



## Lafayette McFadden

December 19, 1917 - January 28, 2013

Lafayette McFadden born to Anderson and Susie McFadden on December 19, 1917 in Washington, Arkansas. He was the seventh born of ten children, five boys and five girls. Lafayette received his education from Lincoln High School in Washington, Arkansas. He attended welding school in the early 1940's from Kaiser Welders School in Pine Bluff, Arkansas and was the only black student in his class. He loved working with steel, wire, and metals and graduated with honors.

In 1938, Lafayette was joined in holy matrimony to Mary Louise Phillips, the love of his life, who preceded in death. To this union five children were born, two of which (Sharon Brown and Oliver McFadden, Sr.) preceded him in death.

In 1943, the family moved to Berkeley, California and shortly thereafter he joined McGee Avenue Baptist Church and become a faithful, active and dedicated member of the usher board until his health started to fail. Lafayette worked as a welder at the Alameda National Air Station from the early 1940s until retirement in 1980. Lafayette had many hobbies which he enjoyed, namely making steel arts, fishing, going on short trips, upholstery and helping friends, relative and acquaintances with repairs at their homes.

On January 28, 2013, Lafayette labor on this earth was done. He departed

this life at Elmwood Convalescent Hospital in Berkeley, California.

# Cemetery Details

## Rolling Hills Memorial Park

4100 Hilltop Drive  
Richmond, CA 94803

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 5. 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM (PT)

Harris Funeral Home Legacy Center  
1331 San Pablo Ave.  
Berkeley, CA 94702  
(510) 525-1331  
<http://www.harrisfuneralhomelegacycenter.com>

## Service

FEB 6. 11:00 AM (PT)

McGee Avenue Baptist Church  
1640 Stuart Avenue  
Berkeley, CA

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