

*Perhaps you sent a lovely card,
Or sat quietly in a chair
Perhaps you sent a floral piece,
If so, we saw it there.*

*Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,
As any friend could say.
Perhaps you were not there at all,
just the thought of us that day.*

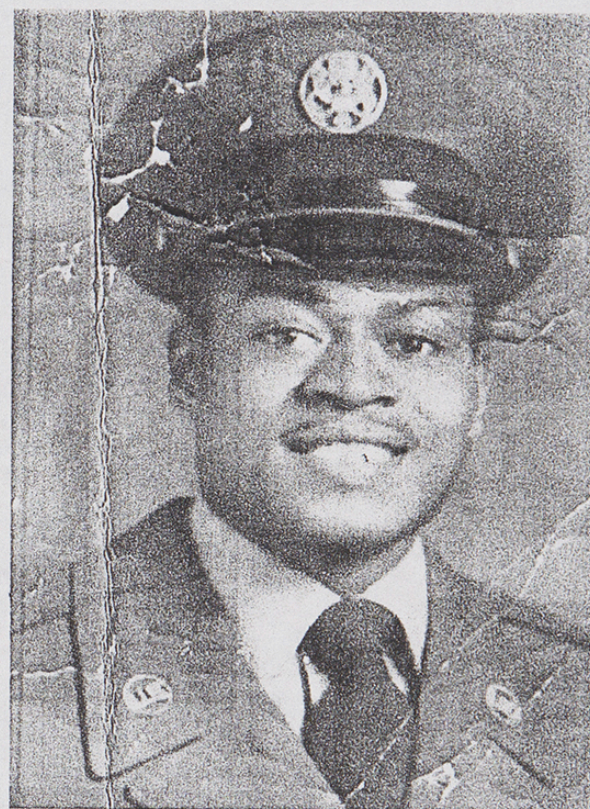
*Whatever you did to console our hearts,
We thank you so much whatever the part*

- The Family -



John M. Carter III

December 6, 1932 - March 25, 2002



Services Held :

*Monday April 1, 2002 Ruker's Mortuary
12460 Van Nuys Blvd. Pacoima, Ca 91331
Interment - Riverside National Veteran
Cemetery*



Johnny June Harold

Johnny's daughter June



w/ my daughter Lori



*with first grandchild
Sixteen (16)*



w/ Mom

Order of Service

Song : #222 Keep Your Eyes on the Prize

Obituary- Julius Walker

Words of comfort : Julius walker

SONG : Kingdom Melody #15 Life Without End

Parting View

Receiving Guest at 14200 Foothill Unit 32

Sylmar Ca, 91342

Pallbearers

John Carter, Terry Carter, Steven Carter, Andre Carter,
Johnny Carter, Tony Stricklin

Honorary Pallbearers

Woodrow Wilson SR, Herbert Bethel, Leroy Stricklin,

Woodrow Wilson jr, Roland Ray Ross, Octavis Stamps.

JOHN MITCHEL CARTER III was born December 6, 1932, in Jersey City, New Jersey, to John Mitchell Carter II (who preceded him in death) and Essie Mae (Johnson) Carter. During his childhood he was raised in a Christian home, and in later years studied with Jehovah's Witnesses.

John was educated in the Jersey City School System where he persued and participated in sports activities primarily football, baseball, basketball. In his senior year John was mesmerized by the distinguished appearance of the National Guard's uniform worn by students. John was also impressed by the camaraderie of the fellow students and decided to enroll in the class of the National Guards, not knowing that it would become a permanent fixture of his attire, for his entire career. John graduated from Snyder High School in June 1949.

Without his mothers (Essie) knowledge, he enlisted in the United States Air Force (with his fathers assistance) in December of 1951. He went to Basic Boot Camp at Sampson Air Force Base, up state New York for twelve weeks, and then was stationed at Amarillo Air Force Base, Amarillo, Texas, where he met his future wife Frances Vernell Wilson at age 15 ½ years young in 1952.

John was joined in holy matrimony to the love of his life Frances Vernell Wilson on July 18, 1954. To this union was born six children, four sons and two daughters; John Mitchell Carter of San Bernardino, California, Stephen Wayne Carter of Duluth, Georgia, Andre Scott Carter of Duluth, Georgia, Terry Carter of North Hollywood, California, Anita Carter and June Michelle both of Sylmar, California.

John M Carter III served in combat for his country in two wars, the Korean War (1952-1953) and the Vietnam War (1968). For his noble, outstanding and heroic work while under fire of the Viet Cong of Hochi Ming, in Cambodia, North Vietnam, John M Carter III and his mechanic crew managed to repair an American military combat airplane that was ground in the jungles of Cambodia. He was awarded the Medal of Honor for dedication and mission impossible.

Other places that John M Carter was stationed were Ardmore Air Force Base, Oklahoma, Andrews Air Force Base, Washington, D. C., Sembach, Air Force Base, Sembach, Germany, Dover, Air Force Base, Dover, Delaware, Camaron Bay Air Force Base, Camaron Bay, Vietnam, and March Air Force Base, Riverside, California where he retired in 1972 with an Honorable Discharge. He was blessed to have his family join him on many of his assignments.

John had many hobbies and shared them with family and friends, he enjoyed football with all of his sons. He enjoyed boxing, singing, card

playing, fishing and swimming, cooking (mainly Steaks and Bar-B-Q). John also enjoyed fishing with his brother Harold Carter who preceded him in death.

Among his honors were: Medal of Honor, Honorable Discharge, Honors Guard of President John F. Kennedy's Inauguration parade, Honor Guard for the welcoming parade for Charles DeGould, and Honor Guard for the visit of Nikita Kurcheve, of the Russia, Soviet Union, U.S.S.R., he reached the rank of Staff Sergeant John M. Carter III.

After John Carter III retired from The United States Air Force, he began a Second Career at Lockheed, in Burbank, California and worked there for more than fifteen years, as a sheet metal foreman, repairing commercial and military airplanes.

Among certificates received were: Hotel Restaurant Management, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration, Sheet and Metal, Repairing Commercial and Military Air Planes

Among his many travel destinations were: North Africa, Thailand, Bit burg Germany, Frankfurt, Germany and Tokyo, Japan.

John Mitchell Carter III leaves to cherish his memories his devoted and dedicated wife of forty-six years, Frances V. Carter of Sylmar, California, eight children, five sons and three daughters, John M. Carter IV (Frances) of San Bernardino, California; Stephen W. Carter (Yasmin) of Duluth, Georgia; Andre S. Carter of Duluth, Georgia; Terry Carter (Brenda) of North Hollywood, California; Anita Carter and June Michelle Carter both of Sylmar, California. John Carter Jr. and Juanita Carter both of California. His beloved mother Essie Mae Carter of Palm Coast, Florida, one sister June Bethel (Herbert) of Palm Cost Florida, Aunts, Luella and Esther Carter, one devoted brother-in-law Woodrow Wilson (Isedora) of Santa Monica, California, three sister-in-laws Frankie M. Hodge of Bastrop, Texas, LaVerne Ross of Santa Monica, California and Sara Carter of Alexandria, Virginia. Nephews, Tony Stricklin, ~~Mark~~ Stricklin, Leroy Stricklin, Woodrow Wilson Jr., Roland Ross, Kenneth E. Smith, Sephre Hodge, Charles Hodge Jr., Nieces, Lori (Stricklin), Lisa Carter, Brenda K. White, Rosalyn L. Ross, four grandchildren, Simeon Carter, Brittnay Carter, Omar Kareem Carter, and Jonathan Mitchell Carter.

A. Gary