



## Morris R. Burton

March 18, 1940 - August 29, 2019

Morris R. Burton of Delran, NJ passed away peacefully at home on August 29th, 2019. He was 79 years of age. Morris was born in Prince Edward County, Maryland in 1940 and was a resident of Delran for the last 50 years.

He is preceded in death by his beloved wife Jacquelyn M. Burton (McFarland), whom he was married to for 57 years until her passing in October of 2018. He is survived by his loving sons Darren (AnnaMarie) of Delran and Bryan (Mary) of Waterloo, Iowa. Morris was the cherished grandfather of Anthony (Lindsey), Myles, Mia, and Hunter Burton. He is also survived by his siblings, Allen (Jackie) Bell of Greensboro, NC and Sarah Pendelton of Ardmore, PA, and a host of nieces and nephews. He is also survived by devoted niece Candis Brown, longtime family friend and confidant Derrick Reed, and many loving neighbors.

He is preceded in death by his parents Horace (Ella) Evans and Beryl Allen of Philadelphia.

Morris is a graduate of Overbrook High School in Philadelphia, where he was a member of the Alpha Phi Beta fraternity. He was a major force in starting a chapter of the fraternity in the 1990s at Delran High School that involved a large number of youth.

Morris was employed for 27 years as a benefit authorizer for Social Security. After retiring from Social Security, he was employed by the Cinnaminson High School District for another 27 years as the attendance/truant officer.

Morris was a 4th degree knight of the John Tatham Assembly #648 Knights of Columbus. He was a member of the Jaycees, the football commissioner of Delran AA, basketball coach of Delran AA, a member of the Ethnic Pride Club, a member of the Ebony Club, a board member of the Dell Music Center, a member of Delran High School Hall of Fame, and the Performing Arts Center at Delran High School is named after him.

Relatives and friends are invited to gather on Friday evening, September 6th, from 6-9pm at Givnish of Cinnaminson, 1200 Route 130 North. His funeral Mass will begin at 11am at Resurrection Parish, St Casimir site, 502 New Jersey Ave., Riverside. Interment will follow at Lakeview Memorial Park, 1330 Route 130 North Cinnaminson.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Morris' memory may be made to Samaritan Healthcare & Hospice, [www.samaritannj.org/giving/donate-now/](http://www.samaritannj.org/giving/donate-now/). To share your fondest memories and condolences, please visit [www.Givnish.com](http://www.Givnish.com).

# Cemetery

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# Events

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**Lakeview Memorial Park** **SEP** **Gathering of Family and Friends** 06:00PM - 09:00PM  
1300 Route 130 North **6**  
Cinnaminson, NJ, 08077

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Givnish Funeral Home (Cinnaminson)  
1200 Route 130 North, Cinnaminson, NJ, US, 08077

**SEP** **Mass** 11:00AM  
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Resurrection Parish at St. Casimir's  
502 New Jersey Avenue, Riverside, NJ, US, 08075

# Comments

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“ A tribute video has been added.



**Givnish Funeral Home** - September 05, 2019 at 01:09 PM

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“ It has been said "A good name is better than good oil, and the day of death is better than the day of birth." , Because at birth a person has no established reputation. His life course however, will result in either a positive or a negative reputation. There is no doubt that Mr. Burton had a good reputation with those who crossed paths with him. He touched the lives of so many. For myself, I will always remember the laughs in his office at CHS, our arguments over the cowboys and eagles, our Alpha Phi Beta meetings at his home, and the many Saturday morning breakfast we had at Paula's or any other diner off route 130 with him and my grandfather. I am deeply saddened by his passing and my heart is heavy for his sons and their families. Although I am not able to make it to the funeral "may the God of all comfort" give comfort and strength to the family at this time. Sleep well Mr. B

Much love,  
TJ, Seana, Tracy, and Ariana Lassiter

**Tracy Lassiter Jr.** - September 07, 2019 at 06:53 AM

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“ My heart is heavy with the passing of my dear friend and mentor, Brother Morris Burton. Since I began at Cinnaminson HS in 1998, Mr. Burton took me under his wing as he did with countless others. Some of my fondest memories of High School are laughing with Mr. Burton in his office while Tom Joyner played in the background. Mr. Burton's office was a place to escape the pressure of school and life as a teenager...at least until he realized you were trying to skip class and sent you back to class (with a hall pass of course). But Mr. Burton's dedication to his students was not limited to the walls of CHS, as he helped hold Ebony club meetings, HBCU bus trips, and fraternity meetings in his home. Mr. Burton's door was always open, and that continued even after HS as he continued to keep tabs on me through college, my career, and as I began a family. It was truly a blessing to have had such positive influence in my life. Mr. Burton's humble, kind, and generous spirit has impacted the lives of so many...most certainly mine. I know Mr. Burton, once again reunited with his beloved wife Mrs. Jacquelyn Burton, is smiling down on us. Although not able to make the service, my family and I would like to extend prayers and our heartfelt condolences to the family of Brother Morris Burton. He was most certainly loved and will truly be missed.

Jeremy, Jaclyn, Ava, Maya, and Jordan Ashe.

