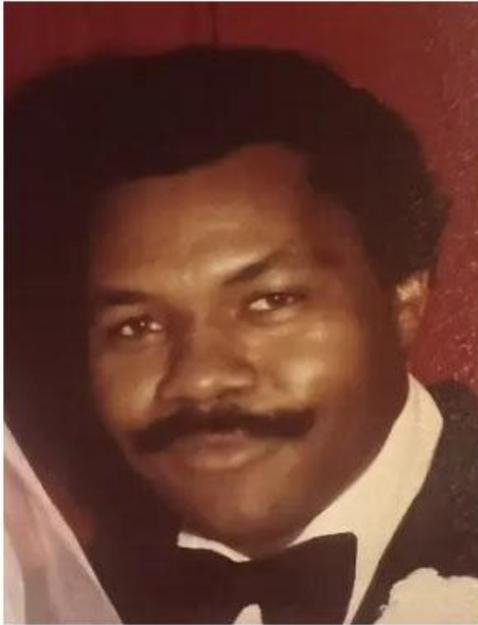


Willie D. Wiggs



Willie Wiggs served in the 7th RRU in 1966 and the 2nd Platoon of the 101st RRC from 1966 until 1968.

Willie D. Wiggs Obituary

Willie D. Wiggs “Douglas” passed away on February 12, 2025.

Douglas was born on January 13, 1944 in Clatyon, NC to Lorena Jones and Hubert Jones Sr.

After Douglas graduated from Shrewsbury Township Public School he went to serve in the Army from July 1965 to July 1969 and served in Vietnam. After serving honorably, he returned home and attended Rutgers University where he earned his BA in History. He had many jobs over the course of his life but he cherished being a history teacher for Asbury Park High School. He was loved by his many students. Because he was so well versed in a myriad of subjects it was clear that teaching was where his talents shone – whether for his students or friends and family.

Douglas had a love for photography and jazz music. His cooking was unparalleled. He loved to talk and was friendly to all, whether you were a long time friend or someone in the same aisle in the grocery store. He had eyes that everyone would remark on because they were so beautiful. His voice was smooth and just hearing him speak was an experience of its own.

He married Gloria on November 5, 1977 after meeting her when she was attending Rutgers. He has two children, Vidal Gonzalez (Debi) and Lisa Ramos as well as a grandson, Lucas.

He was predeceased by Hubert Jones, Jr. Gail Denise Jones Tatum, Kathy P.A. Briggs, Kevin L. Jones, Sr. and Alfreda P. Jones.

He leaves behind five aunts, Lena Mae Turner, Dina Washington, Shirley Blount, Betty Jones and Annie Ruth Pollock as well as five sisters, Doris A. Richardson, Gloria Pickney (Clarence), