



Mr. Samuel McNair

March 3, 1938 - October 25, 2022

Mr. Samuel McNair passed away peacefully at his home in Capitol Heights, Maryland on October 25, 2022. He was born March 3, 1938 to Rev. Robert McNair and Mrs. Negolia McNair in Jackson, NC. As a child he attended Halifax County Public Schools and graduated from Ralph J. Bunche High School in Weldon, NC. After high school he entered North Carolina A&T State University and soon after answered the call to the Military serving in the United States Army. After military service, he continued his education at D.C. Teacher's College and Prince George's Community College majoring in Business Administration and Criminal Justice. He was married to Ruthie Maria McNair on April 6, 1968 and they had 3 children Franchestee Barner, Fritzgerald McNair and Verita Powers. Samuel and Ruth were married for 50 years.

After college he pursued another call to service, this time with United States Capitol Hill Police Department (USCP). He served as a Capitol Hill Police Officer for three decades protecting and securing Congress so it can fulfill its constitutional and legislative responsibilities in a safe, secure and open environment. Following his retirement from the police force, he then served in the U.S. Marshal Service (USMS) protecting the U.S. District Court, District of Columbia.

As a Police Officer, he earned the rank of Sergeant and completed numerous education, training, and certification courses throughout his career. He became a mentor for junior officers and also forged lifelong friendships with

colleagues from USCP and USMS.

He fully retired in 2005 and then enjoyed spending more time at First Baptist Church of Marshal Heights where he was a faithful member since 1964. He continued to serve in the Male Chorus and participated in Sunday School in person while able and then virtually. His church family meant a great deal to him and for many decades was a place of spiritual refuge and strength for him and his family.

Samuel is survived by his children: Franchestee Barner (Dr. H.L.) of Stafford, VA; Fritzgerald McNair (Fleurette) of San Diego, CA; Verita Powers (Cedric) of Springfield, VA and five grandchildren: Captain Haven Barner, Cassidy Powers, Gabriella Barner, Jonathan Powers, Faith McNair and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

Samuel loved God and served Him faithfully. He also loved to serve and protect his family and community to which he devoted his life. His was a blessed life and his legacy of faithful service lives on.

Dad, thanks for leading us in the paths of righteousness and although you're gone for now, you'll never be forgotten and we will see you again one day.

Funeral for Samuel McNair

Friday, November 4, 2022

10am - 11am Family/Friend Visitation

11am - 12:00pm Funeral Service

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

OF MARSHALL HEIGHTS

4934 B STREET, S. E.

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20019

202-584-2230

REV. DR. ANDRE' D. IVY, PASTOR

Military Interment

Saturday, November 5, 2022 1pm

Crestview Memorial Cemetery

489 Smith Church Road

Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina, 27870

Phone

252-537-4914

Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

In lieu of flowers please send any donations to the
The American Cancer Society (Samuel McNair)
<https://www.cancer.org/involved/donate.html>
Contact Phone 800.227.2345

Send cards to Samuel McNair
5722 Eagle Street Capitol Heights, MD 20743

Cemetery Details

Crestview Memorial Cemetery

489 Smith Church Road
Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Marshall Heights
4934 B Street SE
Washington, DC 20019

Funeral service

NOV 4. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Marshall Heights
4934 B Street SE
Washington, DC 20019

Tribute Wall



“ Johnson & Jenkins Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Samuel McNair



Johnson & Jenkins Funeral Home - November 04, 2022 at 08:37 AM

JM

To the McNair Family,
We are saddened for the loss of Mr. Samuel McNair, but what he reflects can be found in the Holy Bible in 2 Timothy 4: 7-8, “I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith, henceforth, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness.” May he rest in peace. - Bernard and Elie Medie and family

Joanne Medie - November 04, 2022 at 02:38 PM

QM

“ So sorry for your loss of your father, our family is praying for all of you.

Manny

Quentin Green aka Manny - November 05, 2022 at 11:11 AM

RG

“ Truly fortunate to have met Mr. McNair and witness his inspiring legacy (which lives on through his children & grandchildren)!!! My sincere condolences to the family! 🙏

RM Gant - November 02, 2022 at 01:30 PM

SR

“ To The McNair Family,
I am saddened to hear the news of the passing of Brother McNair. I offer my sympathy to the Family and will continue to pray that God will strengthen and comfort the Family. What a Christian man. He was one of the Faithful Trio during the Bible Study class. He will be missed. Thank God for the memories. Hold onto the memories. They will always be in our heart, today and forever. My prayers and thoughts are with the family during this difficult time. With Sympathy and Love. Sister Rachel

Sister Rachel - November 01, 2022 at 08:29 PM

SG

“ Smith G. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Mr. Samuel McNair.



