



Elijah L. White Jr.

August 14, 1954 - March 31, 2025

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the sudden passing of our loving brother, Elijah L.

White, Jr., who was affectionately known as "Larry" & "Junior" on March 31, 2025. He was born to Elijah and Geneva White on August 14, 1954. He graduated from Wilbur Cross High School in 1972.

Upon graduation he joined the military where he spent three years in the US Airforce, as well as in Vietnam. In the early 80s he graduated from Trade School as a Certified Heating and Air Conditioning/and Plumbing Technician.

Larry's talent as a musician began showing when he was in Grade School learning how to read music and playing the piano. At the same time, he picked up the trumpet. As he progressed at playing the piano, his father purchased a homestyle Hammond organ. Larry's musical journey continued in the late 60s to early 70s - joining a local band called "J.D. and the. Soul Twisters" who played throughout the New Haven area night clubs, especially the Elks Club. After his

time in the military he picked up musically from where he left off, joining another band called "WB and the Jammers." Later he became a member of a very popular group in the late 1970s called "The Untouchable Machine Shop" that toured throughout CT, the East Coast, Midwest, and Canada. Elijah's love and passion for music led him to join another local group in the 90s called "The Top-Notch Ensemble", founded by the late Robert Winters.

Larry was a virtuous musician whose God-given talent was artistically skilled on playing the Hammond 83 organ. His style was often used to play in church, as well as in other religious functions. He performed Gospel, Rhythm and Blues, Smooth Jazz, as well as other genres.

Larry loved his family. He held many titles in his life from this to that, using his certification to assist various family members by helping them, from home repairs to babysitting...yet still being 'Uncle Larry'. While Larry left us far too soon, the impact he had in the community was immeasurable and will be felt in the years to come. Larry accepted the Lord, Jesus Christ, as his Lord and Savior and used his gift to continue playing for the New Bethlehem Church for which he was a member until his illness.

Larry was predeceased by his daughter; Monica Fontenot, Father Elijah L. White, Sr., Mother

Geneva White, sister Sheila Golding, Eugene White, and nephews Dwayne, Tythron, Terrence and Douglas. He is survived by brothers Sherman and Calvin White, Sister Robin Leonard, uncle Scott McKinnie Sr. aunt Dorothy Banks as well as a host of nieces and nephews. Larry will be truly missed by his family, friends, peers, and many fans.

Services will be held at Living Water Citadel Center of Worship, 848 Dixwell Avenue Hamden, CT.

Viewing time will be 9:00am - 9:30am; services will be from 9:30am -10:45am. Military burial service to follow at the State Veterans Cemetery, 317 Bow Lane in Middletown, CT. at 12:00pm Donations can be made to the American Heart Association.

Cemetery Details

Connecticut State Veterans Cemetery

317 Bow Lane
Middletown, CT 06457

Previous Events

Calling Hours

APR 16. 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (est)

Living Water Citadel Center of Worship
848 Dixwell Avenue
Hamden, CT 06514

Funeral Service

APR 16. 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM (Est)

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Burial

APR 16. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mamie Darden lit a candle in memory of Elijah White* ”



Mamie Darden - April 15, 2025 at 10:53 AM