



Frederick Douglas Mann

September 12, 1930 - March 26, 2025

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Freddie Douglas Mann was born September 12, 1930, in Weimer, Texas to Leonard and Icelevia Mann. In 1934, the family moved to the east side of Austin, Texas where they joined Olivet Baptist Church. Freddie attended AISD schools and graduated from Anderson High School in 1948. In his memoir, he spoke of enjoying playing stickball, shooting marbles and shining shoes as a young man.

Freddie furthered his education at Prairie View A&M College of Texas by playing the trumpet in the marching band and joining the JROTC. It was also at Prairie View where he met the love of his life, Bettie Ruth Meshack. He graduated in 1952 with a degree in Industrial Arts and joined the United State Army.

Freddie and Bettie married on August 24, 1952, at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church in Dallas, Texas. This union created three sons, Freddie Jr., Gregory and Raoul. In September 1952, Freddie began his military career in Ft. Benning, Georgia and performed tours in Germany and Japan. He also served in the National Guard and after 20 years retired from the US Army as a full Colonel. After returning to Austin, Freddie was an entrepreneur who owned a gas station, grocery store, and liquor store in East Austin. He was also an insurance broker and a construction manager of many properties. One of his many joys was becoming an MHMR residence partner with the State of Texas,

where he and Bettie provided home care for Jesus Gonzalez and Bennie Brush for many years. He believed in supporting black owned businesses. Freddie was a devoted member of Olivet Baptist Church where he served as chairman of Deacons as well as Sunday School Superintendent for many years. He also represented Olivet as a participant in the Old Landmark Association, Texas State Missionary Baptist Convention and the National Baptist Convention USA Inc.

Whenever, he wasn't working or traveling across the State of Texas or the country, he loved to play Sudoku puzzles, watch the political arenas of television, watching his beloved Dallas Cowboys and playing dominoes. He believed in family dinners every Sunday and cooked many of them until his health prevented him from performing.

Freddie was preceded in death by his parents (Icelevia and Leonard Mann, Sr.) Brother Leonard Mann, Jr., and his oldest son Freddie Mann, Jr. He leaves to cherish his memories his wife of 72 years, Bettie Meshack Mann, 2 sons, Gregory (Leslie), Raoul (Karen), 2 daughters, Diana McIntosh-Batts (Brian) and Tracy Y. Collins, and a sister-in-law, Minnie Mann. He also leaves a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, relatives and a host of friends who cherish his memories.

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Cemetery

3304 E12th & Airport Blvd
Austin, TX 78721

Previous Events

Public Visitation

APR 11. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Olivet Baptist Church
1179 San Bernard Street
Austin, TX 78702

Pre-Celebration Service

APR 11. 6:00 PM (CT)

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Celebration Service

APR 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Condolences to the Mann family. Classmate of grandson. May your life live on through you family and may your memory bring joy.*

Lbj classmate - April 09, 2025 at 09:57 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Frederick Douglas Mann.*

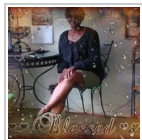


April 04, 2025 at 02:45 PM



“ *To the Mann Family my deepest condolences on your loss. You will truly be missed. God bless the family.*

Cassandra Scroggins - March 30, 2025 at 03:22 PM



“ *Rest now Deacon Mann.
It is certain, you will truly be missed.
It is with much sadness to see you go and to have to say goodbye.
Rest now my friend.*

Grace Reaves - March 29, 2025 at 09:21 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to the Mann Family. Mr Freddie Mann was always a great help with my mom insurance (deceased Ada Clark) and I Thank him for all his help. God Bless the Family.*

Georgia Clark Turner - March 29, 2025 at 08:50 AM