



Mr. George Bernard Hadley

January 28, 1947 - October 11, 2013

A time to be born, George Bernard Hadley was born to the late Ameal Hadley and late Geneva Cross Hadley , January 28, 1947 in Monroe. A time to die, Bernard took his journey into eternity October 11, 2013, when he took God's hand of mercy and entered into the heavenly mansion that the Father has promised.

Bernard graduated from Lincoln Elementary School, Carroll High School of Monroe and Southern University School of Engineering in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He joined the Zion Spring Baptist Church where he attended Sunday School faithfully and was baptized in the Ouachita River by Rev. Davis at the age of 6.

He was joined in Holy Matrimony to Dorothy Williams in 1974. This union existed 41 years in keeping with the promise that "til death do us part." To this union was born two daughters: Gelauna and Diadra.

During Bernard's CHS and Southern University days he had several close friends and acquaintances, including McKinley Matthews, Donald White, Roy Lee Davenport, and Michael Smith, and Lem Johnson (all deceased) and Michael Futch and Raymond McCoy. Bernard loved his 60's and 70's music and could rock in a rocking chair listening for hours.

Bernard (George) was the best father in the world and the best husband in the world. A very devoted husband who loved his wife. Her wish was his command. Through the years, he kept a spicy romance going with her. He loved and raised his daughters to become fine young ladies and responsible citizens.

Bernard worked as a civil engineer who designed bridges and street layout in the District of Columbia and in several states including: California, Utah, West Virginia, Texas, Louisiana, and Florida for the Federal Highway Administration for a total of 41 years. He was instrumental in helping to determine where the 18th Street extension would be placed so that it would not interfere with the Magnolia Cemetery on DeSiard Street in Monroe. He helped to design the exit from I-20 East to the Pecanland Mall and fought for more square footage for the overpass there. He often expressed frustration about the current condition of the bridges in America.

Bernard trained many others during his tenure as a civil engineer and will be greatly missed by his co-workers, friends and family.

Preceding him in death are his parents and brother Arthur Donnell Hadley (Zeke).

Cherishing his memory are his wife Dorothy; daughters Gelauna and Diadra Hadley of Atlanta GA; a sister, Autrey Hadley of Monroe, LA; a brother Joseph (Joe) Hadley of Thornton, CO; a very close niece, Audrenia (Donald) Franklin of Monroe, LA; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Services are 2:30PM Saturday, October 19, 2013 at Miller Funeral Home. Visitation will be held 1-7:30PM Friday, October 18, 2013 at Miller Funeral Home. Internment will be in Richwood Memorial Gardens under the direction of Miller Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Richwood Memorial Gardens

2705 Richwood Rd. #2
Monroe, LA 71202

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 18. 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Miller Funeral Home - Monroe
2932 Renwick St.
Monroe, LA 71201
(318) 388-3000
info@millersfuneralhomes.com

Church Service

OCT 19. 2:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. George Bernard Hadley*

January 30, 2023 at 03:35 AM



“ *Mr. George Bernard Hadley*

January 30, 2023 at 02:22 AM



“ *Greetings,*

I will always remember the talks, laughs, and moments shared with Uncle George. In retrospect, I rarely spent time with him and Aunt Dot in my young years. Which tends to be something I deeply regret to this day. Upon my moving to Tallahassee I immediately felt the domestic love of family.

Both my aunt and uncle, no matter the situation, magnanimously showed love, compassion, and hospitality. No matter the attempt, I can not put into words the love I have for them. I pray that one day the lessons and talks I have appropriated over the time spent with "Good Ole Uncle George" (as me and Coneshia would say) may continue to serve me everyday as stepping stones to my divinely appointed purpose in my life. Rest In Peace Uncle George, you will never be forgotten. Thank You Unc...

