



## Rev. Ceron A. Pugh, Sr.

May 13, 1954 - March 4, 2021

### The Obituary

The Beginning – Reverend Ceron Andre Pugh, Sr. was the second of three children born to the late Robert and Audrey Pugh on May 13, 1954, in Washington, DC.

Education - Ceron was educated in the following DC public schools: Charles Young Elementary, Browne Junior High, and Calvin Coolidge High School. He graduated from Bowie State College, now Bowie State University. After Bowie State, he went onto higher education at Howard University and Maple Springs Seminary later in life.

Employment History - During his life, Ceron worked for several industries. He started his career as a youth working for the Department of Interior, National Park Services. During and after college, he worked for several grocery store chains. For the past thirty years, Ceron worked as a Mortgage Loan Officer.

Early Life – Ceron attended Vermont Avenue Baptist Church and accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Savior at the age of ten. He was baptized on April 12, 1964. Ceron attended Sunday School and was a Youth Usher during the Junior Worship Hour.

Family Life – On December 21, 1981, Ceron was united in marriage to Ruth Washington. Four children (Ceron II, Corban (deceased), Cory, and Cierra) were born out of this union.

Organizations – Ceron was a member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. He was a long-standing member of the National Association of Real Estate Brokers (NAREB), Inc, Prince Georges' Chapter and served as the Vice-President and the immediate past President of United Realtist of Prince George's County (URPGC).

Servant Life – On February 8, 1987, Ceron rededicated his life to Christ under the late Pastor Cortez Davis, founder and Pastor of LeDetroit Baptist Church, Oxon Hill, MD. While at LeDetroit, Ceron served in the Media, Sunday School, and Deacon Ministries.

In 1995, the Lord led Ceron to First Baptist Church of Highland Park, Landover, MD to continue his spiritual growth under the late Pastor James McCord. While at First Baptist, Ceron served in the Youth (Awana), Security, and Armor Bearer Ministries. He also taught Discipleship and Crown Financial Ministries classes.

After Pastor McCord's retirement, the Lord led Ceron to New Canaan Baptist Church, Washington, DC in 2001 to continue his spiritual growth under Pastor Gregory M. Sims. While there, he served as a Sunday School teacher. He also worked with the Trustee and Men's Ministry. The most important event in Ceron's life was the day he was licensed to preach God's word as a Minister. He was later ordained as a Reverend.

In 2007, Ceron accepted a full-time ministry position at The New Macedonia Baptist Church, Washington, DC, under Pastor Patrick J. Walker. Ceron was Pastor of the Discipleship Ministry.

In 2009, the Lord led Ceron back to LeDetroit Baptist Church to assist Pastor Wayne K. Bumbry. Ceron headed the Education Ministry, served as Chairman of the Trustee Ministry, and led the Men's Ministry and Security Team. Teaching God's word was Ceron's passion. He loved encouraging men, women, and children to trust God for everything.

Memories - Ceron will be remembered for many things: his servant heart, humble spirit, love of life, beautiful smile, boisterous spirit, his commanding voice, and the way he befriended everyone that he came in contact with, whether young or old. Our most important memory of Ceron will be his love for GOD, Family, and Friends.

The Ending - On Thursday, March 4, 2021, God called his beloved son Ceron home. He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife Ruth; three children Ceron II (Hana), Cory (Sherica), and Cierra; two grandsons Ceron III and Amari; one sister Arthene and one brother Darius (Pam); one mother-in-law (Carrie), one godson Jamyle and one goddaughter Michaela; one uncle, six aunts, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Lincoln Cemetery

3401 Bladensburg Road  
Brentwood, MD 20722

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 20. 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

New Cannan Baptist Church  
2826 Bladensburg Rd. NE  
Washington, DC 20018

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rev. Ceron A. Pugh, Sr.*

October 23, 2023 at 08:15 AM



“ *My brother! My friend! It has been hard, very hard. I have so many, many, many memories of you - some I can tell and some I can not tell 😊😊😭 You and Darius were the best brothers Mom and Dad could have given me. It will be difficult for Darius and I. 😞 But we both know that you are wearing "your crown which the Lord, the righteous judge, gave you at that day". Love you forever 🙏 - your sister.*

**Arthene Pugh** - April 09, 2021 at 09:14 AM



“ *I am thankful to have known Rev Ceron Pugh for so many years. I was a participant of one of the Crown Ministry classes Rev Ceron Pugh and Ruth facilitated. There are many fond memories to be treasured of Rev Pugh. Working in the Youth Ministry at FBCHP and as a parent of a Girl Scout. Over the years whenever I would see Rev Pugh he always had a smile that would brighten up anyone's day. Pugh Family know God will never leave you nor forsake you and God is a comforter.*

**Angela Holloman** - March 20, 2021 at 11:57 AM

CG

“ Carolyn Green lit a candle in memory of Rev. Ceron A. Pugh, Sr.



