

THE FLORIDA CONFERENCE LAY ORGANIZATION
Eleventh Episcopal District
African Methodist Episcopal Church
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Memorial Service
(Liturgy written by Bishop Adam J. Richardson, Jr. 115)

April 23, 2022

Sister Jennifer Lewis, Presiding

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Like pilgrims, we travel from time into eternity seeking the heavenly city which our Heavenly Father has promised to those who are faithful. Since last we met, by God's own will and purpose, God has called from among us co-laborers and loved ones who sojourned with us in our families, in the lay ministry, and in the life and witness of the Church. We believe they were called to a new and larger life. They have gone for a nobler and better clime.

Song of Hope (Hymn # 249 AMECH)

President Donald Russell

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto Me and rest; lay down, thou weary one, lay down Thy head upon My breast." I came to Jesus as I was, weary, worn and sad; I found in Him a resting place, and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's Light. Look unto Me; thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright." I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my Star, my Sun; and in that light of life, I'll walk till traveling days are done.

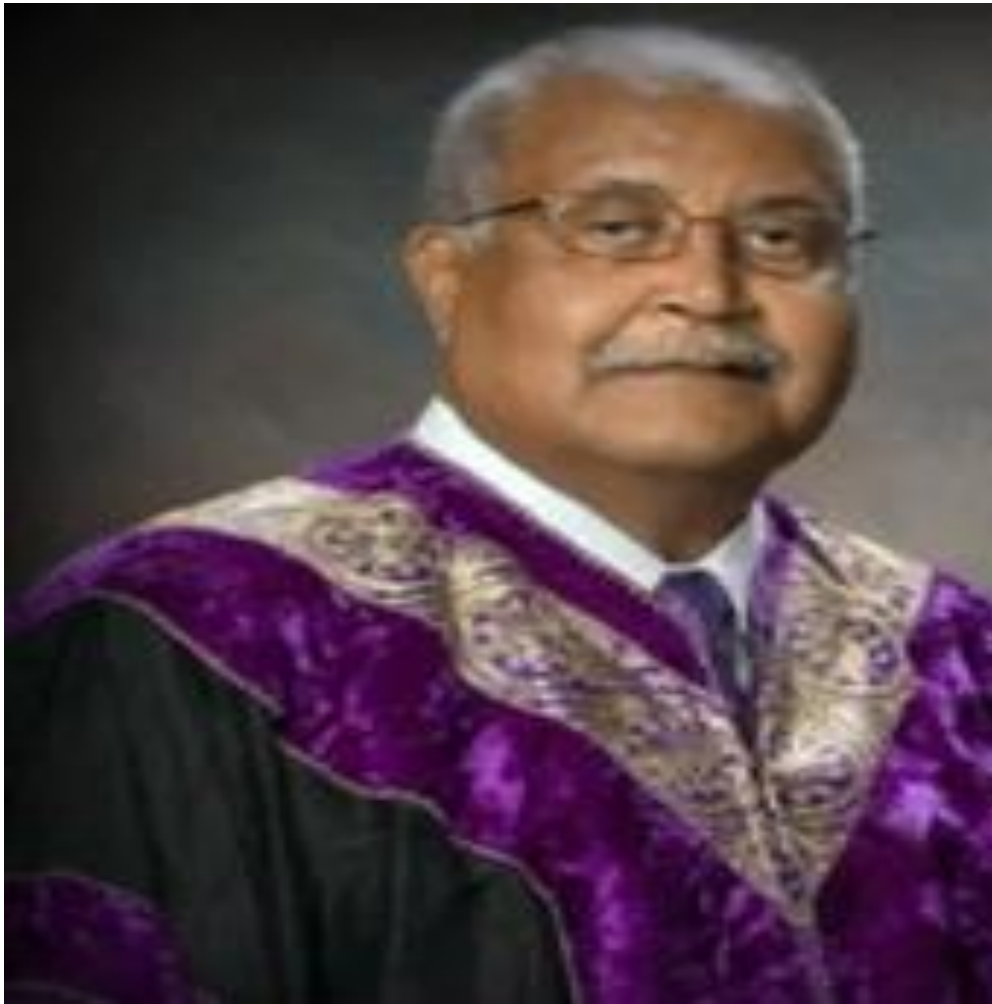
The Prayer

Chaplain Barbara Patterson

Holy God, Gracious and Eternal, we honor and adore You as Lord, Sovereign and Mighty. We are grateful for the time You have permitted us to spend with loved ones, friends and colleagues. We are grateful and glad for the lessons we learned, for the memories shared and the encouragement received. By Your mercy, we are also thankful for the blessed hope of immortality through Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ.

