



Arthur Morris Sauls

July 9, 1935 - December 25, 2023

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ARTHUR MORRIS SAULS was born in Greenville, Hunt County, Texas, on July 9, 1935, to Arthur “Pat” Sauls (father) and Lucille Christian Shaw (mother). Arthur is the second oldest of three brothers and one sister.

ARTHUR graduated from George Washington Carver High School in Greenville in 1953 and attended college at Prairie View A&M, where he majored in Architectural Engineering with a minor in mathematics.

Arthur was an active member of the Reserve Officer Training Career (ROTC) drill team that performed at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas, Texas (the first African American college drill team to perform at a Cotton bowl), Prairie View A&M and Wiley. In 1955, Arthur left Prairie View to serve in the United States Air Force and retired after serving 20 years. His military career took him to Portugal, Greenland, California, Oklahoma, Spain, and Texas.

IMMEDIATELY upon retiring from the Air Force, Arthur went to work for Mutual of Omaha Insurance

Company which, during this time, major insurance companies were not hiring African American, as they were considered not qualified. Arthur erased that perception and was honored the highest Leadership Award for ten

consecutive years for sells in the Southwest Division (Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana), and was also honored for President's Club and Chairman Council for selling the most insurance as a new agent.

IN 1980, Arthur opened his own office in Del Valle, Texas, across from Bergstrom Military Air Force Base until it's closure. He has actively held many offices in the community but not limited to: Head Foreman for the Supreme Court Jury, Treasurer of the board for the National Business League, (NBL), Voted "Man of the Year 1990," Secretary of Black Heritage Association (BHA), active member of Lyon's Jr. Lodge #290, Prince Hall Affiliated (PHA) over fifty years. During his tenure he was past Chairman of the Knights of Pythagoras Parents Club, Recorder for Cheops Temple #200, Shriners A.A.E.N.O.M.S, and became District Deputy Grand Master Emeritus District #24, for outstanding and loyal service. Arthur was the founder and President of the George Washington Carver Ambassadors, Inc., a scholarship existing in his honor.

ARTHUR is a member of Metropolitan African Methodist Episcopal Church (A.M.E.) He held many offices during his membership and was founder and editor of the Metropolitan A.M.E. monthly newsletter.

ARTHUR SAULS married Mary L. (William) Sauls on November 26, 1976, and, with this union, a blended family of six children was formed. He is preceded in death by his beloved wife, Mary L. Sauls; son, Wendell Sauls of Austin, TX; son, Timothy Sauls of Pasadena, CA; son, Alphonso (Mark) Sauls of Oklahoma City, OK; sister, Mildred (Leon) Brown of Dallas, TX; youngest brother, Don Sauls of Atlanta, GA; and both parents.

HE leaves to cherish precious memories: his, daughter, Wanda Reid of Pasadena, CA; son, Anthony Robinson of Austin, TX; daughter, Latrice (Dwight) Davis of Pflugerville, TX; and younger brother, Dr. James (Delores) Sauls of Colorado Springs, CO; seven grandsons; and a growing fleet of great-grands.

HIGHLIGHT: One of the outstanding highlight of Arthur's life was to play a role in a movie titled "The Wind and the Lion," with Sean Connery and Candice Bergen, while stationed in Spain.

ARTHUR went to be with the Lord on December 25, 2023. As we rejoice in his memories and mourn his transition, we know that "to be absent from the body, is to be present with the Lord." Arthur's famous quote: "What did I do yesterday to make my life better today?"

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Cemetery

3304 E12th & Airport Blvd
Austin, TX 78721

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JAN 3. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Metropolitan A.M.E. Church
1101 E 10th Street
Austin, TX 78702

Celebration Service

JAN 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DC

“ I had the good fortune of serving with Arthur while stationed at Lajes Field in the Azores. He was more than a roommate he became my big brother. We shared so many good times together I'm so sad that he has left us. May eternal light shine upon his soul forever. Your Air Force friend David 🙏🙏

David Calenzo - June 01, 2025 at 09:57 PM

DJ

“ I'm sorry to hear of Mr. Sauls' transition to be with our Lord and Savior. He was a true leader in the community that I admired. Although I knew him through the Carver Museum when I volunteered there I shall never forget his dedication and positive attitude. Rest in Eternal Peace and Power my friend.



Dock Jackson - January 16, 2024 at 08:02 PM

MW

“ To a wonderful classmate and play brother! You are missed already! Love Margaret Jackson Williams.
Class of 53
George Washington Carver
#TwintoCarlJackson ❤️

Margaret Jackson Williams - January 04, 2024 at 02:13 PM



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A Life Celebration by Franklin - January 04, 2024 at 11:03 AM



“ On behalf of the MEN OF LWF (Lunch With Friends),

In Loving Memory of Art, Sauls

Dear Friends,

It is with heavy hearts that we come together to remember and honor a cherished member of our Lunch With Friends (LWF) family – Art Sauls. Art was not just a participant in our monthly gatherings; he embodied wisdom, friendship, and the true spirit of embracing life without regrets.

