



Bert D. Whitehurst, Jr.

August 8, 1956 - June 20, 2019

No obituary found for this tribute.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

March Life Tribute Center, P.A. - Laurel
7601 Sandy Spring Road
Laurel, MD 20707
(301) 490-1550
info@marchfh.com
<https://www.marchlifetributecenter.com>

Service

JUL 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

March Life Tribute Center, P.A. - Laurel
7601 Sandy Spring Road
Laurel, MD 20707
(301) 490-1550
info@marchfh.com
<https://www.marchlifetributecenter.com>

Tribute Wall



“ Bert D. Whitehurst, Jr.

October 23, 2023 at 08:15 AM



“ Sorry to B dub passed in 2019 my name is Charles Whims we went to Morgan in 73-74 plus I ran into him at Ft Bragg around 76 good Brother he named me C dub my condolences to his family much LOVE to C DUB

Charles Whims - January 09, 2023 at 04:26 PM

“ Oh, this guy. That smile. That heart. That nobility, generosity, humor, loyalty, friendship, that brotherhood.

*Bert Whitehurst, Jr. and I first met fighting. Yes, when we were around 14 years old, Bert and I had an epic Harlem street fight that started over a rough touch football game. The fight began in front of 720 Lenox and ended almost on 7th Avenue. He was Joe Frazier and I was Ali. He was hitting me with body shots and I was going to the head. His face was puffy from my jabs and rights, but I didn't know those body shots would eventually take me down, and they did. Plus he could take a punch, for real. He could have hurt me real bad, but it was stopped and he didn't push it. Shortly after that Bert became a part of our crew because he liked that Al, Eric, Gus and I had a thing for meeting girls' and he wanted to be part of that. Bert was the only one of our crew that could go into my mother's kitchen. "Ms. Simon, what you cooking?" And, he'd fix himself a plate. Also, Bert loved football as did I. He went to the powerhouse HS DeWitt Clinton. I went to Julia Richman. He and I spent our high school summers working out preparing to play college football. He went to Morgan State and I set off first to Johnson C. Smith in Charlotte and eventually Cheyney State. We hung out during the summers in our early 20s, chasing girls and partying. Then he met the love of his life Debbie. He stayed in Maryland with her and began a family. We stayed in touch over the years, though there were times, too much time elapsed. He was uber supportive of my career. When I was in DC at Arena Stage or at the Kennedy Center he was right there. He bragged about me to all his friends. This is hard ya'll the tears are flowing, as I write, I sob. He told me he had cancer and was fighting it with all the bravado and optimism he lived with. He was getting homeopathic treatment and was in good spirits about beating the horrible cancer. He tried to come to see me in Atlanta last year when I was directing *The Bow Wow Club* but his schedule wouldn't allow it. Crazy thing is, he was on my mind so heavy about a month ago. I called more than once and got no answer. That was common. I knew he'd get back to me eventually. I was wrong. Last Saturday, here in NY I saw his brother who told me he passed about a month ago. Why, neither of his brothers thought to call me I'm still*

processing, but its neither here nor there. Bert was like a brother to me, one of my original crew members. I've often said in all honesty, and sincerity if I didn't have those guys growing up, I don't know where I'd be. Al, Bert, Gus and Eric. Each one in their won way helped me tremendously become who I am today. Bert always saw the glass half full. He never was down about anything. He was a winner!!! Yes, I'm an emotional wreck. But I'll be OK, knowing that he's not suffering, and that I had a friend like him in this life. LL.

Levy Lee Simon - August 23, 2019 at 10:32 AM

RO

Thank you Mr Levy Lee Simon I just read today I'm still in the same house. This is Ronald. I'm at the same address. If you would have a letter . Because I did not have your telephone number or Allen 's. If you are my friend write me a letter. I miss my brother Captain Bert Davis Whitehurst Jr. Ps. I'm still a member of Abyssinian Baptist church. God bless you.

Ronaldwhitehurst - September 17, 2025 at 01:19 PM

LG

“ *LAWRENCE V GREENE lit a candle in memory of Bert D. Whitehurst, Jr.*



LAWRENCE V GREENE - July 05, 2019 at 02:26 PM

SW

“ *You said we had become penguins because we wobbled when we walked, I loved your sense of humour. Sorry we didn't have more time together. RIP dear cousin. You will be missed*

Stephanie Whitehurst - July 01, 2019 at 01:39 PM

MJ

“ Sometime during the time Bert was attending Morgan State University, I taught him to drive a stick shift car. Would you believe, from that day on, whenever I'd see him, or talked to him on the phone, he would without fail, remind me that I was the one, the cousin that taught him to drive a "stick shift car!" That tickled him to no end.

So, to know Bert was to know his bigger than life smile and his heart". He was just an incredible soul!

Lastly, to his: sons, brothers, Ronnie & Greg, and all who knew and loved this "Gentle Giant", join with me in thanks to God for allowing us to be forever changed and blessed by my dear cousin, Bert Whitehurst Jr.

Min. & Prophet Bruce Jenkins Jr.

Min. & prophet Bruce Jenkins Jr. - July 01, 2019 at 12:03 AM

WL

I met Bert in the Army's officer basic course for medical and again in the advanced course in San Antonio. He was larger than life and a genuine good guy. Yes he loved to eat and have a good time. We bonded as brothers but grew apart only in distance over the years. RIP my brother!

William "Bill" Lucas - October 21, 2021 at 11:55 PM

DM

“ Memories forever. I have known Bert for 25 plus years. Always smiling and always saying Im doing good. He loved his sons and I would always ask about the boys, which is what I called them even though they are young men now. Just mentioning or asking about them brought that signature smile to his face. RIP my dear friend. God bless you, young men and be with you at this time of sorrow. My condolences and prayers to the entire Whitehurst family. Diane and Ebony Marcus, of Old Country Buffet Restaurant.



Diane Marcus - June 28, 2019 at 12:07 AM

AN

“ I had the honor and pleasure of being one of Mr. Whitehurst's nurses at CTCA. He was truly an amazing guy! He was very strong-willed and rarely complained about anything. He would fly in and fly out after treatment to be home for work the next day. He never used his diagnosis as a crutch! I always teased him about working so much and he would laugh and promise me he was going to start taking vacations. Family, please accept my deepest condolences. He loved you all very much! He will be deeply missed at CTCA and we feel as though we lost a family member. Prayers of love, strength and understanding to you all.

Love
Annica, RN

Annica - June 25, 2019 at 10:34 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Bert D. Whitehurst, Jr..*



June 25, 2019 at 07:40 PM



“ *To the sons, brothers of Burt Jr. May the love and spirit of the loving and caring universal creator comfort you during this time. Ned A Jenkins Jr.*

Ned Jenkins - June 25, 2019 at 07:35 PM



Will miss my fellow Leo prays to the family

Mary Moore - June 26, 2019 at 03:52 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bert D. Whitehurst, Jr..*



June 24, 2019 at 11:38 AM



“ We the March Family and Marshall-March Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

Marshall-March Funeral Homes - June 23, 2019 at 10:13 AM