

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

AUG 9. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Ebenezer AME Church  
7707 Allentown Road  
Fort Washington,, MD 20744

## Funeral Service

AUG 9. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Ebenezer AME Church  
7707 Allentown Road  
Fort Washington,, MD 20744

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Millard S. Pitts*

January 28, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Mr. Millard S. Pitts*

January 28, 2023 at 10:26 AM



“ *I loved my nephew so very much and he loved me! God gave me an opportunity to see him just before he went to heaven at the sweet potato cake bakery. We were neighbors and when I saw him in public we would have a conversation. This particular time , I wrapped my arms around his waist and hugged him tight. He was so tall and I am so short. He immediately told the bakery owner that I was his aunt. I was so tickled because Pooch was embarrassed and I had never done that to him before in public. I thank God for giving me that moment to express my love for him. Please continue to pray for our family. I know the power of prayer and we need your prayers more than ever. Please send extra prayers for his wife, Kimberly. Aunt Roslyn*

**Aunt Roslyn** - August 23, 2022 at 10:15 AM

LI

“ Millard was one of the best people I have known very much loved by myself and my family ...I Wow will miss him . I had so many names for him but my favorites will be Millhouse and Tacklebe Wow rry . The community grieves... we go way back from Brookland . I hadn't see you in a few . I know my mom will miss him and their lunches ... Rest In Peace I'm sure you have found Jimmy and Big Poppa until the next time we meet on the other side ...prayers to the family and all who loved him RIP Millhouse

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**lisa** - August 20, 2022 at 11:47 AM

RK

“ Brother Pitts, thank you for our extremely deep conversation July 7, 2022; We shared our stories with each other, talked about it for a bit, and you made me see and understand what God has done for me, and you told me to be patient and watch God work... 🙏🙏  
....My heart melted, and because of what you went through, still going through, and how God sat you down, and took you out of the game..... You said things happened the way they did to me, because God has taken me out of the game, so I can see what God really has for me.....Pitts, I couldn't see, until we talked on July 7th.....Thank You, my Brother.....Rest Easy, and until we meet again.... 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

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**Retired Ofc. Kelvin King** - August 09, 2022 at 12:27 PM

RP

“ Dear Family, Officer Millard Pitts will always live on in my memory. We developed a bond that became a really great friendship because of the community work. The businesses loved him on H Street, NE, they loved him in Southeast. There was nowhere that he went that people weren't drawn to him. He always helped out even when he was on limited duty. He helped us put together our events at the station and out in the community. There were times that were really rough for him, but he always wanted to get well and come back to full duty. His love of the community and Ward 6 will never be forgotten.

Chief Contee said it best, Millard was a really good person and I think that made him a better Police Officer. Thank you for sharing him with us.

*Bobby Pittman  
Chairman  
First District Police Citizens' Advisory Council, Inc.*

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**Robert Pittman** - August 09, 2022 at 10:33 AM



“ Jackie Clifford lit a candle in memory of Mr. Millard S. Pitts



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**Jackie Clifford** - August 08, 2022 at 04:39 PM

AB

“ I am so sorry for your loss, please accept my condolences. I met Millard working at Washington Hospital Center. He was a great co-worker and friend always smiling, friendly and helpful. I saw Millard a couple years ago in the grocery and we started talking and joking as though it was yesterday and not years we hadn't seen each other. I will miss you Millard.  
Antoinette

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**Antoinette Benoit** - August 08, 2022 at 01:27 PM

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“ at a loss for words... you are a beautiful person always looking out for someone other than yourself. I miss you and I love you.

*John 14:1-6*

*“What God creates God loves, and what God loves God loves everlastingly.”*

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**Timothy Taylor** - August 08, 2022 at 12:32 PM

IR

“ Iris lit a candle in memory of Mr. Millard S. Pitts



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**Iris** - August 05, 2022 at 02:34 PM

CA

“ To the Pitts Family.....Millard will truly, truly be missed! He and Kim live right across the street from me and they both always greeted us with a smile and kind words. They checked our mail while we were on vacation, many times! Whenever these two "seasoned citizens" had trouble with snow, our generator, leaf blower, etc., we could always count on Millard. But, the one thing Millard made it known not to call him for was snake removal! We had one stuck on a pest trap in our garage and Millard wasn't home, so I called another neighbor for help. The next day when I saw Millard, I said to him, "Hey, we had a snake in our garage and I was about to call you, but you weren't home." Millard immediately said, "Call me for what?" I told him to help get rid of the snake. He was like, "Um, you were not going to call me for a snake!" The serious look on his face had me cracking up! He was sooooo serious giving me the "where is the snake now" look.

*I will miss him dearly and I get emotional when I look over and see his truck sitting there, knowing Millard will not be driving it again. May God bless and keep Kimberly and his family!*

*Cheryl*

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**Cheryl Alston** - August 05, 2022 at 11:45 AM

CA

“ Cheryl Alston lit a candle in memory of Mr. Millard S. Pitts



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**Cheryl Alston** - August 05, 2022 at 11:37 AM

CB

“ My heart felt condolences to the Pitts family on the passing of Millard. I first met him years ago at the Warner Theater as the security supervisor, when they added MPD officers there for all our shows. I had a great working relationship and friendship with him and the other MPD officers working part-time there. The contract ended about 5 after he started.

My company moved me to manage our security contract at the Washington Convention Center. I was there a year or two walking through there Grand Lobby, and I heard someone call my name. I turned around and it was Millard, and he told me he was working there now. Over the years there we worked may events together, and we saw each other frequently with the last time being in early July we spoke at a event.

He was a kindred spirit always, and he will be additionally missed at the Washington Convention Center. He have a picture of him hung up in our Command Center for about a year or more where he helped the ambulance staff carry a person to their truck. He is another spirit gone too soon, and his memory will live on in the minds of his family, friends, and coworkers forever. He was a good people.

My the father ease your pain in the coming days, weeks, and years because he is with him now at peace.



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Carlton Brathwaite - July 29, 2022 at 01:00 PM

RF

“ Rest easy brother! Till we meet again...

Ryan Ford - July 26, 2022 at 06:34 AM

MW

“ In loving memory of Millard S. Pitts, Millard you are dearly loved and so very sadly missed. It's extremely challenging to come to the realization with acknowledging your physical presence is no longer with us. I wasn't able to tell my mom you are longer with us because I know you mean so much to her, I also didn't want to get emotional while telling her so I asked Michelle to do it. I reached out to my brother yesterday and he said he would pray for you and your family. REST IN HEAVEN 💕💕



Melinda Williams - July 23, 2022 at 01:13 PM

MW

“ Prayers for the Pitts family. Rest my friend.



Melinda Williams - July 19, 2022 at 10:12 PM