

Pallbearers

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Internment

*Herring Family Cemetery
Burgaw, North Carolina*

Acknowledgement

*We would like to thank you for the prayers you said that
played a part in easing the sadness within our heart-
The thoughtful words of encouragement helped us find the
strength to carry on.*

*With sincere appreciation we thank you and may God bless
each of you.*

Celebrating The Life of



*Cicero Charles Lindberg Murphy
July 12, 1931 - February 28, 2003*

Thursday, March 6, 2003

*Open Viewing
9:30am - 1:00pm*

*Funeral Service
1:00pm*

*Service Held At
Dunn Funeral Home
810 W. Wilmington Street
Burgaw, NC 28425*

The Obituary

Cicero C. L. Murphy

Cicero Murphy made an unexpected but peaceful transition on February 28, 2003 surrounded by his wife, daughter, son-in-law and cousins in Detroit, Michigan, his home for close to 40 years.

Cicero, the son of Lula B. Herring and Judd (Judge) Murphy was born in Burgaw, N.C. on July 12, 1931. His parents; brothers James Arthur, Herbert (Jack) and sister Annie preceded him in death.

Cicero graduated from C. F. Pope High School, Burgaw, N.C. in 1949. After high school in 1950, he joined the U.S. Navy, H.S.S.R. to Radarman 3c. After 4 years of service to his country, he focused on his education. He received a B.S. Degree in Business Administration in 1958 from N. C. A&T College in Greensboro, N.C. He was the Acting Business Manager at Shaw University while taking classes toward an M.S. Degree in Commerce at N.C. A&T college. In 1963, Cicero began working for N.C. A&T as an Administrative Officer at the college until his move to Michigan. After moving to Michigan, he attended Detroit College of Law, Detroit, Michigan; where he completed 1-1/2 years of study.

He worked at Wolf Envelope Co., prior to accepting a position as the Controller for Ed Davis's Chrysler Dealership in Detroit, Michigan. He subsequently served as the Controller for Sheller Globe Corporation in Detroit, Michigan. His employers and colleagues held him in high esteem for his thorough knowledge and innovative abilities.

However, he decided to pursue his love of finances by establishing his own business, Amerycus Tax & Bookkeeping Services. His sole proprietorship afforded him the opportunity to shorten his workday to pick up his grandson, Antoine, from school and spend time doing their favorite things where they developed a special bond. He continued his business as long as his health permitted.

Cicero will be remember by many for his independent spirit. He did not mind taking the road less traveled or blazing his own. He loved a challenge and it is not surprising that the script he wrote in his high school year book was "The road to success is marked, push".

Cicero's family is comforted by his push to attend the family reunion in August, 2002. He was re-united with family members and friends he had not seen in years.

He leaves to celebrate his life and cherish his memory his wife, Gwendolyn, daughter LuAnn, son Dwayne; three children from a prior marriage , Charles, Dorenda and Carmelita; one sister Mrs. Nettie Ashley; grandchildren, Antoine, Kyle, Taelor, great grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

The Order of Service

Prayer

Hymn/Solo

Blessed Assurance

Scripture

Old Testament

Psalm 23

Rev. Edmund T. Coston

New Testament

Mark 13: 32-37

Rev. Edmund T. Coston

Acknowledgement of Cards, Telegrams
and Condolences

Family Member

The Obituary

Family Member

Remarks

(Two Minutes)

Hymn/Solo

My Hope is Built

The Eulogy

Rev. Edmund T. Coston

The Benediction

I give you this one thought to keep, I am with you still -

I do not sleep. I am a thousand winds that blow, I am the diamond glints on snow, I am the sunlight on ripened grain, I am the gentle autumn rain.

When you awaken in the morning's hush, I am the swift, uplifting rush of quiet birds in circled flight. I am the soft stars that shine at night.

Do not think of me as gone-

I am with you still - in each new dawn.

