



Mr. Courtney Alphonso McCalla,

June 1, 1965 - June 11, 2020

COURTNEY ALPHONSO MCCALLA, son of Charles McCalla and the late Caselda “Rose” McCalla was born June 1st, 1965 in Old Harbour, in the parish of Saint Catherine, Jamaica. He entered into eternal rest on June 11, 2020.

Courtney attended Old Harbour Primary School before he migrated to the United States in 1979. He attended Mergenthaler Vocational High School where he received his Auto Mechanic Certification. Thereafter, he was employed at Anderson Ford in Baltimore as an Auto Mechanic. He attended Morgan State University and then enlisted in the United States Army in 1986. He climbed the military rank to the elite position of a Staff Sergeant. SSG Courtney A. McCalla served the United States Army from 1986 until 2011, with honor and pride until he retired. A Proud United States Army Veteran served his adopted Country honorably and nobly during Desert Storm as a Staff Sergeant with the AIRBORNE Division and was awarded his Combat Infantry Badge among many other medals.

During his military years, he continued to take college credits and earned his BA degree from Columbia College in 2014. After retiring from the military, Courtney was employed with the Small Business Administration as an Economic Development Officer in Baltimore. Courtney met the love of his life, Kimberly Jones, in 1992 and they were married in 1994. He was a great father to his two children, Jermel and Cyara. He enjoyed cooking and eating good food. Courtney liked to travel, spends time with his family, engage in interesting conversations; he appreciated life and loved to have fun. As a child, Courtney would use crate boxes as race cars in the canal near his house in Old Harbour. He would also stay up late at nights so that he could play watch over his siblings and snitch on them when his mother got home from work. He was an overall fun person to be around and would bring sunshine to the dulllest moment. Courtney enjoyed coaching little leagues sports teams. He was an avid Ravens and Chicago Bulls fan. Courtney was an amazing man, resilient, caring, committed, inspiring and influential individual. Anyone who really knew him, will tell you he embodied 1st John, 4:7, “and everyone that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.” Courtney didn’t want any attention for doing what came natural to him. Courtney would often send an inspiration text or song to family and friends to

brighten their day. He was member of Southern Baptist Church who played an active role when assigned by his Pastor.

Courtney was preceded in death by his mother, Caselda "Rose" McCalla, his brother, Collin "Jerry" McCalla. He is survived by his wife, Kimberly McCalla, children Jermel McCalla (Patrick) and Cyara McCalla. Father, Charles McCalla, five siblings Donnet Lawrence (Albert), Diane McCalla, Kadie Shaw (Tennyson), Patricia McCalla, and Andrew McCalla. There are host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, and many other family and friends.

We love you Courtney, and you will be truly missed. May your soul rest in eternal peace.

The Family

Cemetery

Garrison Forest Veterans Cemetery

11501 Garrison Forest Road
Owings Mills, MD, 21117

Events

JUN 19 Visitation 05:00PM - 07:00PM
Chatman-Harris Funeral Homes
4210 Belair Road, Baltimore, MD, US, 21206

JUN 20 Visitation 10:00AM - 10:30AM
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Comments



“ A webcast video has been added.



Chatman-Harris Funeral Home - June 20 at 09:53 AM



“ Hi Kim, I just learned about the loss of your husband. I pray that God gives you a little bit more strength and comfort each day. I miss you, even though it 's been a long time since you left Fort Knox. The memories of you and your family are still vivid in my mind. May you always be Blessed.

With Lots of Love,
Rayceil Oggs, Child & Youth Services.

Rayceil Oggs - July 13 at 09:21 PM



“ Rest in Peace my dear friend. You will be truly missed. Thanks for all the encouragement and support you gave me. My prayers are with your family during this time.

Angela

Angela Moore - July 08 at 09:11 AM



“ You will truly be missed my friend.

Lanise Robertson - June 20 at 01:13 AM



“ Courtney you will truly be missed. Lunch time at work will never be the same. I value our friendship we had and I will miss our vacation stories. You are such a wonderful and kind person my brother.....until we meet again.

Tonia McCoy - June 19 at 08:36 PM



“ Courtney, Words cannot express the feelings in my heart. You will be missed but I will remember your your contagious smile and soft voice. Rest In Peace my nephew.

Aunt Novlette - June 20 at 12:20 PM



“ Hi Courtney, I don't think you remember me as much as I do you. I met you through my Daughter Debbie, through your Mom Mrs. Rose, and of course through your most sociable Aunty Novlette. Your Aunty invited me to your Moms 1st. year Memorial get-together earlier this year at your home, you spoke of how you miss your Mom because she use to call and talk to you in the mornings before her passing, At this time, I can only think you are now traveling to be with her. Life is so short. I know this is how you are showing us to just be loving, humble and kind to everyone you come across. Rest in God's peace Courtney. Amen

Jennifer - June 20 at 03:48 PM



“ Condolences to the Family.

Jennifer - June 20 at 03:50 PM



“ 8 files added to the album LifeTributes



Rachel Howard - June 19 at 12:00 PM



“ 31 files added to the album LifeTributes



Chatman-Harris Funeral Home - June 19 at 11:05 AM



“ Irma Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Courtney Alphonso McCalla,



Irma Jackson - June 19 at 12:31 AM



“ Courtney you will be missed may your soul RIP.

Clova Dawkins - June 19 at 10:00 AM



“ Calvin Snell Sr. lit a candle in memory of Mr. Courtney Alphonso McCalla,



Calvin Snell Sr. - June 18 at 07:13 PM



“ Your Ravens color Courtney

Calvin - June 18 at 07:13 PM



“ Courtney was dedicated, honorable, ambitious, and most of all, a friend. I will miss you! My condolences to Kim, Jermel, Cyara and family.

Calvin Snell Sr. - June 18 at 07:11 PM



“ I served with SSG McCalla at 3397th GSU in Chattanooga & Ft Campbell. Such a great person & soldier. Always had a smile on his face, always; laughing about something. My heartfelt condolences are with his entire family. Prayer for & to the family.

MSG (RET) Wanda Jobe

Wanda - June 18 at 05:02 PM



“ Courtney was our neighbor and a friend. We will miss that bright smile and laugh. He always would offer to help, never wanting anything in return. You will be missed Courtney. Take you rest. Your friends, Ray and Christina Monroe.

christina monroe - June 18 at 12:00 PM



“ Shalonda Robinson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Courtney Alphonso McCalla,



Shalonda Robinson - June 17 at 04:14 PM