



Mr. Sterling White

December 17, 1942 - April 9, 2018

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“There is a wonderful peace in knowing that our Lord is always there,  
Watching over us with boundless love, keeping us in his care...”

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Sterling White born December 17, 1942 is the son of the late Julius White and Ruby Beal White of Harrisburg, PA. He heard the voice of God whisper his name as he transitioned from this earthly vessel into eternal life on Monday, April 9, 2018.

Sterling the Pearl and Fissel as he was affectionately known, was preceded in death by his parents along with his grandparents, Ezeal and Ophelia Beal, Aunt, Winnie Jones, and Uncle, Jonah Beal.

Sterling received his formal education in the Harrisburg School District and was a graduate of the former John Harris High School in 1960. He retired from the H. B. Reese Candy Company of Hershey, PA, and from ARC Inc. in Harrisburg, PA.

Sterling was a faithful member of The Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church.

In his leisure, he liked to go to high school basketball and football games and listen to jazz. He loved to travel especially to Hampton, VA, for the Jazz Fest.

Sterling was always well dressed, fashionable, stylish and dapper. Poppy as he was called by his grandchildren loved to watch them playing sports and enjoyed just being around them.

Sterling leaves to cherish his memory, two sons, Dr. Sterling A. White Jr. (Dr. Dwana) of Chesapeake, Virginia, Torrey L. White (Tracey) of Highspire, PA, a daughter, Mia N. White of Bressler, PA, a sister Connice Alphonso (Jesse Sr.) of Harrisburg, PA, a daughter Vickie Thomas, four stepchildren, ten grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, two devoted nephews, Jesse Jr. and JeCon Sr. Alphonso, nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of other family and friends.

Lovingly Submitted by the Family

Previous Events

Flower Delivery

APR 17. 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM (ET)

Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church
212 N Progress Ave
Harrisburg, PA 17109
(717) 541-0388

Viewing

APR 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

APR 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RC

“ *Would like to send our condolences as we've just learned of Mr. Sterlings passing. May the family have peace and so sorry for just learning of this. Mr. Sterling was a valuable customer of ours and he will be missed.*

Rebecca Marcum and crew @ classicdryclea - November 06, 2018 at 08:05 PM

LG

“ *I am sorry to post this so late but I just found out Sterling passed away. Sterling was my counselor when I was in the foster care division of ARC. I never cared to work on myself or my treatment until he became my case worker. Because he had his own story to tell, he understood things I was going through and what I talked about being in the streets. I affectionately called him my other dad. I was 19 the day I got out of placement and whenever I would see him I would always update him on how life was going and there were times I would just tell him I need a counseling session and by the end of the conversation I felt better. He made a huge impact on my life probably more than he ever thought he did. He is part of the reason I got my Human Services Degree and now working as a Case Manager. I don't mean to bring up the hurt of him not being here with us but I wanted to truly let everyone know how much of an amazing man he was and will always be a hero to me.*

Lisa Guyer - November 06, 2018 at 09:08 AM



Mozella Harrison

“ *Mozella Harrison sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Sterling White*




Mozella Harrison - May 21, 2018 at 09:02 AM

MF

“ Dr. White, my condolences to you and your family. I have fond memories of Your dad every time I'm around a little league baseball game. It takes me back to when I was nine years old watching Sterling place for the Susquehanna Township Lions wearing #1. What makes me remember Sterling is I wore #1 for the next 3 years and was proud that he wore it before me.

Mike Foster - April 18, 2018 at 10:43 PM

 Joan
Bonham
Morrill

“ Sterling was always a pleasure to work for. He always had a smile on his face and made everyone around him happy! It was a sad day when he retired from Reese's. My condolences to all his family. RIP Sterling.



Joan Bonham Morrill - April 18, 2018 at 07:46 PM

JP

“ Sterl was a great guy. I remember him cause I to worked at Reese's during his time there. I wish his family the very best. God speed Sterl..... Best wishes... Joe Peters

joe peters - April 17, 2018 at 07:27 PM

AW

“ AnnaMaria Wiilams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Sterling White



AnnaMaria Wiilams - April 17, 2018 at 06:49 PM

DS

“ My deepest condolences to the White Family. Sterling was a great colleague at A.R.C. as we spent many nights working the 3rd shift. Always a smile on his face with and a consummate critic of my coaching skills with the Cougars-but it was all out of fun and love. He reached backed and helped young men and set an example for so many.
I pray that the Lord will provide strength and comfort in the loss of Brother White.