Smith G. - November 01, 2022 at 04:47 PM

JF

“ I’m so Grateful for a Journey of Love

Today I am remembering my dad and the great memories we shared. He was one of a kind. There isn't a day that goes by that I don't think of him and smile.”

I'm so thankful God gave you as my dad. I've always felt loved and protected by you. You taught me so much about faith, love and forgiveness. You were so calm throughout my life. We could talk about anything. I don't think I've ever seen you angry. Your love and support helped me accomplish many things and I could always count on your sound advice and wisdom. You helped me see through your life that serving, listening and helping others is important. We had so many great times and laughter. I remember you rollerskating with me, teaching me to swim, fixing my bike when it wasn't working, playing golf, helping me drive, teaching me how to change a tire and the oil in my car and so many other things. I will cherish all those memories. It was an honor to care for you and help you through your sickness. I remember so many of your prayers and scriptures and one favorite is Psalm 91:1 “He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty”. We will miss you dearly but know you are in heaven with Jesus. I'm sure you are rejoicing too! Until we meet again.

With Love, your daughter Verita

Johnson & Jenkins FH - November 01, 2022 at 04:09 PM

JH

“ *Our Father, God’s Servant*

Dad, no words can ever explain what you mean to your children, your wife and your family.

Also, no words can explain what Jesus means to you.

He was, and is, your everything, since to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord.

The thought of you and mom reunited in paradise, brings joy to my heart.

Dad, you taught me many things to prepare me for manhood, for life, and for eternity.

You taught me to study hard in school, but also to study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that need not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

You taught me to keep records of all big business transactions, but also that love keeps no record of wrongs.

And, you taught me one of your father’s favorite verses from Psalm 116, which he preached from regularly.

The Psalmist asks the question, “What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me? I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all his people.”

Granddaddy taught you, and you taught me, that in this life, it’s about service and sacrifice—no matter what.

Many times while holding hands and praying in a family huddle you would say, “Thank You Lord that our family circle remains unbroken.” And we remain that way today thanks to your love and faithful leadership. We love you Pops and we will see you again one day!

Your Son,

Fritz F.S. McNair (aka “Junie”)

PD

“ *My dear Uncle/Brother, One of the most lovable person I have known. I loved 🤔 him and will miss him.*



Patricia McNair Davis - November 01, 2022 at 02:22 PM

FB

“ Our Patriarch Emeritus

For as long as I can remember you have been the Patriarch of our family. A man who led the way by deeds and actions. You have been an encourager and protector for many years. Always providing solid advice and a willingness to help in any way possible. We all knew you were there if we ever needed anything. You had our backs. I thank you for a life of humility, perseverance, and spiritual fortitude.

I will never forget the beautiful prayers and scriptures you shared with all of us during our family gatherings and celebrations. One scripture that stands out in my mind is Romans 4:17 “call those things which are not as though they were.” You helped us remember not to focus on the challenge but to focus on the victory. We have to say what we want it to be even if it is not that way in the moment. Your presence and blessings will live on in our hearts and memories. We have wonderful stories to tell your great grandchildren. You will be forever missed but we will endeavor to remember that you are in a better place; the place you so desperately wanted to be. You mentioned on several occasions you were ready when the Lord decided it was your time. I wish you were here so I could ask you some questions about heaven. I would ask if you were happy and enjoying heaven and you would answer with your favorite word “absolutely!” Then give a big smile to confirm the answer. I am happy to know you are in a better place and are so very happy. Enjoy your new life. Farewell until we meet again.

With Eternal Love

Your daughter, Franchestee J. Barner

Franchestee Barner - November 01, 2022 at 02:17 PM

AG

“ To the children of Samuel, I am a first cousin of your father. His father and my dad, Ernest, were brothers. When Samuel came to NC ,he made sure he saw my dad,mom and the rest of us. To know Samuel was to love him. He will be truly missed but now he is safe in the arms of Jesus. Rip my dear cousin. Praying 🙏🙏 for the family.



Angela green - November 01, 2022 at 01:17 PM

TD

“ Thaddeus Daniels lit a candle in memory of Mr. Samuel McNair



Thaddeus Daniels - November 01, 2022 at 11:48 AM