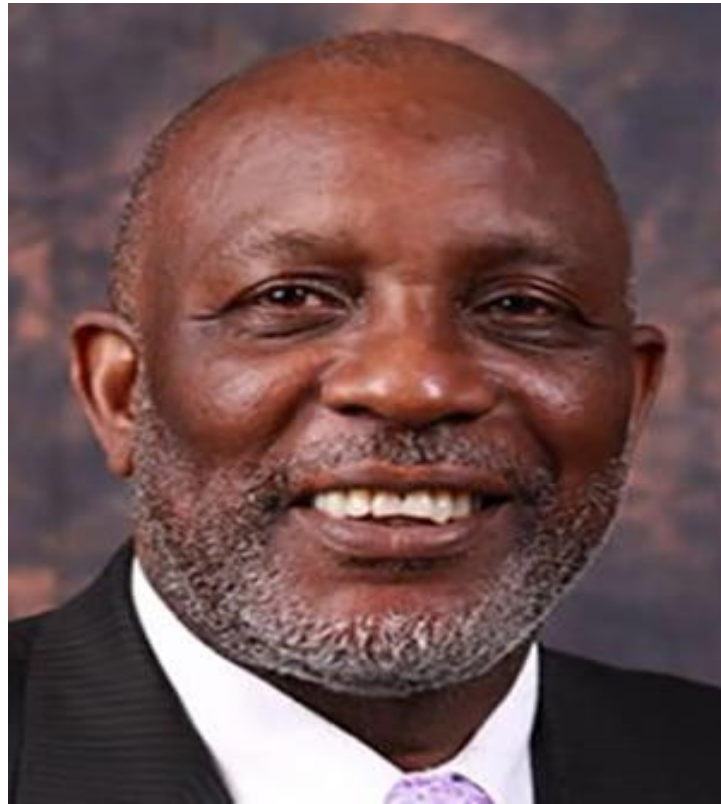
President Donald L. Russell:

Brothers and Sisters, these are they who have run the race and finished their course. We thank the Lord for their labor and faithful witness. Yes, we sorrow not for them as those who have no hope.



"Bishop" William Phillips DeVaux Sr.

Washington, District of Columbia
August 3, 1941 - December 31, 2021



Supervisor Stan McKenzie
July 21, 2021



Retired Supervisor Lucinda Crawford Belin

September 24, 2021



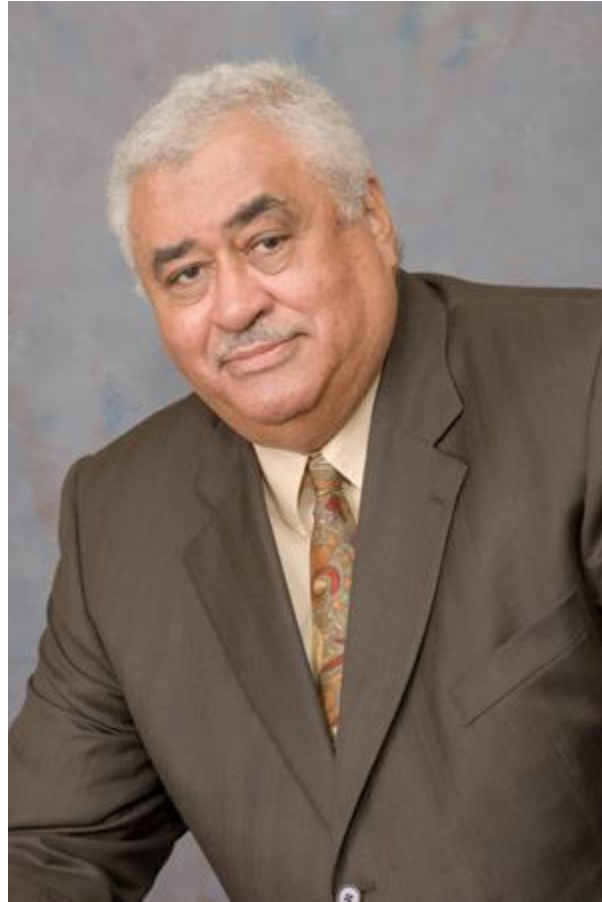
Jayme Coleman Williams, PH.D.

January 19, 2022



Walter L. Smith, Sr., PH.D.