Your nephew/son, Carlton Williams III

Carlton Williams III - October 19, 2013 at 01:44 PM

BW

“ Good Morning this is Barbara, I am writing this through my tears, George was such a good person. I always thought a lot of George BUT when Carlton moved to Tallahassee the fatherly way he treated my child made the giant of the man he was grow even taller. I will always miss George, but I believe with all my heart that he is in a better place and that the reunion he is having up there, earth can't match. God Bless You and we love you, Hadley Family

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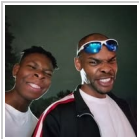
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“ I can remember meeting unc for the first time he called young man but i wad only 11 years old. I remember him being down to earth very nice. he had pleasant voice and a nice personality. you will be missed Uncle George may u rest in peace. Your Nephew Charles Williams

Charles Williams - October 18, 2013 at 03:29 PM

LJ

“ I will always remember George as a great source of information and knowledge in the office, with a wonderful, gentle smile and an infectious giggle that was uniquely his. He may have parted from our everyday world, but will never be forgotten. Rest in Peace, George. My thoughts and prayers are with your family. Lee Ann Jacobs

Lee Ann Jacobs - October 18, 2013 at 02:44 PM

TF

“ *The FHWA Florida Division Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. George Bernard Hadley.*



The FHWA Florida Division Family - October 18, 2013 at 11:22 AM

“George Hadley was a remarkable person—a national resource, really—with a distinguished 40-year career at FHWA. He was a skilled regulator, a conscientious teacher, and a kind and empathetic co-worker. I learned much of what I know about Federal environmental law through George’s careful tutoring. He was much loved and looked up to by us at FHWA as well as by the FDOT employees with whom he worked. I remember how sad we all felt after George retired. We went through George-withdrawal.

George was a great story teller. The environmental team often travelled together on long road trips, and by the time George retired from FHWA, I knew a great deal about his life, including his boyhood in Monroe. I had also learned a lot about his primary and extended family and how much he loved them! He and Dot had a resilient, devoted marriage. I recall him telling us at work, one morning, that Dot had “informed” him the evening before that he was beginning to talk a lot--that one of the reasons she had liked him originally was because he had been a quiet person. We all chuckled over that one. Living most of my life in the NW, George was the first African-American that I came to know well, and this meant a lot to me.

George really loved his daughters and was very protective of them. He would sometimes talk about how much he liked a fast, sporty car, but that after his little girls were born, he traded it in on a car that would be comfortable and safe for them. He must have been a great father!

I recall him coming in to work on the morning after President Obama was elected, and mentioning that he had cried on the way in, thinking about it. I also recall that, in looking at project impacts, George was always concerned about the welfare of minorities and low-income groups.

I’m glad George will be buried in Monroe—I think that he, being an FHWA gypsy, always thought of it as his real home. I recall how

much he loved the LA cuisine—often ordering crawfish and spicy dishes at restaurants when we traveled. I only wish he could have had a little more time to enjoy his hard-earned retirement with his family. I'm glad our lives paralleled each other for a brief period--I'll always remember George!

Linda Anderson

Linda Anderson - October 18, 2013 at 10:59 AM



Nina Williams

“ *I never got to spend much time with uncle George due to distance, but the times I spent around him were always pleasant, he seem to be a very cool and humble guy! Rip Unc! Nina Williams*

Nina Williams - October 18, 2013 at 10:14 AM



BA

“ *George was a part of the Carroll High School class of 1965. We were in the same homeroom for four years at CHS. He was smart, respectful and competitive. Hats off to you his family for having such an excellent role model! Bernadine Adams*

Bernadine Adams - October 18, 2013 at 09:31 AM



KB

“ *George was a much valued member of the FHWA FL Division and the PER Team. His willingness to share his leadership, knoweldge, and passion for the environment has been an example to all. He made lasting contributions not only in the projects and innovations he helped advance, but with the people he worked with. Many lives, including mine, have been changed by knowing George. His smile and laugh were infectious. My heart and thoughts are with Dot and the rest of George's family during this sad time. Karen Brunelle*

Karen Brunelle - October 17, 2013 at 02:22 PM

BM

The city of Port St Lucie will, this Thursday, be thanking folks for getting a ROD signed for the crosstown parkway after 10 years of effort. I made sure George was at the top of the list of people the city needed to recognize, as without his stewardship of the project the ROD would have never occurred.

brian mirson - March 17, 2014 at 09:27 PM