



George W. Powell

June 2, 1923 - June 8, 2015

Deacon George W. Powell of 2501 Hickory Street, Portsmouth, Virginia, departed this life on June 8, 2015, in Woodbridge, Virginia. He was born on June 2, 1923 to Walter J. and Lillie Hicks Powell, in Warren County, North Carolina. He received his education in the Warren County Public School System. He first married Joyce Harrell of Portsmouth, VA. He later married Eurla Lee Dunn, affectionately known as "Lee Mama". He was a praying man and faithful servant. Upon each awakening, he would say, "Lord, Thank You Jesus." He accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Savior at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church in Macon, North Carolina. He later joined Mt Nebo RZUA, and then New Jerusalem Church of God in Christ in Portsmouth, where he served as a trustee and was ordained as a Deacon. Next he joined New Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church where he served as a Deacon. He temporarily relocated and joined Alfred Street Baptist Church in Alexandria, Virginia for "watchcare." He was the sixth of twelve Children. Family was very important to him. He was affectionately known as "Pops" & "Granddaddy." Whenever he was around his grandchildren, he could always be found laughing and making jokes. He will fondly be remembered as an awesome, funny, spiritual man who spoiled his grandchildren.

George was a hardworking and gifted man who loved people. He worked full-time at Planters Manufacturing Company (Georgia Pacific). He also worked at

Star Band (General Foam Plastics Corps). He retired in 1989 from the Norfolk Naval Shipyard where he faithfully served 16 years as a pipefitter in Shop 56. He received numerous awards and honors for excellent service.

He had many significant accomplishments, one which included the architectural design and building of his house at 2501 Hickory Street. Some of his gifts and talents included bricklaying, roofing, pipefitting, plumbing, electrical, carpentry and cooking. He was known for gardening, building things, giving and loving people. "If I Can Just Help Somebody Along The Way" is a song that adequately captures the essence of this talented man who truly loved people.

He is predeceased by his spouse Eurla Lee Powell, a daughter, his parents, and two sons-in-law.

He leaves to mourn: four daughters, Carrie Hubbard of Baltimore, Maryland; Celestine Rouse (Randell) of Chesapeake, Virginia; Lillian Camphor (John) of Richmond, Virginia, and Julienne Powell of Woodbridge, Virginia; three sons, Alfred Shearin (Gerda) of Texas; Phillip Powell of Landover, Maryland and James Powell (Veronica) of Stafford, Virginia; one stepson Earl Dunn (patricia) of Portsmouth, Virginia, goddaughter Juanita Lynette Peele of Portsmouth, Virginia; three brothers-in-law, James Albert Falcon of Warrenton, North Carolina, Eugene Dunn of Bunn, North Carolina, and William Vaughan of Portsmouth, VA, two sisters-in-laws, Mattie Powell and Bessie Mae Powell, both of Portsmouth, Virginia; 23 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; three great-great grandchildren and a host of other family and friends.

Cemetery Details

Greenlawn Memorial Gardens

3920 Airline Blvd
Chesapeake, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **14**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
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Chesapeake, VA 23323
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Service

JUN **15**. 12:00 PM (ET)

New Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church
2111 High Street
Portsmouth, VA

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of George W. Powell



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - July 13, 2015 at 01:28 PM



“ I was deeply saddened by the passing of my beloved cousin George. My prayers are with Julie and the family. Julie would always bring George by to see me. The highlight was when he attended my 75th birthday celebration. Through his illness, George never forgot cousin Joyce. He will be missed!!!



In Christ Love,

Joyce Palmer Peebles & Family

Joyce Peebles - June 17, 2015 at 01:11 PM



“ Delicious Delights Basket was purchased for the family of George W. Powell.



June 14, 2015 at 02:01 PM

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“ *Death leaves a sorrow no one can heal. But love leaves a memory no one can steal. My deepest condolences to the Powell family.*
Lindia Howell

Lindia Howell-ASBC Prison Ministry - June 13, 2015 at 10:34 PM



“ *28 files added to the album Life Tributes*



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - June 13, 2015 at 03:45 PM

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“ *Nolan Robinson & Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of George W. Powell.*



Nolan Robinson & Family - June 13, 2015 at 12:22 PM