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**Carolyn Green** - March 20, 2021 at 09:11 AM

GS

“ Rev. Ceron Pugh will truly be missed. He always had a big smile for everyone. I remember our good ole AWANA days! Driving the teen helpers at night to get a snack off site. We had a wonderful fun time. He was also my co-facilitator for my Experiencing God class. He was a “Giant” of a man and will be missed by all! God’s Blessing & Peace to the Pugh family.

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**Gloria Stovall** - March 20, 2021 at 12:40 AM



“ There has never been a time since I met Ceron at First Baptist that he didn't have a warm smile on his face. The overflowing love that shone on his face whenever he looked at Ruth or their kids. His never ending energy and enthusiasm! I've always enjoyed our brief encounters over the years and his welcoming spirit. He will be truly missed. He has a new assignment in Heaven and I believe he was greeted with " Well done my good and faithful servant". Just know we're keeping you Ruth, Ceron Jr., Corey and Ciara in our prayers. Jackson Family - Denise, Norman, Imani & Jamaal FBCHP

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**Denise Jackson** - March 19, 2021 at 05:43 PM

PJ

“ Rev. Pugh what a wonderful spiritual leader and teacher. He will be missed for his powerful scriptures that was shared by him in the bible study class he led and taught at LeDetroit Baptist Church.

*Sister Jackson and family*

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**Phyllis Jackson** - March 19, 2021 at 02:55 PM

CP

“ Hello Cousin Ruth and Family. I will always remember Ceron's smile and the closeness you all shared as a Family. GOD Bless You All !!  
Cousin Geraldine and David

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**Cousin Geraldine and David Powell** - March 19, 2021 at 11:28 AM

DM

All though Ceron was my cousin I love him as if he was my brother! His smile, and His Love for ministry inspired me as a minister! Cuzin Ruth, You have inspired our family during this period. We I (we) Love you so much. Loving you Cuzin Donald

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**Donald McBride** - March 20, 2021 at 09:25 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. Ceron A. Pugh, Sr..



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March 18, 2021 at 07:29 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. Ceron A. Pugh, Sr..*



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March 18, 2021 at 05:09 PM



“ *Montas, Lagrange, & Bado-Aleman Families purchased the Divine Light for the family of Rev. Ceron A. Pugh, Sr..*



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**Montas, Lagrange, & Bado-Aleman Families** - March 18, 2021 at 12:56 PM



“ *Ceron was a proud member of the National Association of Real Estate Brokers. I enjoyed working with him volunteering to give food out each year to senior citizens during Tha. He was truly a servant leader. NAREB and the Thompson family sends prayers of strength and comfort.*

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**Antoine Maurice Thompson** - March 18, 2021 at 04:07 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. Ceron A. Pugh, Sr..*



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March 17, 2021 at 02:33 PM

DB

“ Ruth and family, I am praying for your comfort and strength. May time heal the sadness that you feel. Blessed are those who mourn for they will be comforted. Matthew 5:4 We all know that Rev. Pugh is with the Lord looking down on you because he was a man of God. I know that you find great comfort in knowing that. I will miss his “how you doing Sister Bradley “ always with a hug and a smile. I’ll miss joking with him about his short and to the point sermons.

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**Donna bradley** - March 17, 2021 at 02:21 PM

LG

“ We have never experienced such a quiet, yet funny storm. Rev. Pugh you were was just that. You brought a lot of energy, laughter, joy, and a fresh breath to LeDetroit. We will miss your beautiful and funny presence. Your short sermons were informative and to the point. They brought the word to my soul. I know that you are so proud of Sister Pugh who was a strong warrior throughout your journey. She taught us how to stay strong through our strength and faith and never gave up until God said Job well done! Enjoy your journey.

*May God continue to keep Sister Pugh & Family Safe, Stong, Peaceful and Happy.*

*Louise Gray & Wayne Josey*

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**Louise Gray** - March 17, 2021 at 12:34 PM



“ Rev. Pugh referred to my family as "the Quad" (my daughter and two grandkids) and asked about us whenever I would see him. He was such a large and smiling presence wherever he went, always had a scripture, a word of encouragement or a joke to share. My deepest condolences and prayers are with you and your family, Sis. Ruth. May his memory be a comfort and a blessing.

Beverly Simpkins-Lofton - March 17, 2021 at 08:24 AM



“ I'm truly sorry about the loss of your husband. He will be missed. He had such a loving and caring heart, and a big joyful smile that would light up a room. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the Pugh family. He is with God now, resting in his eternal love. He will live forever in our hearts . To God be the Glory!

