



Mr. Joseph Earl Stokes

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Joseph Earl Stokes lived a life marked by love, service, and faith. Born on February 25, 1945, in Houston, Texas, to Jack and Nora Stokes, he embodied the spirit of a true Texan and Californian. His journey took him from the football fields of John Muir High School in Los Angeles, CA, to the battlefields of the Vietnam War, where he served his country with dedication and earned accolades including the Vietnam Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Medal, and Rifle Expert Badge during his four-year tenure as a Sergeant in the United States Marine Corps.

Love found Joseph in the form of his high school sweetheart, Yvonne D. McCauley, whom he married on September 22, 1968. Together, they shared the joys and challenges of life, welcoming two daughters, Joanna Stokes Walker, and Scherryl Stokes Jackson, into their loving home.

After returning from the war, Joseph's journey led him back to California, where his family grew with the birth of Scherryl. Later, destiny called him back to Houston, where he embarked on a new chapter of life. His professional path led him to the Harris County Health Department, specializing in Mosquito Control as an Avian Field Supervisor, where he shared his joyful personality and dedication to service. During his career as an Avian supervisor his department focused on detecting outbreaks and protecting the citizens of Houston from the West Nile Virus. He received certificates of appreciation from the Texas House of Representatives as well as the City of Houston for his service to the community. After years of hard work, he retired and devoted his time to the things he loved most—family, friends, gardening, and bird watching.

Joseph's unwavering faith in God sustained him through the challenges of life, and he remained resilient in the face of health struggles, always trusting in a higher power. His legacy lives on through the love and memories cherished by his wife,



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Yvonne, daughters Joanna and Scherryl, son-in-laws Ernest and Kevin, sister Jacqueline, grandchildren Taylor, Julian, and Gabrielle, his Uncle Earl Livingston, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Joseph Earl Stokes departed this earthly life on November 11, 2023, leaving behind a legacy of love, service, and faith. He is reunited in eternal rest with his parents, Jack and Nora Stokes, and three brothers, Jack “Pinto” Stokes, Charles Stokes, and Whitney Stokes. As we mourn his physical absence, let us celebrate a life well-lived and honor the memory of a man who touched the hearts of many.



Events

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Visitation

- Tuesday**, November 21, 2023
- 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CT
- Mabrie Memorial Mortuary**
5000 Almeda Road, Houston TX 77004



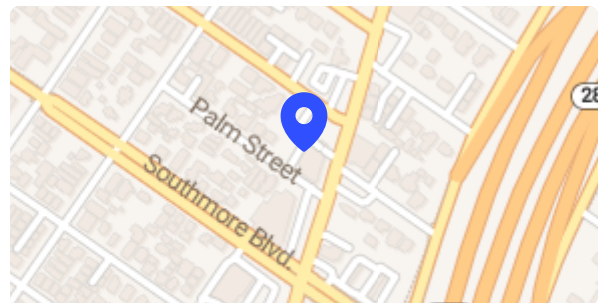
Celebration of Life Service

- Tuesday**, November 21, 2023
- 11:00 AM CT
- Mabrie Memorial Mortuary**
5000 Almeda Road, Houston TX 77004



Fellowship & Reception

- Tuesday**, November 21, 2023
- 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM CT
- Mabrie Memorial Mortuary**
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Final Salute & Military Honors

- Tuesday**, November 21, 2023
- 2:30 PM CT
- Houston National Cemetery**
10410 Veterans Memorial Dr, Houston TX 77038



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Cemetery Details



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JB

Janet Billafuerte posted:

Mr. Joe how greatly you will be missed. Yvonne and Family, we send our deepest sympathy to you. We thank you for being the BEST Neighbor anyone could ever have....and for always keeping an eye out on things... And thank you for the memories.... May God Bless you all with his love and kindness and comfort you.Jorge, Janet, Emily & George

November 21 at 10:03 AM

WS

William "Chilly Bill" Smith posted:

To the Stokes, Walker Family. My wife and I send our deepest condolences to you and your family. Ms Joanna just know that your father is serving in God army at the highest honors. Peace and Blessings to the family.

November 21 at 5:08 AM

SJ

Sylvester & Kimberly James posted:

From Sylvester & Kimberly James:We are going to miss you, Mr. Joe. You have been a great neighbor to us and we truly appreciate everything about you and your character. Thank you for always being very kind to our family. We pray for God's comfort and peace over your wife and family. Rest in peace and power. We will see you again. God Bless. ❤️ Love Always, The James Family

November 21 at 3:34 AM

JR

Joi Rideout lit a candle in honor of Joseph.

To the Stokes family, you have our deepest condolences. May God give you strength and your fond memories of your loved one light your way.With love, from The Huckaby and Rideout families.



November 20 at 6:46 PM

CG

Camilla Marshall Gilbert posted:

To the family of my classmate, Joseph Stokes, I extend my deepest sympathies for your loss! Joseph was such a kind and caring person, with a smile that lit up a room! Praying for your strength in your loss. Camilla Marshall Gilbert - Class of 1963 🙏

November 20 at 5:44 PM



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Anonymous sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Stokes family.



November 20 at 1:09 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Stokes family.



November 20 at 9:40 AM



Linda W. Brown posted:

To my dear sister and friend Scherryl, you and your entire family are in our prayers. May the peace of God continue to be upon you in the days and years ahead. We love you. Linda, Tony, Jamie, and Nick.

November 20 at 8:24 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Stokes family.



November 19 at 6:20 PM



Herbert Kelly posted:

Words, no matter how kind, can't mend your heartache. However, those who care for you comfort and peace of mind. Herbert Linda Kelly

November 19 at 5:48 PM



Sylvester & Kimberly James November 21 at 3:27 AM

We are going to miss you, Mr. Joe. You have been a great neighbor to us and we truly appreciate everything about you and your character. Thank you for always being very kind to our family. We pray for God's comfort and peace over your wife and family. Rest in peace and power. We will see you again. God Bless. ❤️ Love Always, The James Family



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Anonymous sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Stokes family.



November 19 at 10:06 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Stokes family.



November 19 at 7:15 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Stokes family.



November 19 at 4:54 AM



Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Stokes family.



November 17 at 4:47 AM



PC

Porsche Campble lit a candle in honor of Joseph.

Dad! You will be truly missed. You were always kind, loving, and caring. I will definitely miss cooking for you. Love, Porsche L. Campble



November 14 at 4:14 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Joseph by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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