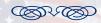


Order of Service

Invocation Elder Fred Powell
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We would like to express our sincerest thanks to all of you for your thoughts, visits, prayers, gifts, and all other acts of incredible kindness extended to our family during our time of bereavement. May God bestow his richest blessings upon each and every one of you.







Obituary



Elder Elvin Lester Polk of Harrisburg, PA went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, September 23, 2021, at the age of 77.

Elvin was born to the late Jonas (John) Polk and Leily (Dillard) Polk on March 2nd, 1944, in Canton, Ohio. After graduation, he entered the United States Army and served as a medic with the 1st Battalion, 7th Cavalry (Vietnam). Private Polk received several honors for his service: including a Vietnam Service Medal, Combat Medic Badge, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Bronze Star Medal, and a National Defense Service Medal. In a newspaper article written about his incredible heroism, Elvin was quoted as saying,

"You don't stop to think what's happening. When you hear a cry for 'medic,' you just go." His commitment to serving others was rooted in his unwavering faith in God.

Having been raised in a deeply religiously family, Elder Polk felt God calling him to the ministry from a very young age. After being baptized in Jesus Name and receiving the gift of the Holy Ghost, Elder Polk began his ministry under the late Bishop James Tyson, at Bethel Apostolic Church, in Canton, Ohio. His ministry later brought him to Harrisburg, PA where he served as Assistant Pastor under the late Elder John W. Easton. Elder Polk was known—not only for his animated preaching style, and anointed musical ministry, but also—for his dynamic fashion sense. Elder Polk would later go on to establish his own church—Tree of Life Apostolic (Harrisburg, PA)—with his late wife, and Assistant Pastor Linda T. Polk. During his lifetime of devout and steadfast service to preaching the precious Word of the Lord, Elder Polk served alongside many esteemed men and women of God; including Suffragan Bishop William Anderson, of Bethlehem Temple (York, PA), and Christ Gospel Temple (Harrisburg, PA); Pastor Linda Mounds, of Christ Gospel Temple (Harrisburg, PA); and Elder Fred Powell, of Open Door Apostolic Church (Harrisburg, PA).

Elder Polk was preceded in his Heavenly arrival by his wife Linda T. Polk; seven brothers—Thomas Edward, Tony Eugene, Wallace Cornelius, Morris Lee, John Wesley, James Delano, and Nelson D. Polk—and three sisters; LuNellie Polk, Beatrice Polk-Hill, and Fern M. Polk-Davis. He leaves to cherish his memory two sons, Terence (Tank) Tucker, and Laurence Michael Polk Sr.; a daughter, Aundraa Michelle Polk; a sister Cheryl S. Polk; two brothers-in-law, Elder Larry Tucker and Shellie Tucker; two sisters-in-law, Patsy Price and Jean Baltimore; five grandchildren, Teraje D. Tucker Sr., Diamond S. Tucker, Tayler M. Tucker, Laurence M. Polk Jr., and Benjamin B. Polk; five greatgrandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, friends, and church family.