



## Samuel Roland Joyce

November 21, 1929 - May 29, 2013

Samuel (Sam) Roland Joyce was born on November 21, 1929 in Baltimore, Maryland to the union of Naomi Johnson Hopewell and Roland Joyce. He departed this life on May 29, 2013 at the Southern Maryland Hospital Center after a brief illness. Sam received his primary education in the Baltimore public school system and continued to receive his college education at Virginia State University. From his union with JoAnne Peters (King) he was blessed with the two sons, Duan C. Joyce (deceased) and Darryl W. Joyce (Barbara). From his union with B. Brenda Joyce, he was blessed with three stepchildren, Nathaniel R. Williams (deceased), Cynthia Bonita Williams, and Babette D. Williams. Sam worked as an employment placement specialist for the Department of Human Services, D.C. Rehabilitation Services Administration until his retirement. He was an enthusiastic sports fan and held season tickets for Washington Redskin football games throughout his life. Sam was also a proud member of the Virginia State University Alumni Association and a Life Member of the Virginia State University Athletic Boosters Club. His 60th class reunion was scheduled for this year. Additionally, Sam was a member and officer of Bowl America where he won numerous awards and trophies. Sam is survived by his sister Frances Johnson Williams, son Darryl W. Joyce and his wife Barbara, step-daughters Cynthia Bonita Williams and Babette D. Williams, nieces Phyllis Sharps (Milton Purcell), Fran Barron (Henry), Thelma Dillard (Kenneth), nephew Clinton E. Fells (Penny Ellamar), grandchildren Shawna Williams, Natalie

Williams, Jennifer A Joyce, Omar Barnes, Donita Joyner, Donnie Joyner Jr. numerous great grandchildren, great nieces and nephews, and other family and friends. Also mourning his passing are his lifelong friends, George Hampton who was like a brother for over 60 years and his wife JoAnne, Eddie Britt and his wife Ruth, Ulysses Braxton and his caretakers Michael Belton and Frances Smalls. Sam was preceded in death by Naomi Esther Hopewell, Roland Joyce, George Henry Hopewell, and Stanley Williams.

# Tribute Wall

DP

“ *White Sympathy Pedestal Arrangement was sent by Diana and David Pugh. With our deepest sympathy and Love*

*Diana and David Pugh*

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**Diana Pugh** - January 23 at 02:48 PM

MH

“ *To the Family:  
You have my deepest sympathy. You are in my prayers and heartfelt thoughts.*

*Love, Margaret Hampton*

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**Margaret Hampton** - January 23 at 02:48 PM

VT

“ *We the Trader & Hampton family would like stress our deepest sympathy to the family with heartfelt prayers. Sam was a best friend to George Hampton over 50 years and Godfather to his son Nickolas Hampton we called him Uncle Joyce. He will be greatly missed.*

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**Vanessa Trader** - January 23 at 02:48 PM

PS

“ *SWEET AND WARM REMEMBRANCEÂ PEDESTAL ARRANGEMENT was sent by Frances Williams, Phyllis Sharps, Fran Barron .My beloved Brother, our beloved Uncle, we will miss you.*

*Rest in Peace,  
Lovingly,  
Frances, Phyllis and Fran*

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**Phyllis Sharps** - January 23 at 02:48 PM

PS

“ *DISH GARDEN WITH FRESH FLOWERS* was sent by Priscilla Schwab and Martha Scully. You are in our prayers, Babette, as is your family. deepest sympathy to you all.

*Priscilla and Martha*

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**Priscilla Schwab** - January 23 at 02:48 PM

RM

“ We hereby express our heartfelt condolences to the family on the passing of your beloved Sam. Sam and I (Bob) were members of the Washington, DC Chapter, Virginia State University (VSU) Alumni Association. Through this connection, we became very good friends. Sam was an ardent supporter of the Chapter, as well as other activities to assist his beloved VSU. We are confident that your faith and cherished memories of Sam will enable you to persevere during this difficult period.

*Robert & LaVerne Mills, Fort Washington, MD.*

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**Robert & LaVerne Mills** - January 23 at 02:48 PM

SB

“ *Babette, my prayers are with you and your family.*

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**Shirlen Brooks** - January 23 at 02:48 PM