



Antonio Hammond

February 2, 2023

Antonio Hammond, was born to Essie Mae Devlin in Washington D.C. on February 9, 1962. He was later adopted and raised by Pearl and Earl Hammond, who loved him with all of their heart.

Antonio was blessed to reunite with his birth mother, Essie Mae Devlin in 2019. Antonio

Hammond passed away suddenly on Thursday, February 2, 2023, transitioning from labor to reward.

Antonio, affectionately known as “Tony,” gave his life to the Lord at a young age at Rays

Temple Church of God in Christ, at a summer revival. As an adult, he joined Ebenezer Baptist

Church. He served on the Board of Trustees for many years, taking care of maintenance needs at the church whenever he could.

He graduated from J.P. McCaskey High School, Lancaster, PA. in 1980. After high school, Tony

attended Millersville University, Millersville, PA. and later earned an HVAC Technician

Certification. He apprenticed with his father, Earl Hammond at Earl Hammond

Heating and Air

Conditioning for nearly 10 years. For twenty-six years, Tony owned and operated Hammond Heating & A.C. Inc., working primarily in residential HVAC sales and service, until his retirement in 2017. He was also a real estate investor in Lancaster, for many years. Tony loved to work on homes, making them look beautiful with his own craftsmanship. He loved working with his hands.

Tony enjoyed cooking on his barbecue pit for social, family and church events. Some of his favorite past times included: fishing, going to the beach, and playing a good card game of 500 Rummy and Spades. He also loved cars and collected classic convertible cars. Tony enjoyed a rich and fulfilling life surrounded by the love of his family.

He leaves to cherish his beloved memory: his dear wife of forty years, Rev. Vondol Hammond; daughters, Keshonda (Charles) Hawes and Nyisha Hammond; sons, Antonio (Danielle) Hammond II and Errol Hammond; granddaughters, Shaolin Gardner and Camila Hammond; and great-grandson, Jesiah Henry. He also leaves behind to cherish his memory: his beloved mother, Essie Mae Devlin; mother-in-law, Elizabeth Duvol; a brother, George Harvey; sisters, Tawanna Harvey, Teresa Harvey and Ladon Johnson; sister-in-law, Samantha Duvol and a host of uncles,

aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends. He also has two “special brothers”, Brent

Thomas (Ace) and Morris McClary (Munchie).

Tony was preceded in death by his parents; Pearl and Earl Hammond; a father-in-law, William

Duvol; a brother, Walter Devlin Jr; a brother-in-law, William Duvol II, and a sister-in-law, Detra

Duvol.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend Tony’s Homegoing Service at Ebenezer Baptist

Church, 701 N. Lime Street, Lancaster, PA 17602 on Saturday, February 18, 2023, at 11:00 A.M.

with Pastor Roland P. Forbes, Jr. officiating. The family will receive friends at the church on

Saturday from 9:00 A.M. until the time of the service. Interment will follow at Millersville

Mennonite Cemetery.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 18. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Ebenezer Baptist Church
701 N. Lime Street
Lancaster, PA 17602

Funeral Service

FEB 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Lancaster, PA 17602

Tribute Wall



“ Antonio Hammond

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ To Vondol and family:

I have been at a loss for words since hearing of the passing of my dear friend Tony. But words I found, as Tony is my best friend. My family and I pray for God's comfort to embrace you all in memories of a beloved husband, father, and grandfather.

I believe it was 1982 when I met Tony at work. We worked together and started sharing what we were up to personally and talked about our families. That led to helping one another in small ways and then on to meeting each other's families. We experienced the building of our own families and continued to help one another, even doing some large projects here and there. We experienced a lot together over 40 years of what I believed to be a genuine caring for each other friendship. Yes, I fell out of contact for quite some time and would occasionally think of our friendship. I was overjoyed in connecting again with Tony a couple years back, and though it has not been that often, it was a pleasure to see and talk with my genuine friend again. I will never forget him. That look, talk, and smile. I have been blessed with a friendship that will endure eternity. May God bless you all and give you all comfort knowing what a great man he truly is.

Mike Martin and family.