Catolyn Thorne - March 15, 2021 at 08:30 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Rev. Ceron A. Pugh, Sr..



March 15, 2021 at 03:10 PM



“ My condolences go out to The Pugh Family. Rev. Pugh will surely be missed. His smile, caring heart, the love he showed for everyone. Even though you was loved by many, but God loved you more. Sis. Cynthia Boone

Cynthia Boone - March 14, 2021 at 09:22 PM



“ *My earliest memory of Ceron goes back to the late seventies. He gave me my first lesson in driving a standard shift car, his yellow two seater Fiat. Ceron’s generosity was clear to me as a teen and throughout our adult years. Ceron was always ready to pray or speak at our family events. I am thankful for the time we shared. Ceron will live on in our hearts and memories.*

*Ruth and family, may the peace and grace of our Lord continually be with you. Much love, Shirley*

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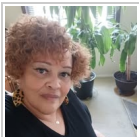
**Shirley Rogers** - March 14, 2021 at 05:24 PM

BL

“ *I will truly miss Rev. Pugh @ LDBC. His candid humor and wit often brought me through what was the beginning of a sad day. His knack for making me smile was a blessing; the angels are now enjoying his wit. My deepest sympathy to Sister Pugh and the entire family.*

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**Betty Lathern** - March 14, 2021 at 02:16 PM



“ *My condolences to Sister Ruth and the entire Pugh family. May God grant you the peace you need at this time. My prayers will be with your family. With Love,  
Sister Karen Riggins, Usher.*

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**Karen Riggins** - March 14, 2021 at 11:45 AM

TP

“ *Terry Porter sent a virtual gift in memory of Rev. Ceron A. Pugh, Sr.*



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**Terry Porter** - March 14, 2021 at 11:13 AM

TP

“ Though we know heaven has welcomed a very special person, our hearts still feel the sorrow. May the love of God surround you in the days ahead.

*I will miss you smile and our talks!*

*Terry Porter*

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**Terry Porter** - March 14, 2021 at 11:08 AM

MS

“ Rev Pugh did myself and late husband(Terrance Smith) marital counseling. The time spent with him was well treasured, such as honor to have been taught by him on how to preserve a marriage . Will forever have these biblical teachings in my heart, grateful for his candid and kind humor and time well spent . Take your eternal rest faithful and humble servant of God. Love you and thank you for everything Rev Pugh. To the family, stay blessed and know that he resides in the bosom of the lord.

*Sis Marie smith - Ledetroit Baptist Church nurse ministry*

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**Marie Smith** - March 14, 2021 at 10:48 AM



“ Cerone was an awesome husband, father and minister of the gospel. He fulfilled his life calling and reminded us in his passing that God is in control of us all. Praise God for his life and testimony!

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**Ron Crawford** - March 14, 2021 at 09:22 AM

RO

“ We were so blessed to be able to call Rev. Ceron a friend and brother in Christ. We met him while attending First Baptist Church of Highland Park. Both he and Ruth joined the Awana Ministry as youth group leaders. One of our most memorable moments of Ceron is when he expressed surprise when a young boy approached him at Awana camp and asked him if he could call him “Dad.” The young boy explained that he had always dreamed about calling a man “Dad.” Ceron agreed, and he was emotionally moved. He shared later that we told him what he was expected to do as a camp leader, but that we never told him that the young boys, assigned to him during camp, would touch his heart so deeply. We will always remember Rev. Ceron as a joyful, impeccably dressed, kind hearted loving husband, father, and man of God. He was always the first to sign up for our Married Couple’s Valentine Banquets and expressed such a commitment to meeting the needs of his Sunday School participants by having breakfast prepared for them before class. He really cared about meeting the needs of others and having fun as a Christian. His love for Ruth and his family was so special! Ruth, our prayers are with you, Little C, Cory, Cierra, and the rest of the family. We know that Ceron has gone from labor to reward and that you will see him again. We pray that God will continue to comfort you and meet your every need as you stand on God’s promises.