Jeremy Ashe - September 06, 2019 at 04:02 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album LifeTributes



Jeremy Ashe - September 06, 2019 at 03:33 PM

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“ I will always remember Morris' distinctive voice and: his hearty laugh. Condolences to the family.

Pati Cooper  
Philadelphia, PA

Pati Cooper - September 06, 2019 at 01:33 PM

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“ Unable to be present for services, our thoughts & prayers are with the Morris Burton Family. We surely shall miss our friend but will cherish fond memories forever. Sue & Tom Holcomb & Family

The Holcombs - September 06, 2019 at 12:39 PM

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“ 29 files added to the album LifeTributes



Givnish Funeral Home - September 05, 2019 at 01:10 PM

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“ Boys&Girls Clubs of the Cedar Valley Staff & Board purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Morris R. Burton.



Boys&Girls Clubs of the Cedar Valley Staff & Board - September 04, 2019 at 06:13 PM

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“ Central Rivers AEA Board of Directors purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Morris R. Burton.



Central Rivers AEA - September 04, 2019 at 03:37 PM

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“ Leika Scott-Gore lit a candle in memory of Morris R. Burton



**Leika Scott-Gore** - September 04, 2019 at 01:16 AM



“ The family of THE DELL MUSIC CENTER in Morris memory sent \$100. To the Samaritan healthcare and Hospice

**Cynthia** - September 05, 2019 at 08:24 AM

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“ The Cruise Group purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Morris R. Burton.



**The Cruise Group** - September 03, 2019 at 11:29 PM

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“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Morris R. Burton.



September 03, 2019 at 11:25 PM

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“ Lenore Williams lit a candle in memory of Morris R. Burton



**Lenore Williams** - September 03, 2019 at 10:03 PM

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“ Mr. Burton touched the lives of so many. Thank you. May you Rest In Peace.

**lauren** - September 03, 2019 at 07:42 PM

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“ Constance Foster lit a candle in memory of Morris R. Burton



**Constance Foster** - September 03, 2019 at 06:48 PM

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“ He lived a good life helping others, being a true friend, good father and husband. So sorry for his family. Hundreds of young people learned from him about what could be possible in their lives. Thank you Morris, you will be missed. Love Ruthie

**Ruth stepoe** - September 03, 2019 at 12:05 PM

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“ Sincere sympathy at this time of loss.  
“With Christ” is far better. Phil. 1:23  
Eric McCullough (Bryan's father-in-law)

**Eric McCullough** - September 03, 2019 at 11:20 AM



“ Mr. Burton was a true Delran patriot--such a devoted partner in education, and we are forever grateful. It's a sad day for our district. May he rest in peace.

**Lena Galati** - September 01, 2019 at 07:38 PM



“ He was my Dell partner for abt 35yrs,I was in seat 7 ,mines was,seat 6, you will be missed, but never forgotten! R. I.H. Morris!

**Dee Graham** - September 03, 2019 at 01:10 AM

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“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Morris R. Burton.



September 01, 2019 at 06:42 PM

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“ Mr. Burton was intuitively aware when a child was in need. He knew, if a child is missing a lot of school, that there's a bigger reason than the child just not wanting to go.

I attended Cinnaminson High School from 1990-1994.

Mr. Burton would always give a false disappointed frown, when I'd visit the attendance office, but he would ALWAYS give me his great smile before I left his office within the few minutes I was there to address an absence.

Can you imagine that the small moments of kindness Mr. Burton showed truly helped me? He was just that awesome. Truly an amazing man.

My high school life was fraught with social anxiety, at that time, undiagnosed (but now no longer an issue).

In the 70s, 80s, and 90s, we weren't as tuned in to these conditions kids exhibited...

In my sophomore year, I missed around 35-40 days of school. I had notes, but I still had to go to post-sessions held in summer, after school let out, to sit and make up classroom hours. Mr. Burton was also in the post-session classroom.

It's readily apparent Mr. Burton just knew when a child needed some special attention, or acceptance, and like many great teachers, did his part to help those kids.

Mr. Burton, thank you. Thank you for being who you were. You made my life a bit easier, when it was hardest for me.

My sincerest condolences to family and friends. May the warmest memories we have provide you some solace. Blessings.

**Kira Matonick** - September 01, 2019 at 11:43 AM



“ I am saddened to hear of the passing of Morris Burton. I was a teacher in Delran schools for 32 years before retiring and knew him as a colleague in the Delran School District and as a fellow neighbor in Delran Township. Morris had a great smile, a good sense of humor and warm spirit. Condolences to his family and may the fond memories of his life bring them comfort in the sad days to come. Be at peace, for Morris is now resting in peace with the Lord.

With love,

Maxine Carter

**Maxine** - September 03, 2019 at 05:51 PM

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“ I was saddened to hear about Morris. He was a gentlemen, showed kindness to all who knew him, and was very personable. His honesty with me regarding students that we both knew was invaluable to my success as a teacher at Cinnaminson HS. Morris made a difference in the lives of administrators, teachers, students, and support staff. RIP Morris. Prayers going to your family and friends as they mourn your passing into the next life. Victoria Vavricka  
Retired Business Teacher Cinnaminson HS

Victoria Vavricka - September 01, 2019 at 09:14 AM