



## Wayne Ellis David

June 7, 1973 - August 28, 2024

Wayne Ellis David began his life journey on June 7, 1973, and finished it in the line of duty on August 28, 2024, bravely doing what he loved so much and did so well: protecting and serving the District of Columbia as an officer of the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD).

In uniform among his MPD colleagues, he was known as Investigator David. But away from the Police Department, he was "Goldie," an affectionate nickname inspired by the film *The Mack* (but Goldie in a good way).

A DC native, Wayne attended Noyes Elementary and Taft Junior High Schools and graduated from McKinley Technology High School. He was a great student beloved by his teachers. He also attended trade school, but a passion to serve and help others led him to law enforcement. In doing so, he followed in the footsteps of his brother, Warren, who would go on to serve as an MPD officer for 25 years. Joining the police force filled his mother with pride-just as Wayne was filled with pride when his son, Davon, recently shared his desire to carry on the family's law enforcement legacy.

For more than 25 years, Wayne dedicated his life to safeguarding the people of the District of Columbia.

He joined MPD in December 1998 and was assigned to the Third District after

graduating from the Police Academy. In 2007, he was assigned to the Gun Recovery Unit of the Narcotics and Special Investigations Division (NSID). In 2022, he became an Investigator in the Violent Crime Suppression Division (VCSD).

Wayne served with passion and honor throughout his career, earning the respect of his peers and numerous departmental awards, including an Achievement Medal for his NSID work; a Unit Citation for exceptional performance and service; and a Meritorious Service Medal. This past May, his team received the MPD Unit of the Year Award for 2023. He served his country, as well, as a member of the District of Columbia Air National Guard since 1996.

For all of his professional achievements, Wayne was also known for having the biggest smile and a distinct, contagious laugh. He found so much in life to laugh and smile about, and he wouldn't let anyone around him have a bad day. A peacemaker and a man of empathy, Wayne encouraged people to live well, do right, and abide by the law.

Wayne was a proud father of his daughter, Wanita, and son, Davon. With the biggest heart, he had unconditional love for his siblings and family, and he loved each one of them in their special way. There wasn't anything he wouldn't do for his family. If they were sick, he cooked their meals. If they couldn't afford their medicine, he helped pay for it. If his nephews needed haircuts, he did the barbering. If something was broken, he was there to repair it. Furniture, money, emotional support, broad smile, big laugh-he gave it all. In addition, he loved his extended family and was still best friends with many of his childhood friends.

Considered by many to be the master chef of the family, Wayne loved cooking, entertaining and hosting family gatherings, and he knew his way around peach cobbler and banana pudding like nobody's business, thanks to his mother's recipes. For anyone who needed a meal, Wayne's door was always opened.

Raised in the church, Wayne loved God. He attended New Genesis Baptist Church and Judah Christian Church, and he was a longtime member of the National Community Church family, serving on its security team for a decade. He would always find the perfect scripture to help him through any challenge.

Wayne was predeceased by his father, Otis Womack; his mother, Hattie C. David; three brothers, Delmar S. David, Daniel Tyrone Scarborough, and Kelvin M. Scarborough; a niece, Chandra E. Head; and nephews Roy (Skeet) Scarborough and Ronnell T. Scarborough.

Left to cherish his precious memory are his daughter Wanita David; son Davon David; sisters Debra Scarborough-Drummond, Angelise (Nisey) McCoy and Tracey Renee Lisier; brother Warren Donnell Scarborough; sister-in-law, Toni Scarborough; brother-in-law, Roy Lisier; numerous nieces and nephews; best friends Robert (Bobby) Green and Damian Johnson

Viewing and Funeral Service  
Ebenezer AME Church  
7707 Allentown Road  
Fort Washington, Maryland 20744

Viewing: 9 AM – 11 AM

Funeral: 11 AM – 12:30 PM  
Interment: Immediately following  
Fort Lincoln Cemetery  
3401 Bladensburg Road  
Brentwood, Maryland

Memorial Program (Reader's Spreads)

[https://mpdc.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/mpdc/page\\_content/attachments/Inv%20David%20Memorial%20Program\\_RDR.pdf](https://mpdc.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/mpdc/page_content/attachments/Inv%20David%20Memorial%20Program_RDR.pdf)

# Previous Events

## Wake

SEP 12. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Ebenezer AME Church  
7707 Allentown Rd  
Fort Washington, MD 20744

## Funeral Service

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

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# Tribute Wall



“ Wayne and I were classmates from 7th to 9th grade. We would run into each other throughout the years, and he was always the same kind and generous person with a unique laugh. All will miss Wayne. My condolences to his family in this time of sorrow.



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**Willie Speight** - September 12, 2024 at 10:57 AM

CC

“ To the David Family! Sending my deepest condolences and prayers to you all. Praying for your strength during this time. I remember him walking through the doors on "V" Street, NE to interview for a job MedStar. He won be over with his smile. Over the years he told me he was going to be a DC Police Officer and got his nickname Goldie (and it fits). He will be missed!

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**Candi Crandall-Prince** - September 12, 2024 at 10:12 AM

TS

“ My condolences to the family, great great man! Your smile and always the best attitude, lot of memories from MT, especially that bus ride home! Its impossible to know how many lives you touch...Lives are touched and you are greatly missed, appreciated and loved...Walk home bro, God has His arms wide!!! Tyren T. Stover Sr.

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**Tyren Stover** - September 12, 2024 at 10:09 AM

WB

“ With deepest sympathy. Praying for the David family during this time of grief.

