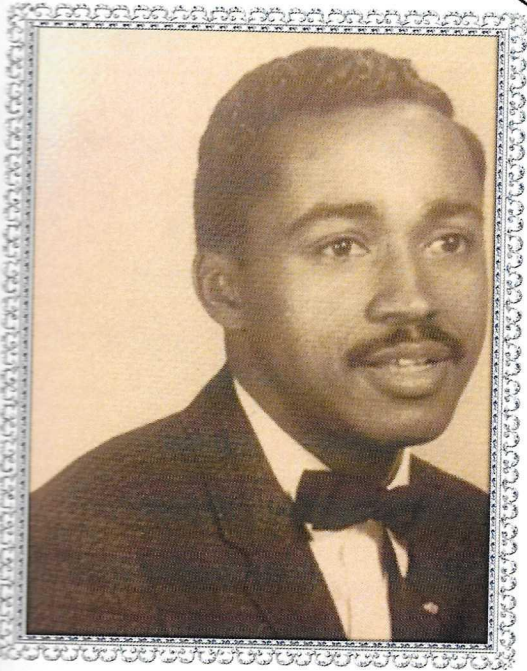
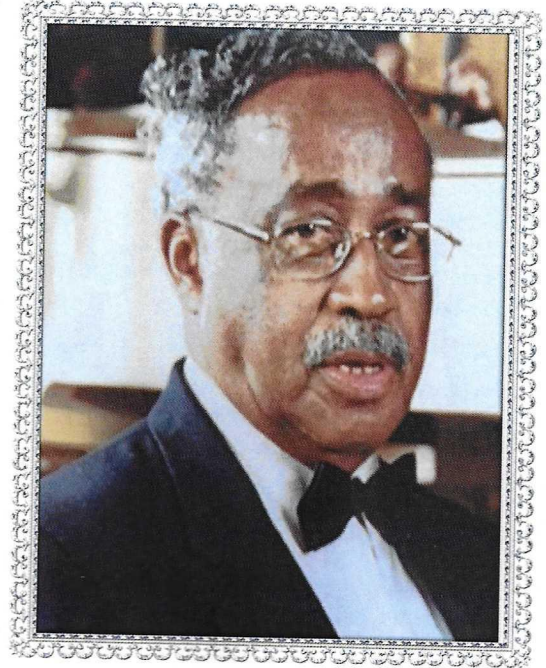


A Homegoing Service for



Sunrise:
June 6, 1938

Sunset:
August 30, 2016



"Pookey"

Elijah John Fisher, III

Tuesday: September 6, 2016
Visitation: 11:00 AM
Homegoing Service: 1:00 PM

White Rock Baptist Church

3400 Fayetteville Street
Durham, North Carolina 27707

"Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God"

Dr. Reginald Van Stephens, Pastor
Dr. Irene Perry, Assistant to the Pastor, Officiant

Obituary

Elijah John "Pookey" Fisher, III, son of the late Reverend Dr. Miles Mark Fisher and Ada Virginia Foster Fisher, was born June 6, 1938 in the church parsonage at 1219 Fayetteville Street, Durham, North Carolina. He departed this life on August 30, 2016 at Duke Hospital in Durham, North Carolina.

He was a member of White Rock Baptist Church during his lifetime. He served as Chair of the Transportation Ministry and drove the van to transport members to church and back home. His membership also included serving as a member of the Trustee Ministry and the Senior choir. He was the Church Secretary from 1957 until late 1960. Pookey was a Member of the Search Committee for the current pastor, Dr. Reginald Van Stephens. He was also a member of the Sanctuary Renovation Committee.

Pookey attended W.G. Pearson Elementary School, James A Whitted Jr High School and Hillside High School. He was a member of the 1956 graduation class of Hillside. He was a 1960 graduate of North Carolina College at Durham, now North Carolina Central University. From 1955 through 1960 while he was a Hillside student and an NCC student, Pookey worked at the Ellis D. Jones & Sons Funeral Home with Mr. Ellis Dequilla Jones, Sr. and Mr. Ellis D. Jones, Jr.. That is where he became interested in Mortuary school. He graduated from the Cincinnati College of Mortuary Science in 1961. He also worked for a time with Mr. Herbert E. Weaver at Weaver's Cleaners and the Stanford L. Warren Public Library; he was the owner of Sunset Taxi. Pookey was licensed as a funeral director in 1960 and licensed as an embalmer in 1961. Elijah John "Pookey" Fisher, III established Fisher Funeral Parlor in 1963 on Mobile Avenue.

Elijah was a charter member of the AS Hunter Lodge #825, F & AM.

Elijah John Fisher, III is survived by three sons and two daughters: Elijah John Fisher, IV, Andrea Lynne Fisher-Jones (Anthea P. Jones), Lynette Nicole Davis-Ambrose (Jason Ambrose), Sean Maurice Davis (Jasmine), and Mark James Fisher. He is survived by seven grandchildren: Jourdain Denzel Fisher, Alexander Sterling Jones, Aiyana Symone Jones, Ethan Ambrose, Amari Nicole Davis, Gabriel Davis, and Sean Maurice Davis, II. Elijah was married to Betty Jane Talford on April 21, 1962 and to Goldie Jones Davis on March 23, 1985.

Elijah is also survived by siblings Florida Lucille Fisher Parker, Dr. Miles Mark Fisher, IV, Christopher Tenant Fisher (Yvonne J. Fisher) Dr. Ada M. Fisheron and Janice L. Jones Fisher, and a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews of the Talford, Jones, and Foster families. Other extended family members to be acknowledged are Parepa Bland Watkins and Daniel Eric Moore.

Order of Service

PRELUDE

Dr. Paula D. Harrell

HYMN

Combined Choirs:
White Rock Baptist Church and
New Hope Baptist Church

SCRIPTURES:

(Old Testament Psalm 133)
(New Testament Matthew 5:1-16; Ecclesiastes 3:1-14)

Dr. Jerome Washington, Pastor
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church
Durham, NC

PRAYER

Rev. Kenneth R. Hammond, Pastor
Union Baptist Church
Durham, NC

SOLO

"The Lord's Prayer"

Ms. Marsha Goodwin Kee

TRIBUTE

Mr. Randal Moore Rogers

SOLO

Ms. Jean Lassiter Horton

TRIBUTE

Dr. Ada Markita Fisher

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Ms. Minnie Forte-Brown

MEDLEY

Dr. Paula D. Harrell

EULOGY

Dr. Reginald Van Stephens

SOLO

"It Is Well"

Minister Gwen Hudson Chambers

RECESSIONAL

Interment

Beechwood Cemetery, Section A
Durham, North Carolina 27707

Drivers in the Procession: Please Turn on Your Headlights and Flashers for Safety.

Floral Bearers

Hillside High School
Class of 1956 Friends

Pallbearers

A.S. Hunter Lodge #825 F&AM

Honorary Pallbearers

Hillside High School Class of 1956
Staff of Fisher Funeral Parlor

Acknowledgements

On behalf of Elijah John "Pookey" Fisher, III,
we thank the Durham and area communities
for your support and patronage during his lifetime.

We ask for your continued support of
Fisher Funeral Parlor and the Fisher family.
May God continue to richly bless you.

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Repast After Burial

White Rock Baptist Church Fellowship Hall (Family and Friends)
Catered by The Chicken Hut

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