



Dave Marshall Jr

November 11, 1918 - October 5, 2015

Honest, hardworking, team player, organized, dependable, consummate teaser.

Dave was born on November 11, 1918 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana to David Marshall and Daphney Johnson. During his early years he lived with his Grandmother Amanda, while his mother was working in New Orleans. He attended Perkins Elementary School before going to Gaudet Normal Industrial School, New Orleans and McKinley High School in Baton Rouge. He played some Semi-Pro Football as an end and was a team mate of Eddie Robinson who later became the coach at Grambling University and the winningest coach in NCAA history. He met his wife Decie Lemora Marshall (now deceased) at a church picnic and they married in June 1938 in Baton Rouge. He worked as a porter and a short order cook before entering the Army Air Corps in 1942 as a Hospital Corpsman stationed primarily in Salt Lake City Utah until his discharge in 1946, when they moved to the San Francisco Bay Area to be with his wife's sister, Frances. After being childless for 10 years they were blessed to have 3 children, David, Daphne and Demetri Marshall. During this period Dave loved to play tennis. The family moved to their permanent home on Bataan Avenue in Berkeley in 1955. Dave worked at a paint factory until he hurt his back at which time he got a job as a Railroad Traffic Clerk at Naval Supply Center Oakland where he worked for 33 years on the graveyard shift to earn differential pay for the family before retiring. After retirement he went back to college and received his BA Degree in

Human Development with an emphasis in Gerontology. He was always deeply involved in school, neighborhood, church and city organizations throughout his lifetime as evidenced by the long list of organizations he has worked in and boards on which he has served. His last loves of labor were as a Yoga and Physical Fitness Instructor for seniors while he was in his 80's, Disc Jockey for the church and other events and organizations, and working with the St Columba Catholic Church Health Cabinet and the St Vincent DePaul Society. Dave's favorite hobbies included a love for swimming as well as listening to and playing all genres of music from jazz to pop, bebop, funk, Blues, R&B, classical, opera, musicals and last but not least Zydeco and he and his wife loved to dance; he also loved to cook and to eat, especially desserts. He loved history, arts, poetry and museums.

YMCA South, Central and West Berkeley Chapters Instructor and Board member; Auxiliary Community Public Chairman Oakland Youth Chamber Orchestra; Friends of the Berkeley Public Library; West Berkeley Health Center; Berkeley Comprehensive Planning Advisory Committee; Intergroup Education Project (Berkeley Unified School District); Personnel Commission, Classified (Berkeley Unified School District);, Knights of Columbus, Berkeley/Albany Council, Institutional Representative; St Ambrose Sea Scouts; West Berkeley Neighborhood Assoc; NAACP, Berkeley Waterfront Commission; Instructor: Physical Fitness for the Elderly Independence; Eucharistic Minister, St Columba Church Oakland.

Cemetery Details

Sacramento Valley National Cemetery

5810 Midway Road
Dixon, CA 95620

Tribute Wall

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“ *IN MEMORY OF DAVE MARSHAL JR R.I.P.*



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“ *My deepest condolences to the family . I will truly miss my cousin Dave . I enjoyed are phone conversations . We both loved talking about our family history . Rip cousin I will miss you dearly . Your cousin Sharonne*



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