



## David Munyui Maina

July 27, 2017

On July 27, 2017 the gates of heaven opened and the Lord received David Munyui Maina into his kingdom.

David Maina was born on August 7, 1954, the son of the late John Maina Nyamu and Esther Wambui Maina.

David received his formal education in Nairobi, Kenya. In 1974, he came to the United States to attend Millersville State College now Millersville University. On his first day of college he met and later married the love of his life Gail Dunn Maina. From this union two sons were born. They were happily married for over 40 years.

David became a faithful member of the Bright Side Baptist Church under the pastorate of the Reverend Dr. Louis A. Butcher Jr. He was a diligent worker serving on the Trustee Board, Chairman of the Security Ministry, and a member of the Deacon Board which he also served six years as the Chairman.

Even when his health started to decline, David continued to serve the Lord by, visiting the sick and shut-in and doing electrical projects for the church. One of his favorite projects was setting up all electrical functions for the Bright Side Opportunities Center Summer Fest.

David, a master electrician, worked for Arcelor Mittal Company for the past twenty years. He loved his job and was an industrious worker.

David, a God fearing man, always had a smile on his face, a pleasant spirit, and a kind word to say.

Surviving and cherishing the loving memories of Deacon David Munyui Maina are his devoted wife, Gail Dunn Maina, two sons, Michael A. Maina, (Abby) of Manheim, PA, John Maurice Maina, (Kelly) of Ronks, PA; three grandsons, Andre Munyui, Aiden Michael of Manheim, PA, and Devon Michael Munyui of Ronks, PA; two granddaughters Adrianna of Manhiem, PA, and Elyse Marie of Ronks, PA; a special niece, Elaine Wambui of Nairboi, Kenya; one brother in-law, Marland Dunn Jr. and one sister in-law, Dr. Yolanda Marie Dunn both of Thorndale, Pennsylvania; one sister, Jane Wairimu Okumu of Uganda and one brother, Alexander Kariuki Maina of Nairobi, Kenya and many nephews, nieces, other relatives, a host of friends, and the Bright Side Baptist Church family. Preceding his death are two brothers: Peter Nyamu, William Nyamu Maina, two sisters: Gloria Njoki, and Claire Wanjiku Maina.

# Cemetery Details

## Mellinger Mennonite Cemetery

Lincoln Hwy East  
Greenfield Road  
Lancaster, PA

# Previous Events

## Viewing

**AUG 4.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc  
528 W Orange St.  
Lancaster, PA 17603  
(717) 394-5300  
admin@thegroffs.com  
<https://thegroffs.com/>

## Viewing

**AUG 5.** 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bright Side Baptist Church  
515 Hershey Avenue  
Lancaster, PA 17603

## Service

AUG 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bright Side Baptist Church  
515 Hershey Avenue  
Lancaster, PA 17603

# Tribute Wall



“ *The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of David Munyui Maina*



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**The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc** - August 02, 2017 at 04:49 PM



“ *David Munyui Maina*

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October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Deacon Maina will be missed. His family are wonderful role models in the community. Recently my mother passed away, and as deacon was in the hospital Miss Gail found time to attend my mother's service. Such a beautiful heart. There was always a smile and hug from all of them. Our prayers are with your family at this time. Take peace knowing the life you shared was a shining example of love for all!! Jamie Thomas and family.*

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**Jamie Thomas** - August 05, 2017 at 07:22 AM



“ *My condolences to you, Gail and sons on the loss of your husband and father. May God strengthen and comfort you as only He can! Love you all.*

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**Judy McCloud** - August 04, 2017 at 10:38 PM

SS

“ Our fondest memories of David are his smiling face, gentle manner and his ability to reach out to everyone he encountered. He made you look forward to coming to Brightside, because you knew you would be greeted with a smile and a uplifting word. It warms our hearts during this sad time to remember him teasing Gail. The love they shared was visible to all who knew them. When his family came to church the love he felt for them was there for all to see. One of God's favorites has come home. He will be greatly missed. To the family we extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy. Love, Sam and Renee Sadler.

Sam & Renee Sadler - August 04, 2017 at 07:05 PM



“ 23 files added to the album Life Tributes



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - August 04, 2017 at 10:18 AM

MP

“ Mildred Perdue lit a candle in memory of David Munyui Maina



Mildred Perdue - August 04, 2017 at 09:06 AM

MP

*To Gail and family: I am sorry for your loss. I remember his great smile. May God's peace be with you.*

Mildred Perdue - August 04, 2017 at 09:10 AM

FA

*My saddest condolences to you, Gail and sons on the loss of your husband and father. I was away and heard David went to the Lord ! I am very heart broken ... a true friend, a spiritual brother and the happiest & funniest soul on earth ! Oh .. David! May God with You !!*

Felix Arroyo - August 10, 2017 at 12:19 PM



“ *I'm sorry for your loss. May the outpouring of love from friends and family bring you strengthen. I hope the expressions in God's word about the resurrection brings you comfort. (John 11:25)*

Terianna Atagwe - August 03, 2017 at 06:24 PM

LM

“ *Beloved Maina Family,*

*What a lovely family you truly are. I feel truly blessed to have known David and your entire family. Such a kind man who I am sure will be missed very much. My condolences to you and the entire family. We love and you and will continue to pray for you all.*

*Lauren and Laney Melusky*



Lauren Melusky - August 03, 2017 at 03:52 PM

TR

“ *the rovers purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of David Munyui Maina.*



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**the rovers** - August 03, 2017 at 11:31 AM

SJ

“ *Deacon Maina was such a gentleman, inspiration, and Christian role model. I thank God for his life. When I rejoined Bright Side in 2006 Deacon Maina was the first to witness to me after joining the church. He was very encouraging. My condolences to the Maina family and God be with you as you mourn Deacon's passing.*

