



Donald Wood Jr.

March 29, 1950 - January 16, 2020

"And think of him as loving in the hearts of those he touched...for nothing loved is ever lost and he was loved so much."

Donald Wood Jr., made his Earthly Debut on March 29, 1950, the second of seven children, born into the Union of the late Thelma and Donald Wood Sr. He was blessed to be a member of a family where there was so much love.

Donald received his education in the Baltimore city School System and upon graduation, he joined the United States Marine Corp. Upon completion of his Service with an Honorable Discharge, he decided to invest in children through teaching. He received his undergraduate degree from the University of Maryland and his Masters of Education degree from Howard University. He became a Special Education teacher for elementary school children in District Heights, Maryland and Washington DC public schools. His love for fashion lead him to work for Woodward & Lothrop (Woodies) department store.

At an early age, under the spiritual leadership of Rev. Joseph Stewart, Pastor, New Lebanon Calvary Baptist Church of Baltimore, MD, Donald accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior. Upon moving to the DC metropolitan area Donald attended Allen Chapel AME Church during he early 1980's and later joined under the leadership of the Rev./Dr. Michael E. Bell Sr., Pastor. Donald had a spiritual connection and a love for music; he sang with the Allen

Choraleers under the direction of Mark E. Jefferson, Director for several years. He sang and recorded with Donald Vail and the Salvation Corporation and other local groups in the DMV area.

Dee Dee, as he is affectionately called by family and friends, was a very loving and outgoing individual. He loved to dance and sing, and was the lead vocalist in the group The EXTREMES, that included Mae Foster-Anderson, Alice Ebb (Pip), and Larry Scott; the group was coached by Dee Dee's uncle Roland Jackson (Uncle Big Boy) who lived in East Baltimore, Dee Dee loved entertaining, family gatherings, and traveling the world. His hobbies included cooking, dancing, lover of the Arts, enjoyed the company of people.

Donald enjoyed creative writing; during the early sixties he wrote, directed, and produced a play entitled "The Black People's Movement", that highlighted the oppression and struggles of African Americans during the Pre-Civil Rights Era. The production was performed to a standing room only audience at the Johnson Square Auditorium. Dee Dee was very creative and persuasive that he utilized family members and friends as the cast; many of whom had never been on stage before. Nevertheless, as a result of his creativity, it was an excellent production that left a significant impact on the minds of the young people that were in attendance.

After retiring from the DC Public School System, he relocated to Alpharetta, Georgia. He later decided to return to work teaching in the Georgia School system. He resided with close friends Clarence and Sharon Slaughter until he returned home to Maryland in 2016.

Dee Dee shared an impenetrable bond with his oldest sister Sondra (Socks), who attended to his medical needs, and was by his side until God called him home. Though his passing leaves a void, the memories of him will continue to live on in our hearts. He was preceded in death by his brother Charles (Boo

Boo), an his sister Darlene (Nessa). He leaves to cherish his memory: his sister, Sondra Wood; his brothers Kevin (Eartha) Wood and Dwayne (Joyce) Wood; Uncle Melvin Jackson, Aunt Doris Wood, a devoted nephew and family, Darryl Wood; nieces, nephews, cousins, God children, a devoted friend Walter Hayes, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN 30. 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

March Life Tribute Center - Randallstown
5616 Old Court Road
Windsor Mill, MD

Wake

JAN 31. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

KS

“ *Kim Stevenson lit a candle in memory of Donald Wood Jr.*



Kim Stevenson - February 04, 2020 at 07:09 AM



“ *I will miss u. U taught me how to CLUTCH MY PEARLS. LOL U were my BIG BROTHER. 😊 SIP*

Talitheha Hayes - January 30, 2020 at 08:59 AM



“ *Barbett Foy purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Donald Wood Jr..*



Barbett Foy - January 29, 2020 at 07:36 AM

FS

“ *From Eugenia & Kyron Sumpter & Kevin Sharrock purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Donald Wood Jr..*



From Eugenia & Kyron Sumpter & Kevin Sharrock - January 27, 2020 at 09:33 PM

JW

“ Will always remember first meeting.
Memories last a lifetime. Rest in GOD's arms.
Jerome



Jerome Williams - January 26, 2020 at 02:49 PM

LH

“ RIP I will always cherish knowing you. Loving your smile, dressing sharp. I know you are the life of the party in Heaven!

