



Earl Linwood Pulley Jr.

December 10, 1956 - October 25, 2024

Earl Linwood Pulley Jr. was born on December 10, 1956, to Earl Linwood Pulley, Sr. and Shirley Lee Winston Pulley. He departed this life surrounded by his childhood friends, family friends, sister, and niece at Washington Hospital Center on October 25, 2024, after the onset of a sudden and brief illness.

Earl loved baseball and was very active in Bucknell Little League Baseball. He was also very active in the Boy Scouts of America and became the first black Eagle Scout in Fairfax County, VA, which is the highest level you can achieve in Boy Scouts. He achieved this honor while attending high school at Groveton High (now known as West Potomac High School).

At an early age, Earl confessed Christ and was baptized by the Reverend Earl L. Harrison, the fifth pastor of the Shiloh Baptist Church of Washington, DC. As a youth, he was assigned to Sunshine Circle. After high school, he joined his parents in Olivet Circle. Earl participated in several activities and ministries at Shiloh, including the choir under the leadership of Herbert Lee.

Earl continued his education after graduating high school by attending Florida State University (FSU). In the spring of 1976, he was initiated into Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Iota Delta Chapter. In 1979, he graduated from FSU with a Bachelor of Science in mass communication, and a minor in marketing.

Earl enjoyed a successful sales and marketing career in Chicago, IL, and New York, NY, until 1990. He then decided to follow his passion and became a professional actor and voiceover artist and signed exclusively with Linda Townsend Management from December 1990 until his passing, for a span of 34 years.

Earl also used his professional acting and commercial voiceover artist skills in animated commercial and cartoon voices, commercial reads, industrial reads, and radio and TV commercials for Chemical, Midlantic, PNC Banks, Miller Lite, and Emergency Medical Services. He had featured lead roles in industrial films for Mobil Oil Corp., Computer Associates, and Midlantic Bank. He had a featured film role in "Head Games" and made appearances on Cinemax and Showtime. Earl had a leading role in August Wilson's two-time Pulitzer Prize winning play, "Seven Guitars", and performed in other stage plays and shows throughout the Washington, DC area. He was eligible for membership in the SAG and AFTRA unions.

Earl leaves behind a loving sister, Vera Pulley Strong; a niece, Taylor Strong; a nephew, Dorian Strong; a great-niece, Ta'laya Strong Fitzgerald; a spiritual brother, Mack Paschal; and a host of cousins and friends.

Previous Events

Viewing

NOV **14.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Shiloh Baptist Church
1500 9th Street N.W.
Washington, DC 20001

Funeral

NOV **14.** 11:00 AM (ET)

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Interment

NOV **15.**

Private