



Howard H. Foust, Jr.

January 29, 1942 - August 25, 2020

Howard H. Foust, Jr. 78, passed on August 25, 2020. He was born in Burlington, N.C. to the late Hattie Fuller and Howard H. Foust, Sr. He was the fourth of nine children. He was a member of Zion Baptist Church in Portsmouth, Virginia. He loved his church family, his children, and grandchildren, but most of all he loved his wife. Howard taught Mathematics and Physics in the Portsmouth Public School System for 36 years at I.C. Norcom and 1 year at Woodrow Wilson High School. At I.C. Norcom High School he served as senior sponsor for 26 years and Chairman of the Mathematics Department for 20 years. He also taught as a part-time-instructor at Tidewater Community College, Norfolk State College/University, and Elizabeth City State College/University. Howard was on the board of directors of the Portsmouth Teachers Federal Credit Union as Secretary/Treasurer for 20 years. After his retirement in 2002 he joined the African American Historical Society and served as Financial Secretary. He also joined the Portsmouth Retired Educators Association and served as Financial Secretary for eight years and Treasurer for the past two years. Howard's love for children kept him in the Youth Bowling Program for more than 30 years. He leaves to cherish his memory his wife Iva Small Foust, children- Michael (Tina), Monica (Alvin Sr.), and Malcolm (Tara). Six grandchildren-Brenton, Makayla, Asia, Brilyn, Alvin Jr. and Alexandra. Five sisters- Armeddliia (Dale), Betty, Vardrine, Avis and Alice, one brother Jerry, A loving sister-in-law-Lillian Small, close friends Vivian White, and Dr. Stephanie

Johnson fondly called adopted daughter, best friend Dr. Hollie Baker, Sr., neighbors, A.C. Williams, Sr. and Calvin Freeman.

In lieu of flowers, please contribute to the Portsmouth Retired Educators Association's Scholarship fund through mail: Attention: Mrs. Vivian White, In memory of Howard H. Foust, Jr. PREA Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 3662 Portsmouth, Va. 23701.

The life celebration service will be live streamed on Monday. You can return to this page for the direct link.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Memorial Gardens

6329 Virginia Beach Blvd.
Norfolk, VA

Previous Events

Visitation and Wake Service

AUG 30. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
1248 N. George Washington Hwy.
Chesapeake, VA 23323
(757) 487-3700
info@jtfisherfuneralservices.com
<https://www.jtfisherfuneralservices.com>

Service

AUG 31. 2:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
1248 N. George Washington Hwy
Chesapeake, VA

Tribute Wall



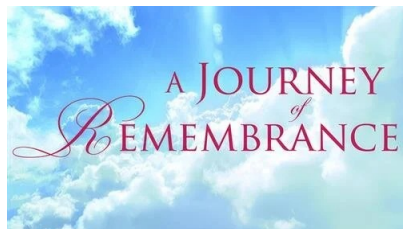
“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Webcast in memory of Howard H. Foust, Jr.

**CLICK HERE TO
VIEW SERVICE**

J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - August 31, 2020 at 12:46 PM



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Howard H. Foust, Jr.



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - August 30, 2020 at 02:53 PM

WK

*Iva and family,
My prayers are with you during this time of grief. Always keep those wonderful memories that you shared with him. May God keep you in his hands 🙏.*

Wilhelmina Goodman King

Wilhelmina Goodman King - August 30, 2020 at 04:21 PM

TB

My prayers are with the family during this time. He was my wonderful math teacher.

Tonya Blow - September 18, 2020 at 08:55 AM

AB

“ *I am so sorry to hear about the passing of Mr.Foust. He was my 10th grade Algebra teacher at I.C Norcom High School. I'd like to send my deepest condolences to the Foust family. Andrieka Brown c/o 91*



Andrieka Brown - September 14, 2020 at 06:01 PM

LH

“ *I would like to offer my deepest sympathy to the Foust family...I knew Mr. Foust from my time at I. C. Norcom but never had the opportunity to be in one of his classes. He always had a reputation of being a great teacher. I will keep Miss Small (Mrs. Foust) one of my favorite high school teachers in my prayers as well as the entire family. May God give you comfort and peace now and in the future.*

*Lemuel Harper
I. C. Norcom "Class of 70"*

LEMUEL HARPER - September 11, 2020 at 11:23 PM

AB

“ To the family,
Condolences and prayers to you. We are so sorry for the loss of your husband, father, and to some a friend. I remember Howard as a "Gentle Giant". He will always be remembered as the Gentle Giant that married our neighbor and they lived in Virginia. As the slogan goes "Virginia is for Lovers". R.I. P. Howard. Praying for your family's strength at this time. 🙏

With deepest sympathy,
Avis, Iris, Sonya, and Daddy Burrows

Avis Burrows - September 02, 2020 at 06:50 PM

JS

“ To the Family,

Praying that God will continue to strengthen and comfort you.

Be blessed, Julien (Thomas) Scott, Sr. and Clara

Julien Thomas Scott - August 31, 2020 at 03:06 PM

EM

“ Howard was a kind person who was respected by everyone with whom he came in contact. He and Iva were a living couple who were always together and who always helped each other. His time at Norcom was epic. I never heard him say an unkind word. He was a member of Zion and I was able to converse with him on Sundays. I will miss those brief chats. May he rest in peace as God welcomes him to his new eternal home. Love and peace to the family as they remember and cherish your good times together. Connie and I will always be here for you.