Leola Graves Hayes - January 25, 2020 at 08:04 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Donald Wood Jr..



January 24, 2020 at 05:17 PM

DC

“ R.I.P is as difficult to write as it is to say when I think about who I’m saying it to. You taught me to enter a room and command attention with Grace and confidence. To rip the dance floor apart at every party like it’s a celebration in my honor. Every time I hear Music is My Life, Patti LaBelle, I will dance in remembrance of you. Imagining you right there saying, “Get it Hots”! This is a tough one but I know you’re at peace, no more pain..... until we meet again R.I.P💔🙏



diamond charone - January 22, 2020 at 02:06 PM



“ R I P brother Dee! Enjoyed the times shared it’s been a while but the memories never fade...a fun loving person kind spirit with a bright smile that touches the many people that was blessed with your presence.



Fred Morrow - January 22, 2020 at 07:08 AM

MR

“ My deepest condolences to the Wood family/friends and may God’s peace and comfort keep you at this time. Dee Dee was an very special person and he always made other/me feel special too. He will be sorely missed. God Bless and Love y’all!
Mae Morrow Read💔

Mae Read - January 21, 2020 at 03:46 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald Wood Jr..*



January 21, 2020 at 02:11 PM



“ *JOHNNIE And SABRINA "G" lit a candle in memory of Donald Wood Jr.*



JOHNNIE and SABRINA "G" - January 20, 2020 at 08:52 PM



“ *R.I.P DEE-DEE*

*PROUD TO HAVE BEEN YOUR
COUSIN-IN-LAW. I ALWAYS ENJOYED
OUR GOOD TIMES TOGETHER. MISS
YOU.*

JOHNNIE "G"

JOHNNIE "G" - January 20, 2020 at 08:45 PM

SB

“ R.I.P. DEE-DEE,
MY BIG BROTHER/COUSIN
ONE OF MY" FIRST BABYSITTERS"
I'LL ALWAYS REMEMER THE TIMES
WE SHARED IN LIFE GROWING UP AND
AS WE GREW OLDER I ALWAYS CONSIDERED
YOU A BIG BROTHER, NOT A COUSIN.
MY MEMORIES IN LIFE WILL ALWAYS INCLUDE YOU. LOVE
YOU, MISS YOU
BRINA

SABRINA BAILEY-GAINES - January 20, 2020 at 08:33 PM

MO

“ Monica lit a candle in memory of Donald
Wood Jr.



Monica - January 20, 2020 at 05:31 PM

MO

My condolences to Sondra woods and family

Monica - January 20, 2020 at 05:56 PM



“ Uncle i will miss your smile the most. Your
now an angel. Your smile will always be
remembered in our thoughts and needs. Im
smiling now. I remember! 🌻🌻🌻🌻🌻🌻
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Barbett Foy - January 20, 2020 at 09:24 AM

JB

“ John And Betty lit a candle in memory of Donald Wood Jr.



John and Betty - January 20, 2020 at 08:52 AM

JB

You will be missed

John and Betty - January 20, 2020 at 08:54 AM

JB

Always caring about others

John and Betty - January 20, 2020 at 08:55 AM

HJ

“ Just us having fun me you candy

Herbert jones - January 20, 2020 at 08:42 AM

B.

