



## Mr. Carroll F. Walker, Jr.

March 17, 1935 - November 9, 2024

In Loving Memory to Celebrate the Life of Carroll F. Walker, Jr.

Carroll Frank Walker, Jr. was born on March 17, 1935, in Houston, Texas, to Carroll F. Walker, Sr., and Leola Agnes (DiVirges) Walker. Raised with his siblings, Jimmy Mitchell, and Beverly Jean, both of whom preceded him in death, Carroll spent his early years in Houston and Weirgate, Texas. While in Weirgate, he lived with his beloved grandmother, and attended church regularly, where he sang in the youth choir.

For high school, Carroll moved to St. Louis, Missouri, where he stayed with his grandfather and attended Vashon High School before returning to Houston and graduating in 1953, from Douglas High in El Paso, Texas. In El Paso, he helped his father manage the family's restaurant, developing the work ethic that would prepare him to be a pioneer and guide him through his life and career.

In 1953, Carroll enlisted in the United States Air Force, serving as a radar controller and interceptor tech, and achieved the rank of Staff Sergeant during his active duty from 1953 to 1957, followed by four years in the reserves. After his military service, Carroll moved to Kansas City, Missouri, to be near his brother and enrolled at Kansas City University (now UMKC). He then joined the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in 1958, dedicating 36 years to air

traffic control and other roles, including Military Liaison Specialist and Area Supervisor, before retiring in 1990. Carroll was one of the first five African American air traffic controllers in the United States.

In January 1960, Carroll met his future wife, Jacqueline Young, at a YWCA in Kansas City, where Jacqueline was attending a Delta Sigma Theta Sorority event. Carroll, who was coaching a basketball game, noticed her from across the gym, introduced himself, and began a lifetime of shared memories. They married in 1961, and were blessed with two children, Carole Anne (Don) Merriwether and Gregory Frank (Terri) Walker. Together, Carroll and Jacqueline enjoyed traveling and, in later years, frequently enjoyed visiting and supporting their grandchildren.

Carroll leaves behind his loving, devoted wife of 63 years, Jacqueline; his children, Carole Anne, and Gregory Frank; his cherished grandchildren: Evan Nicholas, and Justin Christopher Merriwether, Brandon Louis, and Dominic Jordan Walker; his sisters-in-law Shirley McGlothen, Mildred Young, and Ruth Young; and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends who will sincerely miss him.

A man of integrity, kindness, and devotion, Carroll created a legacy of love, family, and strength. His memory will be cherished, and his impact on those who knew him will endure.

May he rest in peace, forever loved and deeply missed.

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday November 23, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at Lawrence A. Jones & Sons Funeral Chapel 1800 East Linwood Blvd. KCMO 64109. Interment: Floral Hills Cemetery. Visitation: 9-11:00 a.m. at the Chapel. Arrangements entrusted to Lawrence A. Jones & Sons Funeral Chapels. Condolence may be shared on our website [lawrenceajones.com](http://lawrenceajones.com).



# Cemetery Details

## Floral Hills Cemetery

7000 Blue Ridge Blvd.  
Kansas City, MO 64133

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

NOV **23**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Lawrence A. Jones Funeral Homes & Cremation - Missouri  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ love, Randy & Sylvia Blue planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Carroll F. Walker, Jr..

love, Randy & Sylvia Blue - November 22, 2024 at 04:16 PM

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“ love, Randy & Sylvia Blue purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Carroll F. Walker, Jr..



love, Randy & Sylvia Blue - November 22, 2024 at 04:16 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Carroll F. Walker, Jr..



November 19, 2024 at 01:04 PM

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“ The Keith Brown family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Carroll F. Walker, Jr..



The Keith Brown family - November 18, 2024 at 01:58 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Carroll F. Walker, Jr..*



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November 18, 2024 at 01:21 PM



“ *Valarie and Wazir Mohamed purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mr. Carroll F. Walker, Jr..*



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**Valarie and Wazir Mohamed** - November 15, 2024 at 12:54 AM