Michael D. Martin - February 16, 2023 at 09:55 PM

LM

Vondol& family,I am lost for words right now but the memories we have of Tony from the time he was a baby will forever be in our hearts thinking of all the things we shared and did with him will be with us forever.we're sharing is with you in your sorrow and praying your strength in the Lord knowing He will keep you in his loving care. Love, Lil& Allen

Lillie morant - February 17, 2023 at 01:06 PM

SW

Hammond Family, my sister Essie Mae Delvin and the rest of my family. My nephew Antonio is resting In Peace Full Of Joy. To Be Absent From The Body Is To Be Present With The Lord. He is doing fine. My Condolences to you All. Praying for your strength in the Lord doing his transition over... God Bless You All 🙏❤️🙏❤️🙏❤️🙏❤️🙏❤️🙏❤️

Scharon Harvey Williams - February 18, 2023 at 05:29 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Antonio Hammond.*



February 16, 2023 at 04:35 PM

RD

“ *Rebecca Dixon lit a candle in memory of Antonio Hammond*



Rebecca Dixon - February 14, 2023 at 01:16 PM

EH

“ My condolences to you Elder Vondol Hammond and your family. I pray God's continuous blessings, strength and comfort as you celebrate the life and legacy of your husband, father, brother, son and friend Bro. Antonio Hammond.

Elder Travis Wheeler Henson - February 14, 2023 at 11:12 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Antonio Hammond.



February 13, 2023 at 04:28 PM

RH

“ To Reverend Vondol and the entire Hammond family. May you feel the presence of God's arms of love and strength and the love from your community family, as you navigate these challenging times. I am praying much for you and family.



Reverend Dawn Harmon - February 13, 2023 at 08:26 AM

BM

“ My deepest Condolences and prayers to the Family. My God comfort you during this time.

Bonnie Morant



Bonnie Morant - February 13, 2023 at 06:12 AM

MR

“ *My love and prayers continue to go out to you and your family, Nyisha and Ms. Vondol.*

Melissa Rhynes - February 12, 2023 at 09:49 PM

SK

“ *Sharon Kay lit a candle in memory of Antonio Hammond*



Sharon Kay - February 12, 2023 at 06:10 PM

TP

Rev.Vondal and Hammond family. May the peace, comfort, strength and love of our Father God continue to be with you today and always. GOD BLESS AND KEEP!💕💕

Theresa Parker - February 18, 2023 at 10:04 AM

TA

“ *Dear Hammond Family,
We were so sad to hear of Tony's passing. We will hold on to our cherished memories in Willow Street with our children playing sports. We live in Tennessee but will have your family in our hearts on Saturday and the days ahead.*

*Your Friends,
Tammy&Rick Via*

Tammy - February 12, 2023 at 10:52 AM

BS

“ Dear Family,
We knew Antonio through LCHS football and remember his smile
and pride in his children. All of you are in our prayers.
May the Lord bless and keep him.

Bruno S. Schmalhofer

Bruno Schmalhofer - February 12, 2023 at 07:57 AM

TK

“ The Mateen Kids lit a candle in memory of
Antonio Hammond



The Mateen Kids - February 11, 2023 at 11:14 PM

MK

The Mateen Kids

Mateen Kids - February 11, 2023 at 11:15 PM

MK

Condolences from the Mateen Kids

Mateen Kids - February 11, 2023 at 11:15 PM

EG

“ *Rev. Vondol Hammond , family, friends and church family.
We send our love to you and condolences to everyone. We are praying for you all realizing this is certainly a hard thing to deal with laying our husband for eternal rest.*

Just know you have loved each other over 40 years, I believe you both were great together.

*Weeping may endure for a night but truly joy cometh in the morning.
Much Love*

Dr. Thaddeus Godwin Sr.

Rev. Eloise Godwin

*Lisbon Street Missionary Baptist Church
Clinton, NC*



Eloise Godwin - February 11, 2023 at 07:39 PM

DP

“ *Dean & Vanessa D. Preston lit a candle in memory of Antonio Hammond*



Dean & Vanessa D. Preston - February 11, 2023 at 06:22 AM

MC

“ *I will cherish our time in Baltimore in September of 2022 nothing but laughs. Always a good time with you and your family eating and enjoying the fellowship. You always treated me like family. Forever in my heart, forever loved. Rest well* ❤️

Mary Y Calloway - February 10, 2023 at 06:23 PM