



John Cardell Washington

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It is with great sadness we announce the passing of John Cardell Washington, a Greenwood Service Director for 15 years.

John joined our Greenwood family back in 2009. He was hired by former Care Center Manager, Stacy Miles.

John quickly became a father figure, uncle, brother and friend to many Greenwood Employees over the years.

John never met a stranger. He was a gentle giant with an infectious smile.

He brought care and compassion to so many families over the years. Families and Clergymen would often times recognize John from past services and greet him with a handshake and big smile.

John was someone we could depend on day or night to work visitations and services. He was ALWAYS available. He truly understood and embraced his calling as a Service Director.

John was born November 23, 1943, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. After completing his formal education, he enlisted in the United States Army and served his country. John moved to San Diego, CA after his Honorable Discharge. He met and married his loving wife Van, who preceded him in death in November, 2017.

To their union, 2 sons, John Jr. and Wesley were born.

John was a member of New Hope Friendship Missionary Baptist Church where he served on the Deacon Board and in other capacities for many years under the leadership of Pastor Milton Chambers.

John was employed by The San Diego Union Tribune Newspaper . He worked there for several years before he retired.

After John retired, he had a desire to continue to serve others.



Obituary

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John joined our Greenwood family as a Service Director and made it his mission to be available and ready to serve all cultures and faiths.

He also assisted with training staff members to ensure they knew the expectations of all cultures and faiths.

When John wasn't working, he loved spending time with his grandson Jaden, traveling to visit his family in Louisiana and abroad. He also loved enjoying good food with family and co-workers.

John passed peacefully at his home on Monday, March 11, 2024. His sudden passing was unexpected and left us broken hearted.

May he rest in peace and his memory be a blessing to those who knew and loved John.

Please keep John's family and the Service Director Department in your thoughts & prayers.



Events

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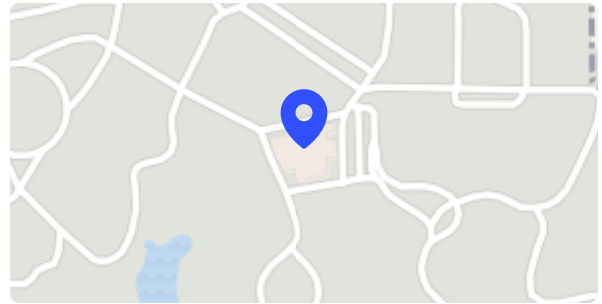
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Public Viewing

Wednesday, April 10, 2024

5:00 PM - 9:00 PM PT

Greenwood Memorial Park - Garden Chapel
4300 Imperial Ave., San Diego CA 92113

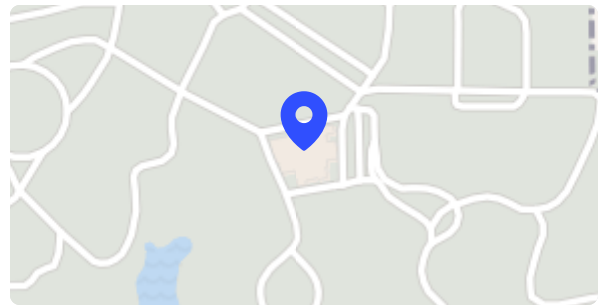


FUNERAL SERVICE

Thursday, April 11, 2024

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM PT

Greenwood Memorial Park - Garden Chapel
4300 Imperial Ave., San Diego CA 92113

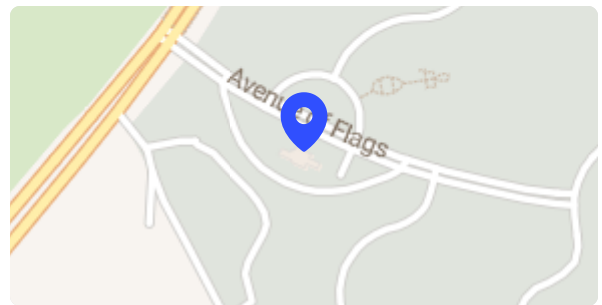


Committal

Thursday, April 11, 2024

2:15 PM - 2:45 PM PT

Miramamar National Cemetery
5795 Nobel Drive, San Diego CA 92121





Tribute Wall

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Tia Harding posted:

Mr. Washington, thank you for always being a beacon of light at Greenwood. You always greeted me with a big smile, and I greatly appreciate knowing you. Sending your family prayers and condolences

April 11 at 8:29 AM



Jenn Berry lit a candle in honor of John.

Sweet John...Our hearts broke getting the call on the day you passed. You will never be forgotten. Your hearty laugh & mischievous laughter will forever echo the halls of "The Wood". Thank you for always having our back and being the best limo driver for Trey on prom night. I trusted you with my life without giving it a second thought. Rest in peace my friend. We love you. Jenn & Kevin



April 9 at 5:12 AM



Tara Mayo shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Daddy you were the first man I ever loved. I want to thank you for loving me. I was blessed to have you in my life as a child. You were my gentle giant, when you picked me up it felt like I was flying. While our world changed and what seemed like a lifetime passed ; I was fortunate to not only see you , but , hold you in my heart again and experience your love and deep laughter. Best of all I was honored your love spilled over to my children and they were able to love their " Daddy John". To all of the Washington family my deepest condolences, and please know that John C Washington may be gone ,but he will never be forgotten , He could not talk enough about his sons and grand children, and trips to visit his sister and family and his good friends , you all were his everything . My prayers are with you. "Daddy " so long for now.



March 14 at 6:07 PM



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AE

Alannah Estrada posted:

Mr. John Washington, Thank you for being a light to me and the Greenwood family. Even though we met when I started working as a service attendant in 2022, John and I had already crossed paths in 2016 when he was a service attendant for my grandfather's funeral. In fact, I found a photo of John passing me a rose for a flower tribute. And come 2022 or 2023, I saw John and simply said, "thank you" to which he looked at me puzzled and questioned, "for what?" And I explained to him that he had been there assisting my family. I will miss the almost mischievous moments as he would joke around at work. Our most recent gimmick was bumping into me during my lunch hour and John would laugh, "every time I see you, you're eating!" I will miss him asking, "ya ready?" before heading off to our services together. Rest in eternal peace, John Washington. Til we meet again.

March 22 at 6:08 AM

JO

Jesse Ortega posted:

Mr. Washington, my heart hurts knowing you will not roam the halls of Greenwood anymore. Thank you Doc...thank you for being you, and for welcoming me into your inner circle. You will forever hold a special place in my heart. I love you John.

March 15 at 8:05 AM

BJ

Bro. Kevin R. Jones posted:

I truly enjoyed working with John. He and I would just banter back and forth with each other just having fun while we worked together. He had a great sense of humor and would make me laugh even if I came to work feeling down. He would NOT let me stay down. I'm really going to miss him and the back and forth we shared. May he rest in peace. I know he deserves it. Kevin J.

March 14 at 6:07 PM



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April 6 at 12:21 AM





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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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