Willie Brunson Earl Harvey Ray Wallace Honorary Pallbearers

Mackie Bradford William Whiteside Dennis Gibson

Flower Bearers
Friends of the Family

Repast in Fellowship Hall immediately following service

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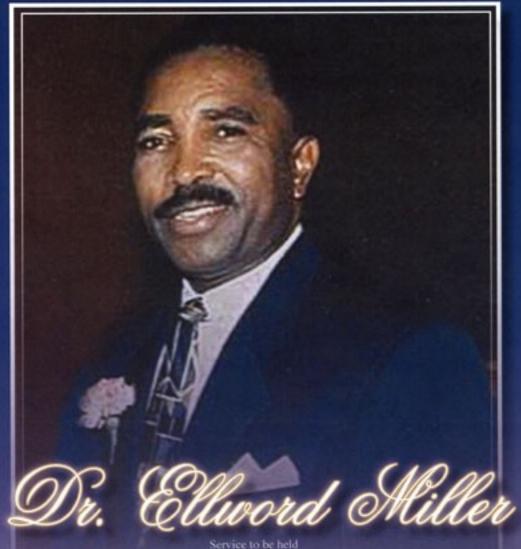
In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that individuals make a donation to the Kappa Detroit Foundation, which will use donations to support the Foundation's youth development and scholarship programs for Detroit area youth. Checks can be made payable to:

Kappa Detroit Foundation P.O. Box 7207 Dearborn, MI 48121

Acknowledgment Of Appreciation

The Miller family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation, the many comforting messages, floral tributes, prayers and many other expressions of kindness and concern evidenced at this time in thought and deed. A more personal acknowledgment will be made at a later date.

## Celebrating The Life Of



Saturday, March 5, 2011
10:00 A.M. Family Hour • 11:00 A.M Memorial Services

People's Community Church 8601 Woodward Ave. • Detroit, Michigan 48202

Rev. Dr. Martin E. Bolton, Officiating

## **OBITUARY FOR**

## Dr. Ellword Miller

Dr. Ellword Miller was born on January 14, 1943 in St. Louis, Missouri to Eugene Jimmie Lee and Rhodia Bell Miller. He was one of four children.

Ellword, affectionately known as "Woody" by close family and friends, attended Sumner High School, where he excelled in baseball, basketball, football as well as boxing. He left St. Louis in 1961 to attend Western Michigan University, where he studied education, played football and became a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. It was also at Western Michigan that Woody met Georgella (Cookie), the woman he would marry in Detroit, Michigan in 1967, and with whom he would spend the next 43 years.

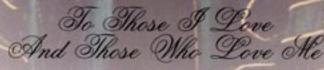
In 1966, Woody began a thirty-six year career as an educator and administrator with the Detroit Board of Education, passing on an opportunity to pursue a football career in the NFL. During this tenure, he was instrumental in shaping academic and athletic programs that were committed to supporting academic excellence and positive youth development outcomes for thousands of Detroit students. In all of Woody's professional and personal endeavors, he always exemplified the pursuit of achievement in every field of human endeavor, and a fundamental commitment to the development of the African American community, especially African American youth.

Woody enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, playing golf and tennis, and enjoying both national and international travel with his wife and their close friends. The highlight of his travels came when they visited South Africa, Kenya and Egypt during March and April of 2010.

Woody transitioned from this physical life on February 25, 2011. Preceding him in death were his loving parents, and one brother, John Miller. He leaves to cherish his wonderful memory his wife, Georgella; two sons, Khari Askia Miller (Lynda Watson-Rodriguez) of Raleigh, NC, and Oronde Amir Miller (Amina Watson) of Bowie, MD; two daughters, Melonie and Valerie Morrow of San Antonio, TX; three wonderful grandchildren, Aya Nyela Miller and Damani Askia Miller of Bowie, MD, and Holly G. Morrow of San Antonio, TX; a loving sister, Barbara Miller of St. Louis, MO; a brother, Jimmie Miller of St. Louis, MO; sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, several aunts, a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, and other loving relatives and friends.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

"Blessed Assurance"
Rev. Dr. Martin E. Bolton
Read Silently
Daborah Jarvis
(Please limit 2 minutes or less)
Rev. Dr. Martin E. Bolton
Church Organist



When I am gone, release me, let me go. I have so many things to see and do. You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears, be thankful for our beautiful years. Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near. And if you listen with your heart you'll hear all my love around you soft and clear. And then when you come this way alone I'll greet you with a smile and say "Welcome Home."

I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

St. John 11:25-26