

*A Final Tribute of
Love To*



Alphonse Mitchell

November 28, 1934 – September 22, 2020

Thursday, October 1, 2020



Lawson Funeral & Cremation Services
4535 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, Fl 33713

Officiating Pastor Curtis Crider

Life Reflections

Alphonso Mitchell was born in St. Petersburg, Florida on November 28, 1934 to Mary Lee Mitchell and Daniel B. Mitchell. The middle child, Alphonso, commonly known as "Mitch," was a young musician playing several instruments including the piano and saxophone. His love for photography also started at a young age and later developed into a professional career.

After graduating from Oakwood College Academy in 1953, Alphonso matriculated through Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University and obtained a Bachelors of Pharmaceutical Science degree in 1958. A member of the Florida Pharmacy Association and National Pharmaceutical Society, Alphonso was the co-owner of the first black-owned pharmacy in St. Petersburg, FL, Doctor's Pharmacy. He retired from Walgreens Pharmacy following his tenure at AARP Pharmaceutical Services where, in addition to his obligations, he was a contributor to their circulating bulletin.

Outside of pharmacy, Alphonso was an accomplished photographer opening Mitchell's Photography, a wedding and portrait studio. He was a member of the Florida Photographers Association, Tampa Area Photographers Association and Pinellas Photography Association. He also found himself in front of the camera as a model for Murphy Robes, a pastoral and choir robe company. Alphonso served his community as a member of the Building Committee of the Melrose YMCA and was the first African-American to obtain full membership on the city's major board as the Vice Chairman of the Zoning Board of the City of St. Petersburg, FL.

Alphonso was a dedicated member of the Mt. Calvary Seventh-day Adventist Church in Tampa, FL. He served as an elder, Sabbath school teacher, and was the official church photographer. His ministry in videography and photography was not just used at the local church, as he also shared his talent with the Southeastern and Southern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventist churches. In his free time, Alphonso enjoyed other hobbies including fishing, golfing, reading, gardening, and traveling.

His greatest accomplishment was being a dedicated husband to his wife of 46 years Ozzie Mitchell, and devoted father to his three children. The special bond he shared with his family was one to cherish. The nightly routine of a soft kiss and 'I love you' is one that sustained the union between Ozzie and Alphonso. In the early morning of September 22, 2020, Alphonso fell a sleep in the Lord surrounded by his loving family.

He is survived by his wife Ozzie Mitchell, children Marlon D. Mitchell, Cindy L. Washington (Kenneth), and Lisa Page (Kihe). His legacy continues through his grandchildren Megan Mitchell, Kendrick Washington (Tirzah), Zeek Page, Josh Page, Kyrsha Page, and Khorri Page; and great grandchild Atum Alexander (Sean). He is fondly remembered by his sister Jacqueline Y. Powell, nieces and nephews Andrea Cheney (Charlie), Peyton N. Powell, Mark Powell, Terrance Powell, Ryan Powell; his in-laws Rosie Perdue, Cora Mury (Tim), Glenda Waters, Angell Graves, Ben Graves, Freemon Graves (Mae), Richard Graves,

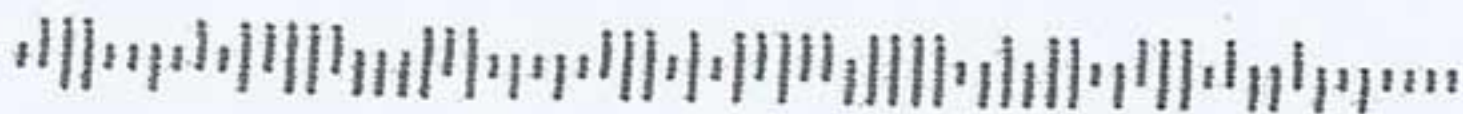
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c/o Mr. Robert Thomas, Past President
10548 Coral Key Avenue
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Dear Alumni Members,

Thank you so very much for
your calls, love, support, prayers
and for the lovely plant sent during
the recent, sudden passing of Mitch.
Mr. Thomas, thanks for your kind
words spoken at the service. Again,
many thanks. Your kindness shall
never be forgotten. Please keep us
in your prayers.

Love,
Ozzie Mitchell