*Rev. Nat and Regina Obey & Family*

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**Regina Carolyn Obey** - March 14, 2021 at 01:11 AM

CB

“ My condolences to Sister Ruth Pugh and family in the loss of Rev. Pugh. He was such a great inspiration to everyone and a great teacher of God's Word. He will surely be missed. But he is in God's arms now. Wishing God's blessings upon the family. Sis. Carolyn Bellamy and Family

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**Carolyn Bellamy** - March 13, 2021 at 08:41 PM

PC

“ Pamela Carr

Rev. Pugh was a true man of God. He always greeted you with a smile and a hug, that would lift your spirit, his presence was felt when he entered the room. I would talk to him about things and he would listen and give the best advice. He had a comedic side of him that would have you in stitches. The best part about him is how he cared about everyone, he would check on us to make sure we made it home from the church conventions. I would call and he would take time out to have a conversation. He just made me feel loved, he treated us like family, he was the uncle that you couldn't wait to be around. I thank God for sharing him with us. I love you Reverend Pugh, your memories will live on in my heart. Rest in Paradise, you are a king.



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**Pamela Carr** - March 13, 2021 at 10:21 AM

CJ

“ *TO RUTH PUGH AND FAMILY: Elder Charles and I will always remember Rev. Pugh and the smiles and joyful expressions that always proceeded his words. Rev. Pugh was always excited to share God's word to anyone he met. He was a servant to all, never failing to give his heart and soul to the ministry and the gifts bestowed upon him. His wife was always working side by side with her husband. Rev. Pugh will never be forgotten. Ruth, grieve if you must in your own way. Remember, your husband's spirit will never leave you or forsake you.*

*Elder Charles Johnson and Armetta Johnson*

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**Charles a Johnson** - March 13, 2021 at 08:05 AM

HB

*Thank God for sharing you here at LeDetroit Baptist Church . Your sermons always seem to be just what I needed . I thank you for this and will never forget. RIH Reverend Pugh. Sister Hazel Byrdsong*

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**Hazel Byrdsong** - March 14, 2021 at 02:47 PM

VW

*The Washington's Big and small send sincere condolences to the entire Pugh Family. I think the fondest memory of Ceron would be his laugh. I would always have to look to be sure he was breathing ok . Ceron was a very kind and compassionate person. His kindness will surely be missed. To the family, we will continue to pray for your peace and the fond memories that you all have/shared of him.*

*Rev. Joel Washington and family*

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**Victoria Washington** - March 15, 2021 at 02:12 PM

CP

“Ceron, thank you for blessing me with your friendship. I will truly miss our talks. Thank you for your encouragement, prayers, laughs and help. May God bless and heal your family through this time.  
Love Charles Pemberton

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**Charles Pemberton** - March 13, 2021 at 12:00 AM

AB

“I cannot imagine returning to LeDetroit Sunday School and you not being there. I cannot imagine your loud booming voice not being there to encourage everyone to share what they had just learned in the Sunday School lesson. I cannot imagine you not being there and being transparent about the person you used to be while praising the Lord for the man of God you had become. I cannot imagine not hearing another of your fifteen-minute sermons (okay sometimes twenty minutes) that were short but always powerful. I cannot imagine these things, but I can imagine the smile on your face when you hear “well done my good and faithful servant.” We gonna miss you and every time we when think of you we will push back the tears.

Ruth and family I continue to pray for you, and I am standing on his promises that he will love, hold, and comfort you.

Sister Agnes Bradley-Wright & Family

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**Agnes Bradley-Wright** - March 12, 2021 at 10:50 PM

SF

“ Our Dearly Beloved Rev. Ceron A. Pugh, Sr. (Cousin), will truly be missed. Memories of Ceron and loved ones at our Family Reunions speaks volumes of love, joy and peace into my soul. I will always cherish the moment when the family would gather around and take the Family photos. Ceron would tease me and say, “Stand Up Sue.”

*May our Father comfort the Pugh Family and bring peace to your hearts and strengthen your spirits to endure in the midst of loss.*

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**Susie Fairley** - March 12, 2021 at 10:00 PM

RB

“ My wife and I knew Ceron through his wife Ruth. Ceron was the type of man who always had a smile on his face and would do anything for anyone he could. May God, our father, wrap his loving arms of protection around his wife, their children and the family and let them know that earth has no sorrow, that heaven can not heal.

*Signed: Ray and Joyce Burns*

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**Ray and Joyce Burns** - March 12, 2021 at 05:34 PM

JM

“ What a great man of God! He was my cousin in law, but always treated me and my family like we were his blood relatives. He will be missed, especially at our homecoming gatherings in August. Continuing to keep my cousin Ruth and her children in my prayers.

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**Jason Moore** - March 12, 2021 at 04:23 PM

EM

“ *Praying for the family in the lost of your love one Heaven Mosley*



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**Edna Mosley** - March 11, 2021 at 09:01 AM

EF

“ *Our are with the family. May you draw comfort from God as he help you to cope with the heavy weight of your loss.*

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**Evans family** - March 10, 2021 at 12:05 PM



“ *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.*

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**Marshall-March Funeral Homes** - March 09, 2021 at 11:22 AM