

Service Of Death And Resurrection

for

Judson H. Kerr, Sr.

1925 - 1994

*"God will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more,
neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore,
for the former things have passed away"*

(Rev. 21:4)



TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 1994

Eleven o'clock in the morning: Family Hour

Twelve o'clock noon: Homegoing Service

Sharp Street Memorial United Methodist Church

1206 Etting Street

Baltimore, Maryland 21217

Rev. Dr. Bruce F. Haskins, Senior Pastor

Rev. Leon H. White, Minister of Visitation

Mr. Morris C. Queen, Minister of Music

Services rendered by the March Funeral Home

- *Obituary* -

JUDSON HAYNES KERR, SR. was born in Baltimore, Maryland on January 24, 1925 to the late Dr. Thomas Henderson Kerr, Sr. and the late Geneva Lyles Kerr. He was educated in the Baltimore Public Schools and was a member of the Douglass High School Class of 1943. His father, a pharmacist, owned and operated a drug store at the corner of Myrtle Avenue and George Street for forty years. Likewise, Judson attended Pharmacy School at Howard University and later opened a patent medicine store at Lafayette and Fremont Avenues where he stayed for forty years. In 1958 he changed businesses and became a real estate broker and tax consultant. He retired from the tax business in January of 1984 because of diminished sight but continued property management from home. When his wife the former Delores Parker retired in 1986, she then became his business partner.

Throughout his business ventures, Judson was always the champion for the less fortunate, the uneducated, and the elderly. He would take them by the hand and lead them through difficult situations. He protected their interests and saw that they were treated fairly by others. His whole life revolved around business and his family. To the end, he was "the boss" and tried to exert his influence in all situations. His family, and sometimes his club members, graciously let him do so. Even without advanced formal education, he always had good advice for his friends, business associates, and family.

He was a member of SCORE (Sociable Couples Organized for Relaxation and Entertainment). Until his sight began to fail, he was an avid reader, liked to play pinochle, enjoyed traveling and watching boxing, baseball, football, and basketball. He attended Sunday School and was a member of Sharp Street Memorial United Methodist Church for most of his life.

In addition to his love and devoted wife, Delores, who was also his friend and business partner, he is survived by: four sons, Judson, Jr., James, Sr., Jerald, and David; one daughter, Jessie L. Lawrence; twelve grandchildren; four great grandchildren; one sister, Louise K. Hines; three daughters-in-law, Gertrude, Deborah, and Lynne; mother-in-law, Mary Parker; sisters-in-law, Hortense R. Kerr, Claudette Parker, and Jean Parker; brothers-in-law, Calvin and Reggie Parker.

So long, Big Jake; have a safe journey, and we'll see you when we get there. We will always cherish your memory.

The Family