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**TESTIMONIAL
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Testimonial Resolution

In Memoriam

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Deacon Alfred Lee Murphy

July 4, 1945 – September 29, 2019

- WHEREAS:** Mr. Alfred Lee Murphy made his entrance on July 4, 1945 in Inkster, Michigan to the parents of the late Alfred and Virginia Murphy, who preceded him in death. He is the oldest of four siblings: Myron, Robert and William; AND
- WHEREAS:** Mr. Alfred Lee Murphy attended Sumpter Michigan Schools prior to going to Belleville High School, where he was a member of the track team. In 1961 the family moved to Detroit, Michigan, where he later graduated from Mackenzie High School in June 1964. He attended Port Huron Junior College before enlisting in the United States Army during the summer of 1965. While serving in the Army in Vietnam, Alfred "AL" was wounded and received the Purple Heart Army Commendation in March of 1967; AND
- WHEREAS:** Mr. Alfred Lee Murphy was an extremely intelligent man and received a B.S. in History from Wayne State University. In 1980, he met the love of his life, Kathleen (Pretty Face), affectionately call "Kat." Throughout their 30 plus years of marriage, they were inseparable. They did everything together and enjoyed life to the fullest; AND
- WHEREAS:** Mr. Alfred Lee Murphy was an educator who worked as a guest teacher at various Detroit and Southfield Public Schools. He was also a tour guide for the Detroit Institute of Arts. He retired from the Michigan State Department of Human Services as a Social Worker in 2007; AND
- WHEREAS:** Mr. Alfred Lee Murphy accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior and was baptized as a believer. He later joined Cedar Christian Church under the guidance and leadership of Pastor Henry Hall, Jr. Alfred was a dedicated Deacon who served in multiple capacities within the church. Deacon Murphy was the gatekeeper at the church. As a leader, Deacon Alfred Lee Murphy was a proud member of Cedar Christian Prison and Food Ministries. In his continuous service to the community, he volunteered at Magnolia Nursing Home Facility as a gerontology activities coordinator; AND
- WHEREAS:** Deacon Alfred Lee Murphy was an extremely generous man. He always provided a helping hand to those in need. He was someone you could count on. Alfred was an honorable man and a dear friend to many. He was an avid reader and loved playing golf, gardening, and traveling. Alfred was funny and made everyone laugh. He loved spending time with family and friends. Alfred was a dedicated man and treasured his loving wife "Kat"; AND
- WHEREAS:** Deacon Alfred Lee Murphy made his transition at 3:13 am on Sunday, September 29, 2019, surrounded by his wife and children. He leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Kathleen Murphy, Daughters; ToShanna L. Trent (Joseph L.), Jaronique D. Devezin (Terrence D.), Niema A. Stone (Horace E.), one son; DeMarco M. Compton (Carla S.), two God daughters; Danielle Lester and Sharonda Trammel, one God son; Jajuan Judkins, three brothers; Myron, Robert and William Murphy, three grandsons; Darrez, DeMarco II and Arrington, two granddaughters; Angel and Joi, special niece and nephew; Traci Boyd and Kefing Murphy, two brother-in-laws; Ricky Boyd (Pam) and Kenneth Boyd, one sister-in-law; Hedy Boyd (Willie), special friends; Eddie Brown (Denise), Reginald Beasley (Kim), Otis Lane, preceded him in death (Pat), many nieces and nephews and a host of relatives and friends; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT
- RESOLVED:** On this date, October 5th, 2019, that Councilman Roy McCalister, Jr. and the entire Detroit City Council, hereby present this testimonial resolution in Memoriam as an expression of gratitude and esteem, on behalf of the residents of the City of Detroit, to honor the life and service of Deacon Alfred Lee Murphy. We extend our deepest sympathy and join with family and friends to celebrate his life.



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