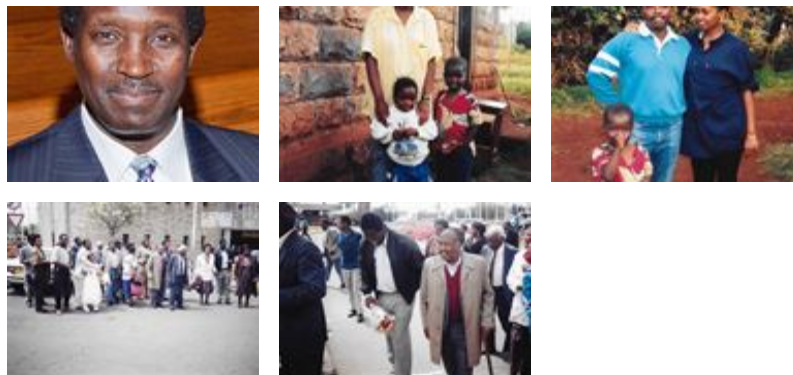
*Shirley Jones,  
A sister in Christ*

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**shirley jones** - August 02, 2017 at 07:34 PM



“ *74 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc** - August 02, 2017 at 04:33 PM

CB

“ Gail, Michael, John, Kelly and all the family,

*I am very, very sorry to hear of David's passing. I know we are all to be happy he is with the Lord, but I am sure he will be missed everyday.*

*God bless you all..my thoughts and prayers are with each of you.*

*Blessings,  
Carol Barton*

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**Carol Barton** - August 02, 2017 at 01:58 PM

MF

“ To Gail and Family:

*Deacon Maina will surely be missed. He always had an encouraging word for me. Just recently he comforted me with words telling me to remember that no one or no thing is greater than the power of God. I will miss our conversations and I will miss his words.*

*I pray God strengthens and comfort you and that good memories of Deacon Maina bring you peace in the days ahead.*

*In Christ,  
Min. Kicka Farmer*

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**Minister Lillie Farmer** - August 02, 2017 at 01:45 PM

CC

“ Beautiful candle in memory of David!  
Love Cheri



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**Cheri Crouse** - August 02, 2017 at 11:50 AM

CC

“ To my dear friend Gail, Michael & John Maurice ~ I am so sad to hear about David's passing. Please know you have my deepest sympathy. I don't even know what else to say other than David was a great man with many friends who loved him. I know that he loved his family. You will all be in my thoughts and prayers. Please let me know if you need anything. I'll be there for you!!

Love,  
Your friend Cheri

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**Cheri Crouse** - August 02, 2017 at 11:49 AM



“ Rest in perfect peace Uncle David. You will always be at heart. Aunt Gail, Michael and John, words can not express the pain we are all going through. We will continue to pray for you and the entire family.  
Sandra, Jane Wairimu & Family

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**Sandra Wamboi** - August 02, 2017 at 09:11 AM

AN

*Fare thee well may Angels welcome you in heaven*

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**Anne** - August 02, 2017 at 11:43 AM

BC

“ To Sis Gail, Michael, and John, There is so much that I could say, but we have lost one of the kindest, considerate man that I have ever known. My husband Mr Clarence and him became friends when we first moved to Lancaster, and I'm sure they have greeted each other again with a smile. You have my deepest sympathy and love.

*Sis Barbara Cameron and family*

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**Barbara Cameron** - August 02, 2017 at 08:01 AM

BP

*My condolences and prayers to the family and friends of David.  
Bronzel*

**Bronzel Powell** - August 02, 2017 at 08:55 AM

SF

*“ Mrs. Gail and Family, The Montgomery family sends our condolences and prayers in the loss of your loved one. I personally remember Mr. Maina at his son, Michael's, wedding as he was so friendly and welcoming. Mr. Maina always made you feel like family. He was a true man of God and will be missed. Well done thy good and faithful servant!!!*



**Scheena Montgomery and Family** - August 02, 2017 at 07:13 AM

RW

*“ Dear Gail, Micheal, John and the Maina Family. I got to know David at our Esophageal group meetings. I write a bit to answer questions and David and I had a few conversations. This is a very terrible disease - I have been lucky that the cancer has not returned, but all of us who have been treated are always under the threat of it coming back. I will tell you that the effects of the surgery are tough as well. I could tell the character of David in how he was fighting this and trying to deal with our daily post-surgical issues. I could also tell from our conversations of his spirituality and faith in God and his love for his family. The greatest compliment we can assess of anyone is how greatly they will be missed. I only knew him briefly and I will miss him. I can only imagine how you all feel. Please accept my condolences. He and you his family will be in my thoughts and prayers. May the Lord take care of David and watch over all of you.*

*Roy Wood*

**Roy Wood** - August 01, 2017 at 07:19 PM

RM

“ Rick Megaro lit a candle in memory of David  
Munyui Maina



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**Rick Megaro** - August 01, 2017 at 02:38 PM

RM

“ Dear Gail, Michael, John and the entire Maina Family,  
I am deeply saddened by the loss of David. Please accept my  
deepest condolences. I only met David a few times at our meetings  
but I knew right away what a special person he was. He was such  
an inspiration to our group, full of positive energy and a smile that lit  
up the room. I know he helped many members by sharing his story  
and love for others in need. His faith has definitely placed him in  
paradise with our Lord. I pray for his soul and for your family that  
you may forever hold nothing but happy memories of David in your  
hearts forever. God Bless david and may he rest in peace forever!

*Rick Megaro*

*President, The Esophageal Cancer Support Group of Philadelphia*

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**Rick Megaro** - August 01, 2017 at 02:36 PM