

***Celebrating the Life
of
Gary Christopher Anderson***

***Sunrise
January 3, 1967***

***Sunset
March 9, 2021***



Monday, March 22, 2021

Viewing: 10:00 a.m.

Service: 11:00 a.m.

***From the Heart Church Ministries®
Annex at 5055 Allentown Road
Suitland, Maryland 20746***

Bishop John A. Cherry, II - Pastor

Obituary



Gary Christopher Anderson was born on January 3, 1967, to Carroll and Elsie Anderson. He departed this earthly life on March 9, 2021.

As a youth, Gary was educated in various Catholic schools where he developed his faith in God. He graduated from Crossland High School a public institution in Camp Springs, Maryland. After graduating high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy where he served for two years. Gary subsequently enjoyed a 30-year career with the U.S. Navy Military Sealift Command. Additionally, he worked with Prince George's County Community Recreation; and Fairfax County Community and Recreation Services (Huntington Community Center). Through his work, he developed strong relationships with both young and old members of the community—fostering lasting connections that will ultimately extend well into the future. Moreover, Gary impacted the lives of many youth, staff, and families in the Huntington Community. He was loved by his many co-workers; and was known to make friends easily by bringing laughter and joy to life.

While working at the Huntington Community Center, Gary met his future wife, Theresia Rollins. The lovely couple was married on June 2, 2013.

Gary, a man of faith, accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Lord and Savior, and joined From the Heart Church Ministries in 1988. Prior to his health declining, he was actively involved in the life of the church and was a longtime member of the Multi-Media Ministry.

Somehow, Gary seemingly always had a commentary in which he shared a unique perspective all while amusing the listener. Because of his love of technology, he developed a knowledge base, and many sought him for answers to their questions. If he didn't know the answer to a question, he would research it or find the person with it and connect the two opinions. Similarly, he didn't hesitate to help people who asked for it.

Gary, an avid Pittsburgh Steelers fan, always shared his love of his favorite football team and made sure everyone knew it in the choices he made—from the colors of his truck and office space—to the colors of the many trinkets he collected. Gary was a caring man who left an indelible mark on those with whom he came in contact. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Gary leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife, Theresia Anderson; stepdaughter, Danielle Rollins; stepmother, Merciel Anderson; brother, Brian Anderson (Harveen); sister, Clauretta Young; as well as many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents, Carroll and Elsie Anderson; and grandparents, Oscar and Louise Parham.

Order of Service

Invocation

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Psalm 37:3-9
New Testament: II Corinthians 5:1-8

Prayer of Comfort

Selection FTH Psalmist

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Ms. Hollie Lopes
Mr. Brian Anderson
Mrs. Theresia Anderson

Obituary (Read Silently)

Song of Preparation FTH Psalmist

Message of Hope Minister James Johnson

Call to Christ

Recessional

Interment
Ft. Lincoln Cemetery
Brentwood, Maryland



I'm Free

Author Unknown

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call,
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day, to laugh,
to love, to work or play.*

*Task left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of the day
If my parting has left a void,
then fill it with remembered joys.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, ah yes,
these things I too will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow:
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I have savored much,
good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
don't lengthen it now with undue grief.*

*Lift up your heart and share with me; God wanted me now,
He set me free!*

Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

he leadeth me beside the still waters.

*He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of
righteousness for his name's sake.*

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;

thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

*Thou preparest a table before me in the presence
of mine enemies:*

thou anointest my head with oil;

my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and

mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:

and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.





Pallbearers

*Brian Anderson
Zach Harper
Donald Rush
Seraj Scott
Daryl Satchel
Andre Williams*

Flower Bearers

Family and Friends

Acknowledgement

We the family of Gary Christopher Anderson sincerely thank all of you for your prayers, comfort, love and support. Your many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy have been a blessing to us. May the Lord Jesus Christ bless and keep you in perfect peace!



Services Entrusted to:

*Strickland Funeral Services
Camp Springs, Maryland*