

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard His call.*

I turned my back and left it all.

*I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace, at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joys.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow.
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I've savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my 95 years seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts, and peace to thee.*

God wanted me now,

He set me free.

*In Loving Memory
of*

Jay Fuller Sauls, Sr.



*Sunrise
April 2, 1927*

*Sunset
April 6, 2022*

Obituary

Jay Fuller Sauls, Sr. was born on April 2nd, 1927 to Archie T. and Jo Ethel Sauls of Waco, Texas who preceded him in death. Jay passed on April 6th, 2022. He was one of eleven children born to his parents, eight of whom preceded him in death. Brothers are William Archie Sauls, John Henry Sauls, Joseph Sauls, Roosevelt Sauls and Wade Arthur Sauls. Sisters are Ora Lee Sauls, Emma Louise Sauls, Gloria Ethel Miller and Bettye Joanne Sanford who lives in Swansea, Illinois and Precious Joy Sauls resides in East Hampton, New York.

Jay was a World War II Veteran and served in the European Theater of Operation and received an Honorable Discharge. He also served as a Technical Sergeant in the Air Force Reserves. He was a 1950 graduate of the University of Denver. He was also an inactive 32nd Degree Mason of Mountain Plains Consistory.

Jay was the first black man to work for the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency. He was the founding member for the Charter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity in East St. Louis, Illinois area. He was a great inspirational person not only for the family but also for minority professionals. The racism he dealt with was paramount but he stood strong and opened the doors for many that followed in his steps.

Jay was a government employee for 32 years. During his employment, he served as a technical training instructor with the Department of Defense, a Cartographer with Aeronautical Chart Information Center, and a Contract Specialist with the U.S. Army Aviation Systems Command, St. Louis, Missouri. His next assignment was as an Equal Employment Opportunity Specialist with the Defense Contract Administration Center, St. Louis, Missouri. Jay became an Area Director, Operations Chief, Western Division for the Denver office. He was also appointed as an Assistant Regional Director for the Department of Labor, Office of Federal Contract Compliance for the Denver Region with special tours of duty in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and Dallas, Texas. During his stay in Denver, he wrote and narrated a 57-minute film on contract compliance for the U.S. Air Force Department of Logistics Training, Lowry Air Force Base in Colorado. Jay was later appointed as the Assistant Regional Director for the Chicago and Boston regions with a work force of over 160 employees as a CS-15. He attended specialized training at the Air Command and Staff School, Montgomery, Alabama, the Defense

Procurement Course in Virginia, and a specialized management course at the University of California.

Jay married Dorothy F. Ellison in Chicago, Illinois in 1982, and they were married for 40 years. He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife Dorothy; sons: Jay F. "Pete" Sauls, Jr. (Gwen), Jay Kevin Sauls, Sr., Christopher J. Sauls, Anthony L. Vaughn, Cory J. Sauls (Monica), and daughters: Cheryl Campbell (Woodrow), Carla M. Sauls, Carmen Y. Welch (Richard), Sonya E. Welch, Teresa Palmer-Wishum; and a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, relatives and friends.



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Order of Service

Processional It Belongs To Me”
Juan & Lisa Winans

Military Honors

Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Psalm 23 Dr. Troy W. Simmons, Pastor
Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church
Lone Star, Texas

New Testament - John 14: 1-3 Jay Kevin Sauls, Sr.

Remarks Limit to 2 minutes or less

Song “I Know My Redeemer Lives”
Karima

Eulogy Pastor , Dr. Don L. Sanford

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Recessional “When I Pray”
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As I Sit In Heaven

*As I sit in heaven and watch you every day,
I try to let you know with signs, I never went away
I hear you when you're laughing,
And watch you as you sleep
I place my arms around you to calm you as you weep
I see you wish the days away,
Begging to have me home
So I try to send you signs so you know you're not alone
Don't feel guilty that you have life that was denied to me
Heaven is truly beautiful, just you wait and see
So live your life, laugh again, enjoy yourself, be free
Then I know with every breath you take,
You'll be taking one for me.*

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Services

Saturday, April 16, 2022 - 1:00 p.m.

Temple & Sons Funeral Directors, Inc.

Earl M. Temple Memorial Chapel

2801 North Kelley Avenue

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dr. Don L. Sanford, Pastor - Officiating

Greater Saint James Church

Alton, Illinois



Acknowledgement

*Because you care, you came to share beautiful flowers,
and words of prayer. Because you care, we're grateful
indeed, you've been a comfort and a friend indeed. On
behalf of the family, we sincerely thank you all very much.*

Pallbearers

Richard A. Welch, II

Korey A. Welch

Jay K. Sauls, Jr.

Eric J. Welch

Justin K. Sauls

Hunter Frantz

Heath Frantz

Flower Bearers

London Storandt

Sharon Hambric

Jamarri K. Sauls

Special thanks to Ray and April of Traditions Home Health and Hospice Care.

Interment

Monday, April 18, 2022 - 10:00 a.m.

Resurrection Memorial Cemetery

7801 N.W. Expressway

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73132

Repast

Following the Service

Home of Mrs. Tiny Stallings

7016 N.W. 128th Terrace

Oklahoma City, OK 73142

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