

Pall Bearers

Family & Friends

Remember Me

*Don't remember me with sadness,
Don't remember me with tears,
Remember all the laughter,
We've shared throughout the years.
Now I am contented
That my life it was worthwhile,
Knowing that I passed along the way
I made somebody smile.
When you are walking down the street
And you've got me on your mind,
I'm walking in your footsteps
Only half a step behind.
So please don't be unhappy
Just because I'm out of sight,
Remember that I'm with you
Each morning, noon and night.*

Floral Bearers

Family & Friends



Acknowledgements

We wish to express our sincere gratitude for the kindness shown to us during our hour of bereavement. The love, prayers, cards, calls, and kindness shown are greatly cherished. Special thanks to our friends who are always with us.

The Family

Arrangements Entrusted to

Wiseman Funeral Home

4591 Allentown Road | Suitland, MD 20746
Wisemanfuneralhome.net | 301-899-2005

CELEBRATION OF LIFE



Brother Ramius E. McPhatter

SUNRISE: OCTOBER 22, 1949

SUNSET: AUGUST 21, 2024

Friday, September 6, 2024
VIEWING: 10AM | SERVICE: 11AM

The New Macedonia Baptist Church

4115 ALABAMA AVENUE, SE | WASHINGTON, DC 20019

Reverend Patrick J. Walker, Senior Pastor

Ramius' Life Story

Ramius Edward McPhatter, Sr., affectionately known as “Bucky, Eddie, Mac, or Coach,” was born on October 22, 1949 to the late Ramius McPhatter and Ruby Lee Elliott in Fayetteville, NC. He peacefully transitioned on Wednesday, August 21, 2024, surrounded by family and friend with love and laughter, just as he lived his life.

Ramius attended school in the Fayetteville’s Cumberland County Public School System, graduating from E.E. Smith High School. After completing Job Corp in Kentucky, he relocated to Washington, DC and enrolled in Cortez Petters Business School. Always eager to learn, in 1997, Ramius earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Human Services from George Washington University.

Ramius met his wife, Lynn, the day she arrived in Washington, DC; they have been together ever since united in holy matrimony for 53 years. They were the proud parents of two sons, Ramius McPhatter, Jr. and Jared Keith McPhatter. Ramius, Sr. often stated that Ramius, Jr. was the best thing he had done in his life and he and grandson, Tevon, were his world.

His love of children transitioned his career from Job Corp, Potomac & Woodland to the halls of Prince Georges’ County Public Schools as a teacher, youth advocate, and coach. Prior to that he worked at C&P Telephone Company and George Washington University.

Over 30 years ago, Ramius joined The New Macedonia Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Reverend Dr. Robert L. Walls, Sr. and continued his faithful service under the current Senior Pastor, Reverend Patrick J. Walker. His love for children extended to the church as he was a part of the Youth Ministry, Lott Carey Youth Convention, boys basketball and Overcomers ministries.

Ramius was a member and contributor of many organizations, too many to name but most recently, “Friends of Anacostia Park.” He was also a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated.

Ramius was a man of many talents: swimming instructor at Prince Georges’ Community College, as well as other local pools, an avid horticulturist, and coaching, which was his pride and joy. His last coaching assignments were with Bladensburg High School and Maya Angelou French Immersion School girls’ softball teams. He loved coaching and mentoring his girls.

Ramius was preceded in death by his son, Jared Keith McPhatter.

Left to celebrate his life: loving wife, Lynn McPhatter; son, Ramius McPhatter, Jr.; daughter-in-law, Renee McPhatter; grandson, Tevon Strother; sister, Jacqueline McKnight (Terry) Briscoe; aunt, Grace Blue; uncle, Roosevelt Elliott; sister-in- law, Christine Payne; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and lifelong friends.



Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Sister Tameria Bradley

Dr. Alethia Simmons

Hymn of Praise

Scripture Reading

Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Musical Selection

Acknowledgements &
Obituary Reading

Reflections

Musical Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

Interment

Heritage Memorial Cemetery

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Repast

The Den

9400 Livingston Road
Fort Washington, MD 20744
3pm – 6pm