*MPO William Barnes*

William Barnes - September 11, 2024 at 06:11 PM

J(

“ To the David Family, our deepest condolences to you all. May God continue to comfort you during this difficult time



John & Naomi Nelson (MPD) - September 11, 2024 at 03:02 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Service Details



Pope Funeral Homes - September 11, 2024 at 12:23 PM

RN

“ Rob & Monique Jefferson (Brooklyn, NY) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Wayne Ellis David.

Rob & Monique Jefferson (Brooklyn, NY) - September 11, 2024 at 08:57 AM

RN

“ Rob & Monique Jefferson (Brooklyn, NY) purchased the Thoughts & Prayers Sympathy Gift Box for the family of Wayne Ellis David.



Rob & Monique Jefferson (Brooklyn, NY) - September 11, 2024 at 08:57 AM

RC

“ Peace and blessings to the family.



Robert M. Champ - September 10, 2024 at 11:21 PM

SM

“ Had the pleasure of working with WD during many details. Always had a smile on his face and a willingness to help others. That will be missed. My condolences and prayers with the family

SPO RB Chambers Jr MPD - September 07, 2024 at 03:07 PM

AF

“ Great Man and Police Officer. Very sad, my condolences to the family

Andrew J Feggans - September 07, 2024 at 09:40 AM

MS

Goldy I am going to miss you so much . You knew how much I love you. Thank you for the great memories I will always cherish. Rest on my dear friend. Love always “Poodie” ❤️

Myesha Seabron - September 10, 2024 at 07:56 PM

DD

“ My deepest condolences to the family of Officer E. David. Hoping the memories you shared will bring you peace and comfort. RIP Wayne E. David. Retired MPD D/1 Dick Dailey

Dick Dailey - September 05, 2024 at 10:01 AM

SW

“ Condolences to the family and friends and every police department in the world. I didn't know you until I saw what happened on the news . I know there will be a big big void in your family's and friends life. But your memories will live on forever and ever. Peace be with you all 🙏



Susan Woodson - September 03, 2024 at 07:48 PM

TW

I can tell you he was a very kind man. Always giving it all and outstanding police officer

Trisha Walker - September 07, 2024 at 03:34 PM

PG

“ My deepest condolences to the family of Officer David during this profoundly difficult time. May you find comfort and strength in the love and prayers being sent your way. My family and I are keeping you in our thoughts, praying for peace and healing in the days ahead. Please know that we are with you in spirit, sending our love and support as you navigate this period of mourning and grief.



Patricia Gatling - September 03, 2024 at 03:17 PM

AJ

“ Praying GOD will give strength and comfort to Investigator Wayne's family, friend and co workers. May he rest in heaven.



Angela J - September 02, 2024 at 11:21 AM

JH

“ We are not meant to understand the ways in which our Father in Heaven moves in our lives. Some events happen as planned and there are times when we just don't understand. But I believe with all my heart your life was given to us to show the goodness of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. You were a blessing to all who called you family and for those who called you friend. My heart will be heavy many more days and nights to come but I find comfort in knowing you will hear "Job well done my good and faithful servant" Thank you Lord for the life of my friend Goldie...  
To the family and loved ones you have my deepest sympathy and prayers.  
May God continue to be a comforting presence as you need Him to be.



Jenevah Hines - September 02, 2024 at 10:55 AM

Cary  
Himes  
Woody

“ Blessed are The Peacekeepers for they shall be called The Children of God. Mathew 5.9  
So sorry for the tragic loss of such a fine police officer who gave it all in serving his fellow man. May he rest in Peace. Retired Officer C.J. Himes MPD 3D



Cary Himes Woody - September 02, 2024 at 03:01 AM

RH

“ Goodbye my MPDC family brother. To Wayne's family with deepest sympathy for the loss. Wayne will be missed by me.



Robert Hathaway - September 01, 2024 at 09:20 PM

MS

“ To the David Family, I send my deepest and heartfelt condolences on the loss of a great man, a friend, a colleague and a family man. There are no words that can express this great loss to a man who gave so much, but know that the Lord will bless you and comfort you during this difficult time. Our Hearts and Prayers are with you. Wayne will truly be missed by all who loved him and admired him. R.I.P Brother Wayne!!!!



MPO Mark B. Shedrick(5D-3D)  
MPD Retired

Mark B. Shedrick - September 01, 2024 at 08:32 PM

IJ

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Wayne was always there anytime I called him. Praying for the family



Isabella jones - September 01, 2024 at 02:21 PM

PH

“ Neither my late husband, a retired member of the Metropolitan Police Department, nor I knew Wayne David but having been a spouse of a Det. Sgt. for 60 years, I know what it takes to be an honored member of that group and to put your life on the line with each tour of duty. I am so sorry you lost Wayne so suddenly. The entire community shares your loss.  
Pat and the late, Skip Harford

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Patricia B Harford - September 01, 2024 at 01:34 PM

RH

“ Rest in Eternal Peace Brother 🙏🕊️



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Regenna Hairston-Grier - September 01, 2024 at 10:37 AM

AP

“ I will forever cherish your legacy Uncle. You will always be a Hero. Still no words for losing you so soon. Especially on my Birthday but I know God had us still connected during your last hour. Losing you just 20 minutes after you sent me a Happy Birthday text message. I love you dearly.

Your oldest niece 🙏💔🙏  
April

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April - September 01, 2024 at 10:32 AM