Art's presence at our lunches was a source of inspiration and comfort. He had a unique way of connecting with each of us, offering guidance and support with a warm smile and an open heart. Whether you were a longtime friend or a newcomer to our group, Art ensured you felt welcomed and valued.

One of Art's most profound messages to us was to appreciate the small things in life and to savor every moment. He reminded us that life comprises these precious moments, and it's essential not to take them for granted. His words encouraged us to embrace the beauty in simplicity, to find joy in the every day, and to live life to the fullest.

Art's legacy extends beyond the walls of our gatherings. He touched our lives in ways that will continue to resonate with us. When we come together, linking arms in our chain of friendship, we will feel his presence among us, reminding us to carry forward his message of positivity and gratitude.

As we mourn the loss of our dear friend, let us also celebrate his incredible impact on our lives. Art Sauls will be greatly missed, but his memory will live on in the laughter, wisdom, and love he shared with us.

Rest in peace, Art, knowing you will forever remain a treasured part

*of our
Lunch With Friends and family.*

With love and fond memories,

Lunch With Friends Organization



Levi Murray III - January 02, 2024 at 10:56 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Arthur Morris Sauls.*



January 02, 2024 at 06:37 PM



“ *Mr. Sauls, thanks for being such a support, encourager, and friend. Definitely, a fixture at the Carver for decades. So many memories of your visits to the little museum, and then the new museum. You were a constant. You will live in our memories and in our hearts. Rest in peace.*

Faith Weaver - January 02, 2024 at 01:13 PM



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A Life Celebration by Franklin - January 02, 2024 at 12:42 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Arthur Morris Sauls.



January 01, 2024 at 04:28 PM



“ The Carver Museum Staff and Community planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Arthur Morris Sauls.

The Carver Museum Staff and Community - January 01, 2024 at 04:28 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Arthur Morris Sauls.



December 31, 2023 at 03:03 PM

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“ Cheops Temple 200 planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Arthur Morris Sauls.

Cheops Temple 200 - December 31, 2023 at 03:03 PM

PJ

“ Condolences to the family of Mr. Arthur Sauls. I remember this caring man at a young age, and he ALWAYS cared for the betterment of his community and his people. Now he can rest for his well done service of LOVE. Thank you again Mr. Sauls ❤️🙏



Pamela Johnson - December 31, 2023 at 02:13 PM

CQ

“ Cheryl Queen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Arthur Morris Sauls.

Cheryl Queen - December 30, 2023 at 03:22 PM



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December 30, 2023 at 03:22 PM

PA

“ I met Mr. Sauls in 1998. He was always moving, always doing, and a man trying to take care of business. Always. He made me laugh. He made me smile. Sometimes he made me mad. (smile) But I always loved him, no matter what. He used to drive me nuts, coming into the museum, walking fast, talking faster. But his heart was in the right place. It wasn't long before we settled into a very comfortable relationship, Turns out I was pretty close to his youngest son's age, so I looked to him as a trusted elder.

As he got older and slowed down, I remember him being more retrospective. He talked a lot about being a father and husband. He always gave good advice. Sometimes, he played the role of "community Dad", giving his thoughts on various topics that concerned me. There were times when he would tell me something about himself as a way of teaching. I never took those moments for granted. And now I really treasure them.

Mr. Sauls loved East Austin and his community. He was active in his lodge, (Lyons, Jr #290) his church (Metropolitan AME) and the George Washington Carver Museum & Cultural Center. There are some people who just play a role in our lives that we think of as normal. Mr. Sauls was certainly one of those people for me.

I saw him last in October. We were visiting another dear friend, and I was so glad to see him. It was on a Sunday, and he was all dapper, as usual. That was our last hug. A treasured memory.

I know he is with Ms. Mary now, and I'm glad for them both. I trust they are rejoicing together again and forever.

Para LaNell Agboga - December 28, 2023 at 01:55 PM

JF

“ Our deepest condolences to the Sauls family. Mr. Sauls have known our family a long time and always encourage us to do Great things. He was a Pillar to the East Austin Community he once worked and lived in. Rest in Paradise



Joan Scott & Simmons Family - December 27, 2023 at 04:11 PM

RS

“ God called one of his greatest leaders home, il canot think of no one who was a greater role model as Art wheather it was the servuce he rendered to his country by serving the United States Air Force, or the many other cumminity service organizations he was a part of, All my prays and thoughts are with his family



Roberta Simmons - December 26, 2023 at 07:21 PM

PJ

He DEFINITELY was a Great leader for our culture and community. 🙏❤️

Pamela Johnson - December 31, 2023 at 02:06 PM

CS

My grandpa, a tough, determined, and loving man! I'll never forget our conversations, either it being good or bad. He always wanted us to do great things and be the best man we could be. I wish I could have seen you in your last days, I hope you know I love and miss you, and please kiss & hug my dad for me.

I love you both.

*Sincerely, your grandson
Christopher Sauls*

Christopher Sauls - January 02, 2024 at 09:36 PM