

Psalm 91

Those who live in the shelter of the Most High
will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty.
This I declare about the LORD: He alone is my refuge,
my place of safety; he is my God, and I am trusting him.
For he will rescue you from every trap
and protect you from the fatal plague.
He will shield you with his wings. He will shelter you with his feathers.
His faithful promises are your armor and protection.
Do not be afraid of the terrors of the night,
nor fear the dangers of the day.
Do not dread the plague that stalks in darkness,
nor the disaster that strikes at midday.
Though a thousand fall at your side,
though ten thousand are dying around you,
these evils will not touch you.
But if you will see it with your eyes; you will see how the wicked are punished.
If you make the LORD your refuge, if you make the Most High your shelter,
no evil will conquer you; no plague will come near your dwelling.
For he orders his angels to protect you wherever you go.
They will hold you up with their hands to keep you
from striking your foot on a stone.
You will trample down lions and poisonous snakes;
you will crush fierce lions and serpents under your feet!
The LORD says, "I will rescue those who love me.
I will protect those who trust in my name.
When they call on me, I will answer;
I will be with them in trouble.
I will rescue and honor them.
I will satisfy them with a long life and give them my salvation."
Thank you Lord. Amen.

EARTHLY PLACE OF REST
Andersonville National Cemetery
496 Andersonville Cemetery | Andersonville, GA 31711

With Many Thanks

We can see God's love at work
in the warmth of helping hands,
in the comfort that a gentle word imparts,
in the thoughtfulness that offers cheer,
in love that understands...
We can see God's love at work in caring hearts.
May God bless you for being so kind.
It meant even more than you know.

~The Family

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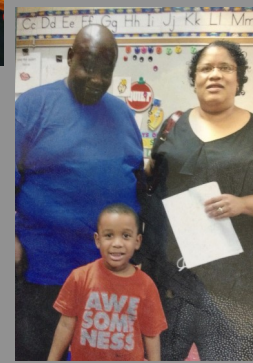
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Celebration of *Life* Honoring *Veteran* **CALVIN** April 26, 1953 December 21, 2020 *Dope*



Tuesday, DECEMBER 29, 2020 | 12 noon

The Grounds of Old Friendship
Missionary Baptist Church
407 Cotton Avenue and Wheeler Street | Americus, GA 31709

Eulogist | Bishop Melvin McCluster
Friendship Missionary Baptist Church

OBITUARY
~Veteran Calvin Pope~
April 26, 1953 | December 21, 2020

VETERAN CALVIN POPE was born April 26, 1953, to the parentage of the late Leonard Pope, Sr. and Doris Thomas Pope, who survives. He received his education in the public schools of Sumter County where he was a 1971 graduate of Plains High School. After graduating, Calvin wanted to follow in the footsteps of his oldest brother by joining the United States Marine Corp to serve his country. At an early age, he gave his life to Christ and joined the Bethlehem Baptist Church. He later became a member of Friendship Missionary Baptist Church.



Calvin worked many years at Davidson Textron as a security guard and Nutrien Fertilizer Plant formerly known as IMC Fertilizer. He also attended South Georgia Technical College where he obtained his CDL license. Calvin was presently employed at Helena Industries for over 16 years as a Line Supervisor. Calvin was member of C.B. Dowdell American Legion Post 558 for over 40 years and served as the Finance Officer.

Calvin united in Holy Matrimony with Susan Gibson Pope in 1982. Calvin and Susie were joined together for 34 years until she departed this earthly home to be with the Lord on February 14, 2016.

Calvin was preceded in death by his father, Leonard Pope, Sr.; his fraternal and maternal grandparents, Ludrell and Mamie Pope, and Boise and Victoria Thomas; a brother and a sister, Donald Pope and Margaret Pope Douglas; a daughter-in-law, Barbara

Laster Pope; and his best friend, Willie Yarborough.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his mother, Doris Thomas Pope, Americus, GA; two sons, Calvin Kentrell Pope and EnRicky Pope, both of Americus, GA; two daughters, Daphane (Derrick) Mann, Americus, GA and Latoya (Aliesha) Green, Augusta, GA; one grandson, Braxton Mann, Americus, GA; two devoted sisters, Linda (James) Larkins, Albany, GA and Nadine Pope, Americus, GA; two brothers, Leonard Pope, Jr. and Harold Pope, Sr. (Sandy Twenty), all of Americus, GA; sisters and brothers-in-law: Linda Dowdell Pope, Americus, GA; Katherine Gibson Holder, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands; Abel (Arthur) Gibson-Lockhart, Summerset, NJ; Lucille (Vernon) Gibson-Wright, St. Albans, NY; Ethel (Otis) Gibson-Harris, Leslie, GA; Vivian (Howard) Gibson-Wright, New York, NY; Carolyn Gibson, Americus, GA; Thelma Gibson, Bonaire, GA; Janice (William) Gibson-Wallace, Americus, GA; Bobby (Bernice) Gibson, Hartford, CT and Arthur (Cassandra) Gibson, Americus, GA; one aunt, Mae Frances Baker, Jacksonville, FL. Calvin is also survived by a host of nieces, nephews, and friends including a close family friend, Calvin Mansfield.

THE CELEBRATION OF LIFE
~Veteran Calvin Pope~
ORDER OF SERVICE

Musical Prelude Mr. Leonard Tyson
Processional led by Bishop Melvin McCluster

Last Glance and Final Sealing

Selection Ms. Lakeia Taylor
Prayer Bishop Melvin McCluster
Scripture
Old Testament Minister Michael Cunningham
New Testament Minister Horace Wimberly

~Recognition and Tribute~
C. B. Dowdell American Legion Post # 558 | Commander Willie Young

Family Tribute Mrs. Valerie McGhee
Selection Ms. Lakeia Taylor
Eulogy Bishop Melvin McCluster
Friendship Missionary Baptist Church

Acknowledgements and Presentation of the Heirloom Family Bible Barnum Funeral Home Staff
Musical Postlude Mr. Leonard Tyson

Recessional

Committal Service | ANDERSONVILLE NATIONAL CEMETERY
496 Andersonville Cemetery, Andersonville, GA 31711
~Military Recognition | Taps and Flag Presentation~



Committal Prayer Bishop Melvin McCluster
Benediction Bishop Melvin McCluster

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