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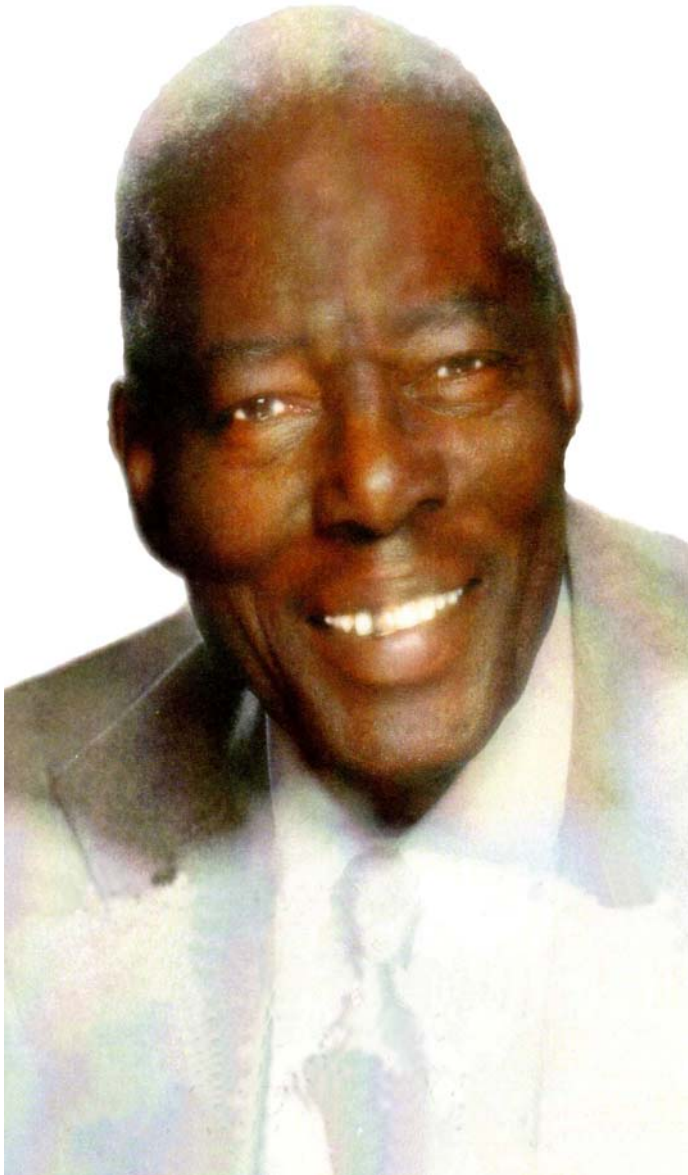
The Passing of a Great Pioneer

Mr. Albert L. Kindred

27 March 1925 - 11 December 2011

Albert Lee Kindred was born a fraternal twin on June 23, 1924 in Ashburn, Georgia to George and Sabe-Ash Kindrick. He was the seventh of seven children born to the Kindricks. (Rose-twin, Louis, John, Thelma, Tommy Lee, Cora Lee and Mary Lou). He also had two half sibling, Lucille and Eva. Albert's mother died at an early age, so he and his sibling were largely raised by his aunt, Elmira Ash. Shortly after turning 18, Albert left for the military, first serving in the Navy in 1944, then the Marines until 1956, retiring as a Staff Sergeant. Albert was part of a historic group, being one of the 1st African Americans allowed to join the Marine Corps, training aboard the segregated base at Camp Montford Point. As one of an elite group of brave men, Albert helped pave the way for tens of thousands of African Americans serving in the United State Marine Corps today.

Albert met his beloved Ella Lee Walker and they were joined in marriage at New Bethel Baptist Church in Opa Locka, Florida in 1952. Albert and Ella remained in Florida for only a few years then decided to move with their two children, Willie and Andrea, to California in 1955. Albert was stationed at El Toro Marine Base so they made their home nearby in Santa Ana, California, where they remained for fifty years. Albert accepted Christ at Gospel Light Church under Rev. Jefferson in Santa Ana, California.



After retiring from the military, Albert embarked on a career as a plumber, working the County of Orange for over twenty five years. Albert was a tenacious worker, always making sure his family was provided for, but there were few things that Albert cherished most: the love of his wife & children and his guitar. Albert loved to play his guitar for hours on end in the evenings, sometimes becoming so tickled he would not only play, but he would perform-turning flips, hitting splits for his family and friends. However, Albert's love of Ella was his greatest love, being as God designed it to be-undying and unwavering, always there for one another and never separated for long periods of time. When Albert lost his beloved Ella in January 2011, he lost his confidante, his best friend, his true love.

Albert was preceded in death by his loving wife of 59 years, Ella Lee Kindred, his parents, George and Sabe-Ash Kindrick, his brothers and sisters Rose, Louis, Thelma, Tommy Lee, Cora Lee, Mary Lou and Eva. He is survived by his son Dr. Willie Kindred (Sandra); a daughter Andrea Yvonne Jones (Frederick Jones, Sr.,-deceased), and one sister Lucille Johnson; Five grandchildren, Frederick Jones, Jr., (Dawn Jones),Valinda Humber (Aaron Humber), Christina Jones (Mark Jones), Adrian Kindred, and Cheryl Kindred. Ten great grandchildren, Terrell Jones, Justin Humber, Aliesha Jones, Amanda Humber, Cherokee Jones, Adrianna Rivera, Jade Jones, Kordai Jones, Kennedy Jones and Jourdann Jones; One great-great grandchild, Austynn Frederick-Jay Clisby and a host of family and friends.

