

Rev. Dr. James Buchanan Boyer

April 3, 1934 - May 10, 2017

The Rev. Dr. James Buchanan Boyer, 83, formally of Winter Park, Florida, passed away May 10, 2017.

He was a teacher and administrator in Orange County Schools from 1957-1969. He held a B.A. degree from Bethune Cookman University, a M.S. degree from Florida A&M University and the Ph.D. from The Ohio State University.

At age 12, he began singing gospel music with his younger brother, Horace, and became the duo known as the Famous Boyer Brothers that performed throughout Florida and the Southeast. About three years later, the duo recorded its first gospel single, Step By Step.

For four decades he served as Professor of Education at the University of Houston and at Kansas State University, Manhattan.

The Rev. Dr. Boyer was the Founding Pastor for more than 40 years at Fellowship Temple Church of God in Christ, a part of the Kansas East Jurisdiction of the International Churches of God in Christ.

James is preceded in death by his parents, Climmie and Ethel Boyer; a sister, Pinkie Boyer Crews; and four brothers: Climmie L. Boyer Jr., Dr. Horace C. Boyer, Dr. Joe Louis Boyer and Timothy J. Boyer. He leaves to cherish his memories a devoted wife and partner in life, love and the church, Edna Medlock Boyer; a son, Alan Wayne, and his wife Myra (her daughter, Lauren); one granddaughter, Alexandria, and one great-granddaughter, Aniyah, all of Atlanta, GA; two sisters, Dr. Minnie Boyer Woodruff, Orlando, FL, and Dr.

Edythe Boyer Jones, Orangeburg, SC; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and sisters-in-law.

Lawrence A. Jones Funeral Home, 1900 E. Linwood Blvd., Kansas City, MO 66101. Visitation is Thursday, May 18, 2017 at Fellowship Temple Church of God in Christ, Manhattan, Kansas. Funeral Services will be held Friday, May 19 at 11am at First United Methodist Church in Manhattan, Kansas. Interment will follow in the Kansas Veterans' Cemetery at Fort Riley.

Tribute Wall




“ *Rev. Dr. James Buchanan Boyer*

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“ *Wishing you strength and comfort today and in the days ahead as you mourn the loss of Dr. Boyer. He meant so much to me and other students at Phyllis Wheatley H. S. in Apopka, Fl. There are so many reasons I am grateful for his guidance. Today, as I reflect on his teachings (business) that have served me well and his influence in my career decisions, I am thankful for him. With Deepest Sympathy, "Mr. Boyer" have a safe journey.*



*Shirley R. Baker, Class of 1961
Albany, New York*

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“ There are so many things I could share about Pastor Boyer and the lessons learned from attending Fellowship Temple for 17 years. What I remember the most is how welcoming and encouraging he was. He truly empowered people to do their best even when they thought they couldn't. So many times he asked me to do something I didn't want to do, but it was all for my own personal growth. I'm thankful to have had that type of leadership. I don't know that anyone felt like a stranger after leaving Fellowship Temple. All of the things he instilled has made it hard for me to find a duplicate in a church home here in Ohio, I find myself comparing everything to him. While I know he can't be duplicated, I want a pastor that comes close.

Many prayers and blessings to Mother Boyer and the family. I love you all.

~LaToya Farris

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