David L. Stewart

DAVID STEWART - April 17, 2018 at 11:32 AM

MF

“ Mr. Sterling White was a supervisor when I started at HB Reese Candy co. He was always fair and very conscious about the Candy co. We all thought he was a great boss. Always willing to listen to any employee. He will be greatly missed.

*Sincerely
Mary L Fake,*

Mary L Fake - April 16, 2018 at 03:38 PM

TR

“ To White Family, prayers of comfort extended to you. Cherish the memories for they will sustain you through this journey.

Tom Reeves & Family

Tom Reeves - April 15, 2018 at 11:07 PM

VT

“ Dad, thank you for all the memories we shared.
I am at peace, my soul's at rest
There is no need for tears
for with your love I was so blessed
for all those many years.
Rest in Heaven, Your Daughter Vickie

Vickie Thomas - April 15, 2018 at 10:57 PM

TF

“ To Sterling, Mia, Torrey, Connie and Jesse Alphonso, We want you to know we share in your grief for Sterling Sr. We have years of good memories and he will always be with us as long as those memories are in our hearts, God will show you a rainbow in the midst of the storm and always remember God will love you pass all the pain, we love you. The Roberts family

The Roberts Family - April 15, 2018 at 07:43 PM

SC

“ To Dr. Sterling, Torrey, Mia White, and the Alphonso family. The St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church of Oberlin, PA. Extend our deepest sympathy to you and your family in your time of sorrow, Earth has no sorrow heaven cannot heal. Love and prayers, Rev. R. Mim Harvey, Pastor and congregation

St. Paul Ame church - April 15, 2018 at 04:08 PM

PP

“ My heartfelt condolences to the White & Alfonso family at this difficult time.
Our thoughts and prayers are with each of you at this difficult time.
Paulette & James Pressley

Paulette Pressley - April 15, 2018 at 10:24 AM

LW

“ Aunt Connie my condolences to you and the family God Bless



Lannie Walton - April 15, 2018 at 03:35 AM

LM

“ May God bless and keep the White family. Haven't seen Sterling in years but treasure our childhood memories.

Lee Moten - April 14, 2018 at 11:14 PM

AC

“ Mr Sterling you will truly be missed. We always had great conversations when I ran into you around town & they would always end with you saying "I will make sure I tell Vickie I saw you". (SMILE) Vickie you know my family & I are keeping you & your family in our prayers. Your Dad was one of the coolest gentlemen I know... God Bless you all... Love Anna Cobb & Family

Anna Cobb - April 14, 2018 at 11:11 PM

DP

“ Dr Sterling White and family,
The Faculty and Staff of PBYOUNG Elementary school send our heartfelt sympathy and love to you and your family. Remember, weeping may endure for a night but Joy comes in the morning! God Bless!

Daphne Perminter-Russell - April 13, 2018 at 10:35 AM

SH

“ *Connie, you and your family are in my prayers.*

Sherry Robison Holloway



Sherry Holloway - April 13, 2018 at 07:32 AM

ES

“ *Cousin Sterling;
We mourn your passing and celebrate your life, remembering your radiant smile, melodic voice, and joyful spirit.
These gifts you shared during your time on Earth, and will live forever in our Hearts. 💕
Enza and Daryl Simpson
Delray Beach Florida*

Enza Simpson - April 12, 2018 at 08:46 PM

AV

You will be missed so much.

Angie vest - April 13, 2018 at 06:52 PM

RW

Vicky Thomas. I am so sorry for the loss of your father Sterling White. I pray that the 💕 Love of God who has no limits unfolds you in this time of grief. Praying & thinking of you. The Lord is high unto them that are of a Broken ❤️ Heart; & savetth such as he of a contrite spirit. Vicky Thomas your dad 💕 Loved you. Ever time he came in the Pharmacy it could be 2 or 3 time's a day sometimes every day he would mention you with a big smile. May God bless you To endure what you're going through. LOVE you .

RITA Williamson - April 15, 2018 at 10:08 PM