November 25, 2021



Frederick S. Humphries, Sr., PH.D.

June 24, 2021



Coach Bobby Lang
January 6, 2022



The Reverend Shirley Jean Brooks
May 2, 1939 - January 21, 2022

Members: Pensacola-Panama City District: Brother Joseph Johnson, President



Connie Aniece Hines

August 19, 1957-January 9, 2022



Ida Bell Tinsley Valentine

April 11, 1920-November 26, 2021

Members: Quincy-Monticello District: Sister Sharolyn Wood, President



Charlotte Mills Price
12/28/29-1/12/22



Willie Mae Long-Cobb

March 17, 2022



Mildred Caldwell



Arthur Jones

Members: Marianna District: Sister Patricia McCallister, President



Joyce Richardson
January 3, 1937-August 8, 2021



Mary Reed

December 9, 1949-November 25, 2021

Members: Tallahassee District: Sister Connie E. Jenkins-Pye, 1st Vice President



Mrs. Catherine Carol Hudson Wright
01/02/1946 - 07/25/2021



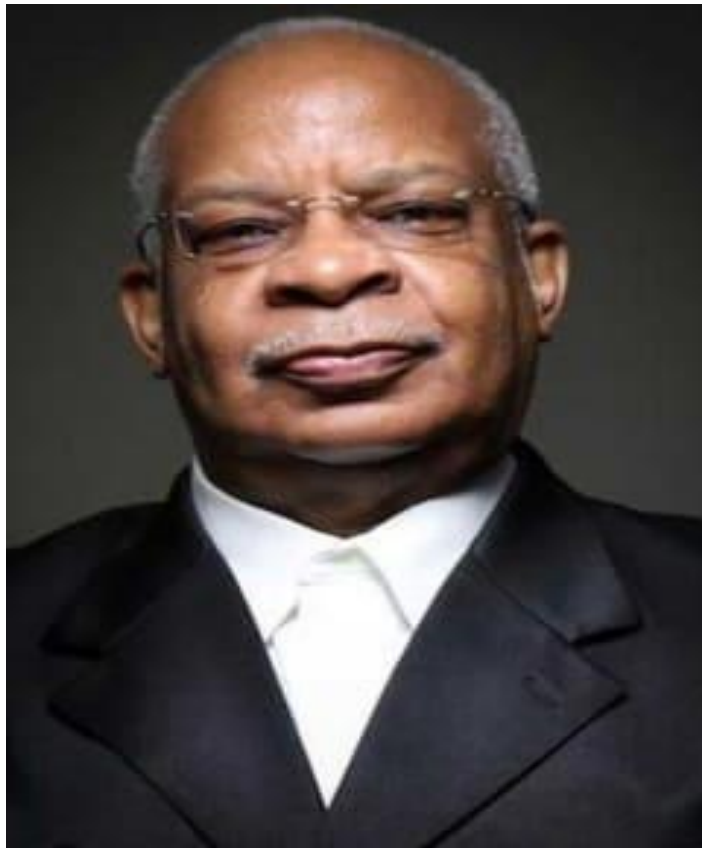
Mr. John Haugabrook
November 27, 2021



Mrs. Wanda Thompson Merrick
April 18, 1961 - November 6, 2021



Dr. Robert F. Flakes Jr.
December 28, 2021



Brother Idus Cicero Hartsfield
September 7, 2021

1st Vice President Carolyn Hill

O God, we thank and praise You for the life, love, and labor of our deceased colleagues, and loved ones. We thank You for the good they achieved, for the lives they touched, for the service they gave to perpetuate Your Church and to advance Your Kingdom enterprise. Yet, we stand in need of You. How vulnerable and fragile we are.

Strengthen us for the journey still before us. Prepare us for the heavenly reunion. We pray in the Name of Him who is victorious over death and the grave; In the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen

The Song of Triumph (Hymn # 511 AMECH) When we All get together

3rd Vice President Jennifer Lawson

Sing the wondrous love of Jesus, sing His mercy and His grace; In the mansions bright
and blessed He'll prepare for us a place.

Refrain: When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be! When we all see
Jesus, we'll sing and shout the victory.

Onward to the prize before us! Soon His beauty we'll behold; soon the pearly gates
will open, we shall tread the streets of gold.

The Lay Benediction

2nd Vice President Robert Jackson

May God Bless us with the true spirit of Christianity, that we may live together, not as man over man, but as lay persons working with God. AMEN