



Reverend Curtis Lee Locus

April 17, 1932 - September 22, 2022

The angel of the Lord encamps all around those who fear Him, and delivers them.

Psalm 34:7

Curtis Lee Locus was born to the late Claude and the late Pearlie Ham Locus on April 17, 1932, in the Fremont area of Wayne County, North Carolina. Surrounded by family, he transitioned from this earthly life to his eternal heavenly home on September 22, 2022. He was preceded in death by his parents, six siblings and his devoted stepfather, Louis Barnes, and granddaughter Alicia D. Poarch.

Curtis graduated from Norwayne High School. He later attended and graduated from Fayetteville State University, with a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education; then again from the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University with a degree in Agricultural Education with a Driver's Education Instructor certification. He did further studies at N.C. State University, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, and Shaw Divinity School.

Curtis is a Korean Veteran that served in the U.S. Army. He often shared stories of being stationed at Schofield Barracks Army Base in Oahu, Hawaii, home of the 25th Infantry Division, also known as the Tropical Lighting Division. Consequently, he acquired a taste for freshly cut pineapple that

always remained on his radar, but never surpassing his liking for NC locally grown watermelon and other produce.

Curt's early years of faith formation began at home and through attending Union Grove Church because of its proximity to their home. Later, the family started attending where he was baptized in Christian faith at Leventon Chapel Church.

In 1957, Curtis and the forever Naomi Pitt of Bethel, NC were united in marriage. From their union, two children were born: Sharon and Jeffery. As an Educator, he taught in the Rocky Mount city schools and as an instructor for Edgecombe Community College. He retired in 1989 after 31 years of service.

In 1970, Curtis joined the Metropolitan Baptist Church. As a member, he was blessed to serve as church clerk, member of the first male chorus, the senior choir, Sunday school teacher, a leader of the young adult missionary department, as a deacon and as an associate minister.

As a part of Reverend Locus's journey, he was called to serve as the pastor of the Cedar Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Scotland Neck, North Carolina. He served for seventeen years until retiring in 2009 due to declining health. The church honored him with the distinction of Pastor Emeritus.

He leaves to cherish his memory his infinitely devoted wife Naomi Pitt Locus, son Reverend Jeffery B. Locus (Gillian), daughter, Sharon L. Locus, two granddaughters Adrienne P. Grant (Lucas), and Antonia R. Poarch, four great granddaughters Jasmine N. Grant, Alexia D. Poarch, Jordyn E. Grant, and Jayda D. Grant.

Cemetery Details

Rocky Mount Memorial Park

4454 Dortches Blvd
Rocky Mount, NC 27804

Previous Events

Viewing

SEP 27. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Metropolitan Baptist Church
1213 Leggett Road
Rocky Mount, NC 27801

Celebration of Life Service

SEP 27. 2:00 PM (ET)

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1213 Leggett Road
Rocky Mount, NC 27801

Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

Congleton Memorial Mortuary - October 20, 2022 at 10:27 AM



“ *Reverend Curtis Lee Locus*

October 06, 2023 at 05:52 AM



“ *Our family is saddened to hear about the passing of Rev. Curtis Lee Locus. We send our prayers and heartfelt condolences to his wife and family. We pray that you find the peace and comfort that only the Lord can give. We are family and will always remember him as a dear cousin.*

Pastor Mildred Artis and Family

Sandra Artis Kemp - September 30, 2022 at 07:43 PM



“ *Deepest Condolences and sincere sympathy to you and your family during this season of lives. Our prayers are with you .*



Yvonne L. Byrd - September 27, 2022 at 01:35 PM

RF

“ *Rev.Milton & Delorse Staton And Family lit a candle in memory of Reverend Curtis Lee Locus*



Rev.Milton & Delorse Staton and Family - September 26, 2022 at 08:50 PM

AR

“ *Anita Rogers lit a candle in memory of Reverend Curtis Lee Locus*



Anita Rogers - September 26, 2022 at 07:29 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Reverend Curtis Lee Locus.*



September 26, 2022 at 06:39 PM

AS

“ *He will be missed. May the Lord's hands of compassion and love and his guiding light from the Heavens, shine down upon and give the family strength during this time of sorrow. May you find comfort in knowing that we share in your loss. Our prayers are with you. Rev. and Mrs. Robert (Anita) Sanders*



Anita Sanders - September 26, 2022 at 05:22 PM

HD

“ Hazel Brown Davis lit a candle in memory of Reverend Curtis Lee Locus



Hazel Brown Davis - September 25, 2022 at 12:51 AM

GH

“ Sending our deepest condolences to First Lady Locus and family. Rev. Locus was my pastor for many years at Cedar Creek Missionary Baptist Church in Scotland Neck, NC. My husband and I were saddened by this news. Rev. & Mrs. Locus were true missionaries. They called and visited all of the members and their family members whether in the hospital, at home, sick, bereaved or just stopping by to say hello. He was a shepherd who checked on his sheep. If someone was missing for a period of time, he went to find them. Thank you Rev. & Mrs. Locus for caring so deeply for us. He had a pastor's heart! He finished well! May God comfort each of you and give you strength during this difficult time. Therman & Gloria Hunter



Gloria Hunter - September 24, 2022 at 01:38 PM

CG

“ We are saddened to hear of his passing we Are family when you hurt we all hurt just know we love you dearly cousin Camille



Camille Griggs - September 23, 2022 at 06:13 PM

EH

“ *May Jesus Christ Continues To Comfort And Strengthen The Family*



Evangelist Gwen Hudson - September 22, 2022 at 04:01 PM

CS

“ *Congleton Funeral Home and Staff wishes to express our sincere condolence on the passing of your love one. We light this candle in their memory.*



Congleton Funeral Home and Staff - September 22, 2022 at 03:14 PM