

In Loving Memory of
Deacon Floyd E. Morris

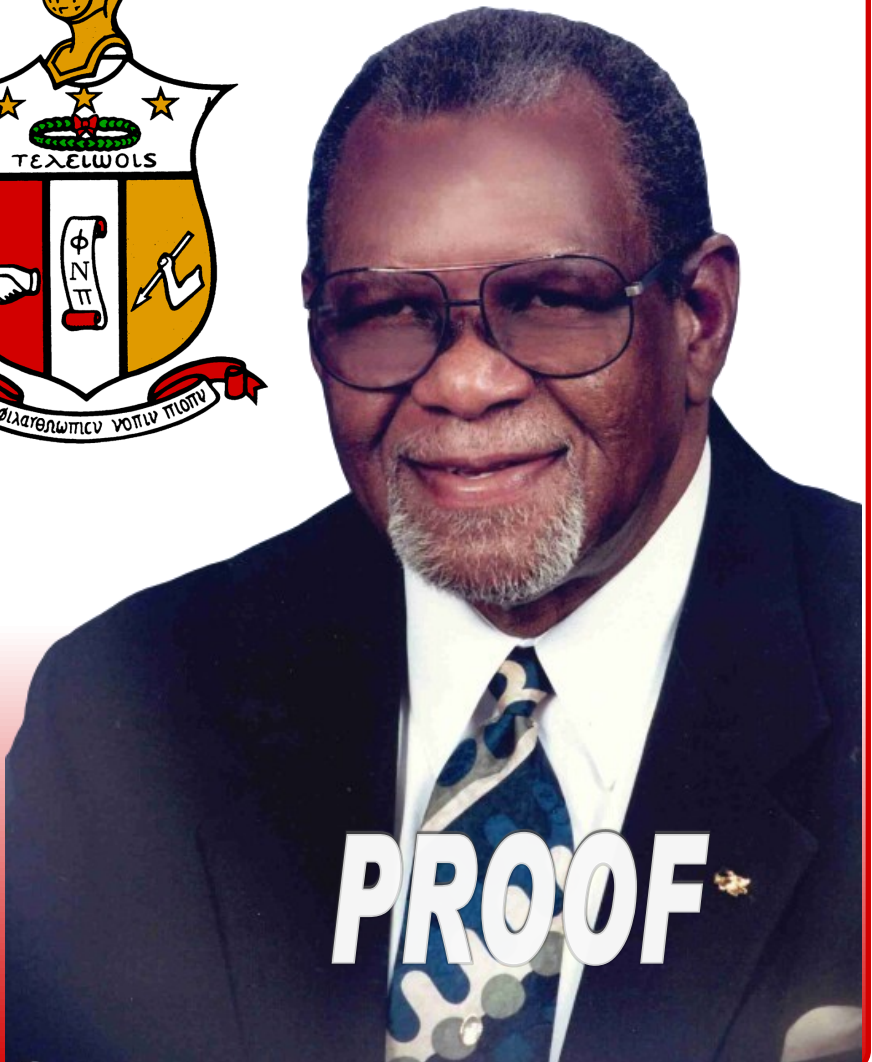
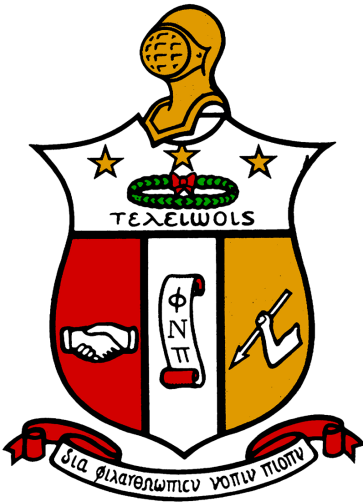
Sunrise: July 10, 1934 ~ Sunset: November 6, 2020

Saturday, November 14, 2020

9:00 AM

Laurel Grove South Cemetery

2101 Kollock Street | Savannah, Georgia



Obituary

*“A Giant of a Man who gave unselfishly of himself
and on whose shoulders so many were able to find love and support”*

