



John H Finney

February 28, 1959 - October 17, 2024

Elder John Howard Finney was born February 28, 1959 in Nashville, TN to Gary Finney and the late Virginia Gordon Avery Finney. He departed this life surrounded by family Thursday, October 17, 2024 at Central Baptist Hospital. He attended Metro county public schools there where he then later relocated to Morganfield, Ky to attend and graduate from Earle C. Clements Job Corp center. This is where he would be employed for over 40 years and meet the the love of his life, Juanita Finney.

As he was embraced and taken in by the Harris family, he then began to serve and be called to the ministry as an Elder under the late, Superintendent Daniel McGee at McGee's Temple C.O.G.I.C. He served in various capacities such as the Sunday school superintendent, a part of the YPWW department and playing the trombone. Next was elevation to pastoring which was one of his greatest joys at New Hope C.O.G.I.C in Uniontown, Ky, and Faith Temple C.O.G.I.C in Fulton, Ky. He ended his days ministering and serving under Administrative Assistant John A. Harris, Jr at McGee's Temple and New Beginning C.O.G.I.C. Elder Finney was a quiet, humble man who was faithful to his calling. Even during his days of illness, you would never find a complaint in his mouth but rather taking the time to encourage anyone he came in contact with and also ministering to the residents of Northpoint Healthcare facility.

He leaves to cherish his wife of 45 years, Juanita Finney, three daughters, Angela (Kent) Fife, Kenyonna (Robert) Miller and Johnetta (Cecil) Mathews, three grandchildren, Johnesha Sawyers, Kayden and Kendyl Fife. He was the 2nd oldest of 7 siblings, Brenda Scales, Joseph Avery, Geraldine Avery, Marsha Johnson and preceded in death by two siblings, Linwood Gordon and Marilyn Avery. He was also fondly affectioned by his second family, the Flemings with sister in laws, Christine, Wilma and Yolanda and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Final arrangements entrusted to Smith & Smith funeral home

Interment: Hillcrest Memorial Park

Funeral service held at New Beginning Church of God In Christ, Administrative Assistant John Harris, Jr officiating

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Memorial Park

Previous Events

FUNERAL

NOV 1. 12:00 PM (ET)

New Beginnings Church Of God In Christ
845 Bryan Avenue
Lexington, KY 40505

Visitation: 10:00 am until time of service.

Tribute Wall

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“ Always loved seeing Eld Finney at the meetings. an inspiration always.

Pastor Kelley L Bard -First Lady Sandra Bard Powerhouse, Greenville Ky

KELLEY LEE BARD - October 31, 2024 at 11:06 AM

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“ To Sis. Finney and the family, our deepest condolence to all. So sorry to hear about Bro. Finney. Thoughts and prayers are with you all. May he rest in peace. May God blessing be with you all.



James and Twanda Watkins Morganfield, Ky - October 31, 2024 at 07:54 AM

BT

“ Bertha Foster (Tyler) purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of John H Finney.



Bertha Foster (Tyler) - October 30, 2024 at 12:07 PM

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“ Bertha Tyler/ Williamae Foster purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of John H Finney.



Bertha Tyler/ Williamae Foster - October 30, 2024 at 11:48 AM