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Celebrating the life of Vera Mae Ratcliff-McCloud



Vera Mae Ratcliff-McCloud



Vera Mae Ratcliff-McCloud was born in Seattle, Washington, on September 5, 1929 to Albert Hendrix Ratcliff and Bessie Dorothy Buford. She was the oldest of five children born to this union. Vera passed away on May 17, 2014.

Vera was educated in the Seattle Public Schools: Bailey Gazzert Elementary School, Edmond Meany Jr. High, and Garfield High School where she graduated and received her diploma in 1948. She later attended Edison Technical Business School in Seattle.

At a young age, Vera accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior and was baptized at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Seattle, Washington, by the Reverend Dr. F. Benjamin Davis, Pastor. Committed to serving God, she worked diligently in the church as a youth choir member, secretary of the youth ushers, secretary of the Baptist Youth Training Union, an assistant to the church secretary, and a member of the Gospel Chior. Vera remained a faithful member of Mt. Zion until she joined New Beginnings Christian Fellowship Baptist Church in 2007. Vera remained a faithful member of New Beginnings Christian Fellowship Baptist Church and enjoyed her Wednesday night bible studies with the Federal Way Connection Group.

In 1948 Vera married Walter Klaus Crallie and to this union was born two children: Vicki Lynn Crallie Polk (who preceded her in death) and Pamela Crallie Hines. In 1955, she married the love of her life Junius McCloud (who preceded her in death) and to this union were born three children: Katherine Ilene McCloud, Dorothy Mae McCloud, and Junius McCloud, Jr.

Vera was one of the first African American women to be hired as a secretary at the Veterans Administration Office in Seattle, Washington. During the 1970s and 80s she worked for the Seattle Opportunities Industrial Center (SOIC) and the Boeing Company. She was employed at the University of Washington Medical Information Technology Systems prior to her retirement.

Vera was not only a devoted wife but a loving supportive mother. She dedicated her entire life to her family. She loved and enjoyed being involved with her family and traveling. She leaves to cherish her memory: daughters Pamela Hines (Philip), Katherine Green (Nathaniel), Dorothy McCloud and son, Junius McCloud Jr.; her sister, Reverend Dr. Phyllis I. Ratcliff-Beaumont; brothers, Albert H. Ratcliff and Andrew V. Ratcliff (her youngest brother Richard L. Ratcliff preceded her in death); her grandchildren: Richard Carey (Cheryl), Marcus Shaw, Leslie Bell Beaver (Dennis), Antina Carey, Vikki Polk, Talonya Gabriel (Moise), Karina Blasco (John), Nathaniel Green Jr., Junius McCloud III, Jordan McCloud, Mya McCloud, Alena McCloud; 17 great-grandchildren (one preceded her in death), ten great-great grandchildren, and a host of cousins and friends who admired and loved her. Viewing will be at Southwest Mortuary on May 23, 2014. The funeral service will be held on May 24, 2014, at New Beginnings Christian Fellowship at 11:30 a.m. The Reverend Dr. Leslie D. Braxton will officiate.

MEMORIAL DAY BARBEQUE

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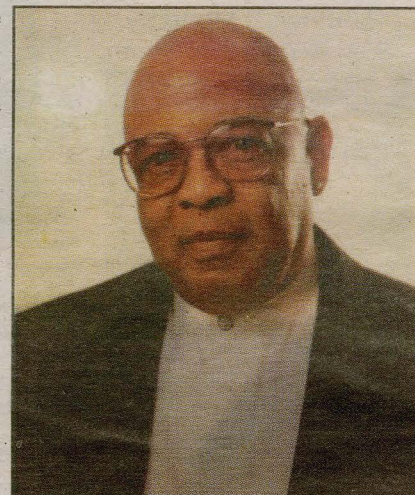
(Previously located at 4730 32nd Avenue South, SEATTLE)

In Loving Memory of Othello Howell

Othello Howell passed peacefully from pneumonia due to Alzheimers disease. He is survived by his mother, Eldora; brothers and sisters, Zeola, James and Roy; his children, Midori, Ukio and Masayo; niece Noni, and a host of relatives and friends.

Othello always believed in living life on his own terms, having an exemplary military career, serving three terms in Vietnam. He firmly believed in supporting his community, becoming a drug counselor and receiving a masters degree in Social Work. Othello was a Past Master of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge, ABIFF Lodge No. 37. He was also very active in the SGI-USA, holding Buddhist meetings regularly in his home, happily introducing others to the Buddhist practice.

A small Military Honors service will be held at the Tahoma National Cemetery, 18600 SE 240th St, Kent, Washington, on May 22, 2014 at 11:15am.



In Loving Memory of Inez Armstrong

Sunrise: January 6, 1922 - Sunset: May 5, 2014

Inez Armstrong answered the call and went home to the Lord, on May 5, 2014. Preceded in death, husband, Clifton and son, Richard "Turkey".

She was born January 6, 1922 in Miami, Florida, with a smile that always brought joy to a room, and pleasure to your heart. Inez was a longtime member of First A.M.E., Seattle, WA.,

She leaves to cherish her memory sons, Samuel (Hattie) Cambridge; daughters Eugenia (Wallace) Cambridge-Howe, Clifton "Bruce" Armstrong; granddaughters, Danielle M. Armstrong, Emily Cambridge; grandsons, Craig and Jason Cambridge and Raymond Howe; god-daughter, Vivian "Chakema" Moore; great-grandsons, Dallas Beason and Cameron Cambridge, along with a host of extended family and friends.

Funeral service will be held Saturday, May 24, 2014 at Evergreen-Washelli at 11 AM.

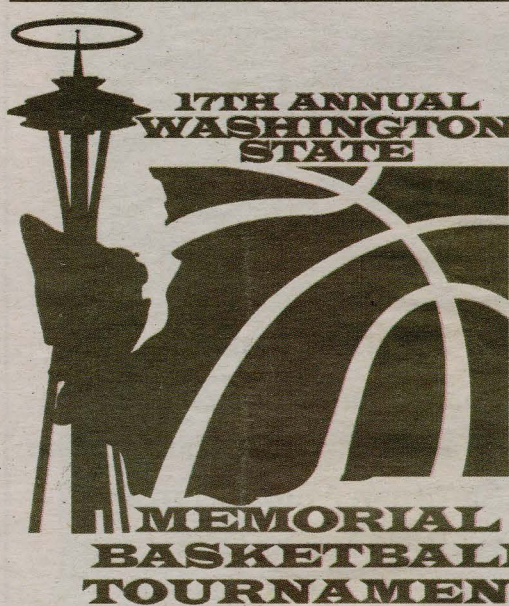


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