This giant of a man, Floyd E. Morris, was born on July 10, 1934 to Octavia C, Martin Morris and Edwin Charles Morris in Wham, Louisiana. Raised by Jasper Johnson, his stepfather, he attended Columbia County schools graduating as a three-sport athlete and earning varsity letters in football, basketball and track. He graduated as the valedictorian of his class in May 1952 and later enrolled at Arkansas AM & N College, now known as the University of Arkansas Pine Bluff. An excellent orator and scholar, this giant of a man immersed himself into college life as a member of the Student Council, Pan-Hellenic Council, Student Christian Association and the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., where he served as Polemarch during his senior year.

After graduating with a degree in health and physical education, Morris did a stint in the military and was stationed at Fort Stewart in Hinesville. In the military he continued his love of sports while serving on the base's football team.

His prowess as a giant grew even stronger once he began a long and distinguished career as an educator and a coach. He shared his knowledge and wisdom with so many students who readily recognized his ability to pour meaningfully into their lives. He served as teacher/coach at Sol C. Johnson High School for nine years (1959-1968), five years as head football coach and athletic director at Richard Arnold High School (1968-1972). He was also a member of the Georgia Independent Association of Savannah Coaches and Officials for ten years. In 1970, he was appointed as the school district's Community Education Director where he coordinated the adult education programs. Later he was named Assistant Superintendent for the Division of Support Services for the Savannah Chatham County Board of Education.

Morris received many accolades after his retirement. In 1995, he was a citation honoree for the Greater Savannah Athletic Hall of Fame; in 2012, he was a citation honoree in the inaugural class of the Johnson High School Athletic Hall of Fame; in 2016, the City of Savannah renamed the football field at Daffin Park from Optimist Field to the Floyd E. Morris Field; and in 2018 he was inducted into the Frank Callen Boys and Girls Club Hall of Fame.

Morris was a devout member of the Historic Second African Baptist Church in downtown Savannah since 1959. He taught the Adult Class in Sunday School, served as the Superintendent of the Sunday School, and served as a church deacon. For his labor, his church honored him with the title of Chairman Emeritus in 2001.

He was preceded in death by his mother, father, stepfather, brothers Walter J. Morris, Robert F. Morris, Frank Morris, Joe Morris, John A. Morris, sister, Pearl Morris and a devoted wife and son Agatha C. Morris and Edwin C. Morris.

His legacy as a giant of giants will be long remembered and cherished by Peggy J. Morris, a niece; Walter J. Morris, Jr. and Mark A. Morris (Veronica), nephews; a host of grand nephews and nieces, cousins, loving friends and hundreds of athletes and students whose lives were impacted and transformed by the example he set and the wisdom he imparted.

Deacon Floyd Edwin Charles Morris
Order of Service

Presiding ~ Rev. Chester Ellis,
Pastor, St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church

Prayer	Rev. Xavier Creekmur Pastor, Second African Baptist Church
Scripture Readings	
Old Testament	Rev. Xavier Creekmur
New Testament	Rev. Paul Burney
Music	Adams Funeral Services
Tributes	
As a fellow SABC Deacon	Dea. Charles Hartwell
As a Richard Arnold Alumni	Bro. Stanley Mosley
As a Sol C. Johnson High Alumni	Bro. Charlie Smith
Acknowledgements	Richard Arnold High School Alumni
Music	Adams Funeral Services
Eulogy	Rev. Robert F. Morris, II Associate Minister, Evergreen Missionary Baptist Church

Benediction, Committal, Interment



Pallbearers

Sol C. Johnson Athletic Hall of Fame
Richard Arnold High School Alumni

Acknowledgements

The family of Deacon Floyd Edwin Charles Morris sincerely thank all of our many friends and family for the outpouring of love and sympathy shown to us during this time of loss. We are assured that we are blessed because of your overwhelming love and support. We lost a Giant among Giants, but with God's grace and mercy, we will make it. May God continue to bless all of you is our prayer.



Final arrangements for our loved one entrusted to:

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