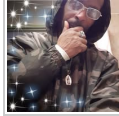
“ Wood family I too want to add my condolences to your family in behalf of your loss. The pain that comes with loosing a love one can seem unbearable, so ask God to keep his arms wrapped around all of you as you grieve this loss..may you find comfort in knowing he is in God's memory and you have the hope of seeing him again in the near resurrection.I pray for comfort for all of you.

B.Smith - January 19, 2020 at 09:18 PM



May God bless him and his angles protect him. R.I.P

Tramel Hayes - January 19, 2020 at 10:30 PM



May God Bless him and his angles protect him. R.I.P

Tramel Hayes - January 19, 2020 at 10:32 PM



May God bless you and your family, Peace.

Freddie LisbonJunior - January 20, 2020 at 07:30 AM



“ *May the Family find peace and healing..rest my friend...*



Rosa English - January 19, 2020 at 09:09 PM



“ *To the Woods family, God Bless y'all in the loss of your brother. Rest In Paradise Donald.*

Gladys Rogers and family.



gladys rogers - January 19, 2020 at 04:22 PM



“ *I love you uncle Dee Dee & forever have you in my heart ❤️❤️Our memories will live on & I will keep it CUTE just for you continue to REST UP 💋💋✈️💔*

Tashia Williams - January 19, 2020 at 03:52 PM



“ *Eartha Wood lit a candle in memory of Donald Wood Jr.*



Eartha Wood - January 19, 2020 at 03:30 PM



“ *Well the time has to say see you later, I will always remember the good laugh we share ,the hugs, our good conversations, I remember you being the best man at our wedding, you always supported the Morrow 's singer, always encouraging, I will truly miss you Love your sister in law Eartha*

Eartha Wood - January 19, 2020 at 01:45 PM



“ *Remembering Our Beloved cousin/brother Donald Wood... You will be greatly and deeply missed. And long remembered! "We Miss You And Love You Much!" ~ "Your Life was a Blessing, your Memory a Treasure... You are loved beyond words and missed beyond measure!" May You Rest In Peace! Love You Much, Your sister/cousin Lainey (Elaine Barber)* ❤️❤️❤️🌹🌹

Elaine Barber - January 18, 2020 at 11:33 AM

DW

“ Hey 'DONALD WOOD JR' (as I would call you). I can hear your reply 'HELLO DEBRA JEAN WOOD'. I write this message but words could never express the love I feel in my heart for you. Our relationship was far beyond cousins. You are the brother that I never had. I will forever cherish the special moments we shared, the laughter, our long talks and even the tears. You were and will always be a huge part of my life. I saw you suffering so I know that you are in a better place but 'I Miss You'. I thank GOD for all the memories and the good times we shared. You are gone now but NEVER forgotten. REST IN PEACE my Brother/Cousin. 'I LOVE YOU ALWAYS'. from Debbie

DEBRA J WOOD - January 18, 2020 at 11:12 AM

GF

SONDRA💜FAMILY

DEATH LEAVES A HEARTACHE NO ONE CAN HEAL 🙏

LOVE LEAVES A MEMORY NO ONE CAN STEAL 🌹

PRAYING FOR YOU SIS🙏
WITH LOVE💜

FRANKLIN💜JONES-BEY💜HOLMES💜DELANEY💜JENKINS💜
PRICE💜FAMILY🙏

G.ANNETTE FRANKLIN - January 19, 2020 at 09:36 PM

GF

🙏LEGENDARY MR DONALD WOOD JR 🙏

REST PEACEFULLY 🌹
JOB WELL DONE💜

PRAYERS ARE UP MY FRIEND 🙏🙏🙏🙏

LOVE💜FRANKLIN💜JONES-BEY💜HOLMES🌹DELANEY🙏
JENKINS💜PRICE🙏FAMILY💜

G.ANNETTE FRANKLIN - January 19, 2020 at 09:44 PM



" SOCKS " , My heartfelt condolences and prayers to you and your family . I will always remember DeDe . Praying that the God of mercy will reign much on you all . Pauline

Linda Henry - January 20, 2020 at 04:41 PM