



## Mr. Donald Askew

January 11, 1946 - April 1, 2013

Donald Askew, peacefully answered the Master's call on Sunday, March 31, 2013 at Sentara CarePlex at the age of 67. His life's journey began on January 11, 1946 in Tuskegee, Alabama to the late Gaither and Ernestine Askew.

Donald was educated in Newport News Public school system and graduated from Huntington High School class of 1965. Donald was member of the Huntington High School Marching band where he excelled as a Percussion player. After graduation Donald enlisted into the U.S Army where he was a member of the elite Army National Band. Donald served in the Vietnam War, he received National defense service medal, Vietnam service medal, Vietnam campaign medal and Army commendation medal for Marksmanship. Donald retired from Virginia Power and Newport News Redevelopment and Housing Authority. He was an avid sports fan and loved the San Francisco 49ers and Miami Heat. He had an infectious laugh that filled the room; you knew when he was around. Donald was the king of nicknames; he never called anyone by their name. He was a quiet kindled spirit that loved life to the fullest.

Donald was preceded in death by his siblings Eula, Marian and Samuel and Stepson Dwanne Martin. Survivors include his loving devoted wife Mollie Askew, Children: Donna Ahyi-Sena (Patrick), Don, Fredrick and Freddie Brown. Stepchildren: Carrie Percell (Wyatt), Tamara Washington, Shawanda Martin. Grandchildren: Faith, Nyasia, Freddie Jr, Dontae, Wyatt, Keandre, Jasmine, Isaiah, Johnathan, Erykah, Tatiana, Dwanne Jr., Dawanyah, Samiya.

One sister, Iris Scrubbs and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Donald is gone from us in the flesh, but his presence and legacy will live with us forever.

A service to celebrate his life will begin at 1200 Noon on Saturday April 6, 2013 at Zion Baptist Church, 633 20th Street, Newport News, VA 23607.

Officiating Dr. Tremayne M. Johnson. Mr. Askew may be viewed from 12:00 Noon-6:00pm Friday April 5, at M.E Fisher Funeral Home and 2 hours prior at the church. Interment will be held Monday April 8, 2013 at Albert G. Horton Jr. Memorial Veterans Cemetery in Suffolk, Virginia.

# Tribute Wall



“ 35 files added to the album Memories Album



M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. - July 25, 2014 at 11:53 AM

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“ Our family to your family we go back to Harbor Home days you will be truly missed, Snooky, Ella, Darnell Baker.

Ella Baker Nash - April 09, 2013 at 07:28 PM

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“ May the blessing of the Lord and the friendship of many bring you comfort and solace as Donald goes home.

Nelson Armstrong - April 08, 2013 at 02:56 PM

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“ Mollie, My deepest condolences to you and your family. May you find comfort in the wonderful memories you've shared together and also in God's promise found at John 5:28,29 where we are assured that we will be able to see our dear loved one again. May the God of All Comfort, comfort through this sad time. Your family is in our thoughts.

Kelly - April 04, 2013 at 06:39 PM

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“ My deepest condolences to the family on the passing of a truly "good guy". Donald will be surely missed. There is no one like him. May you take comfort in knowing he is healthy and at peace with our Father.

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**Shirley Askew** - April 03, 2013 at 11:25 PM

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“ I am sorry to hear of your loss. May you find comfort in family and friends at this difficult time. The Bible gives hope that soon our Creator Jehovah God will end all suffering, pain, and death. And we have the hope of being reunited with our loved ones that have passed away. Rev 21:4, John 5:28-29. There will be many of those asleep in the ground of dust who will wake up to indefinitely everlasting life.

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**P Land** - April 03, 2013 at 03:23 PM