Earl and Constance Mabry - August 30, 2020 at 05:06 PM

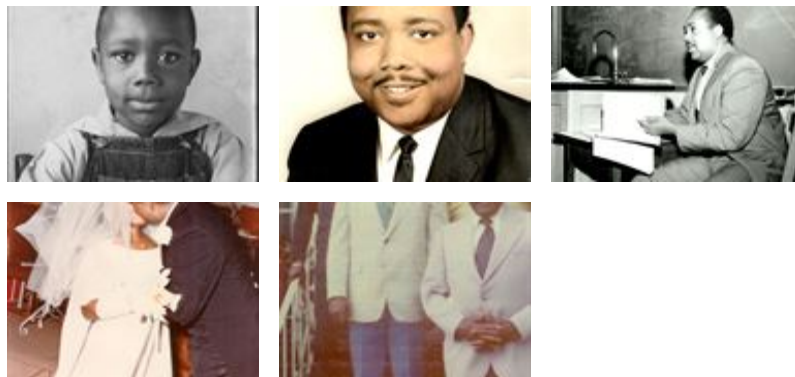
CG

“ We were so pleased to know Mr. and Mrs. Foust through our swim class at the Portsmouth YMCA. We send our condolences to Iva and the whole family. Our prayers and thoughts are with you all. Sincerely Carolyn and Paul Gottlieb.

Carolyn Gottlieb - August 30, 2020 at 03:55 PM



“ 52 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - August 30, 2020 at 12:09 PM

VH

I'm so sorry to hear about Howard's passing Iva. Sending prayers of comfort and covering up for you and the kids. Howard was such a warm and sweet spirit. He shall be missed.

Vernet Hatcher - August 30, 2020 at 04:56 PM

MP

“ Mr. Foust taught me math and helped encourage my love of math at I C Norcom high school. He was definitely instrumental in my long career as an electrical engineer. I am eternally grateful for his love and dedication. Please accept my condolence to his family and friends for such a great educator. RIP Mr Foust after a job well done.

Melvin A Pierce - August 30, 2020 at 09:03 AM

SB

“ Mr. Foust will truly be missed. My family and I have fond memories of spending many occasions with the Foust family. He and My dad were good friends And so that brought the 2 families (Baker and Foust) together. There were 3 Foust children and 3 Baker children and the ages coincided on the 2 sides, so it was an easy fit. Together, our families celebrated birthdays, Christmas, dinner theaters, summer adventures, no reason at all get togethers... etc. And thanks to Mrs. Foust, we have a million pictures that captured all of the wonderful moments spent together. From Dr. Hollie Baker, my sister, Tammie, my brother, “Skooter”, and me, Star-baby, we offer our most sincerest condolences to all of the family. Thank you for years of family fun and tons of Great memories. We love you all and will definitely keep you all in prayer.

Star Benjamin - August 30, 2020 at 08:09 AM

LC

“ Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your heart. Our deepest sympathies.
Love Lisa Celestine & family

Lisa Celestine - August 30, 2020 at 04:36 AM

RJ

“ Mr. Foust was among the fine group of I.C. Norcom faculty whose influence upon my life cannot be measured. He taught me physics and is directly responsible for the fact that I earned two degrees in the subject along my life's journey. My problem-solving ability was developed within his classroom and under his guidance at a time when my mind was fertile and while I was eager to receive the kind of inspiration that the Norcom faculty nurtured us with. Because of their leadership, I have never felt outmatched within any of the many prestigious circles that I have been a part of. I earned my third college degree in optometry and have practiced it with distinction for over 30 years. Had it not been for Mr. Foust and his humble tutelage, I could not have overcome the many academic obstacles that stood between me and success. God bless you, sir and I pray for your soul and for your family. From the alumni of I.C. Norcom High School and the Class of 1969 in particular, we salute you.

Robert L. Jones B.S. Physics, Norfolk State University, M.S., Physics, The University of Texas at Dallas, O.D., The University of Houston College of Optometry

Robert L. Jones - August 30, 2020 at 12:41 AM

NS

“ Thoughts and prayers from the Small family. We will continue to lift the Foust family before the Lord in the days to come. HE is able to keep you....

Nelson Small - August 29, 2020 at 11:08 PM

RF

“ Deepest condolences to the family in the loss of our dear Cousin Billy! You are in our thoughts and prayers. May the Lord continue to bless you with comfort and peace in the coming days. Love you, Cousin Clyde (Boomie), Rita and Wayne Fuller, Mebane, NC

Rita Fuller - August 29, 2020 at 10:04 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Howard H. Foust, Jr..*



August 29, 2020 at 03:39 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Howard H. Foust, Jr..*



August 29, 2020 at 02:59 PM



“ *Mr. Foust my high school Algebra teacher made us learn his subject of choice in his class because if you didn't you would have summer school with him. He would want you to believe he was hard cord but he just wanted us to understand and love math the way he did. He was a great teacher and person. I will always remember the way he encouraged us to be learning students not just attending class students and he always made us laugh. Rest in peace.*



Kyle Parker White - August 29, 2020 at 01:27 PM

NR

“ *Dear Iva and family,
My sincere condolences to you at this time. May your memories and
your faith sustain you. Howard was a gentleman in every sense of
the word. God bless you all.*

Norma Ragland

Norma Ragland - August 29, 2020 at 12:59 PM

AA

“ *Armeddlia (Dale), Betty, Jerry, Vardrine, Avis, and
Alice purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray
for the family of Howard H. Foust, Jr..*



Armeddlia (Dale), Betty, Jerry, Vardrine, Avis, and Alice -
August 28, 2020 at 03:28 PM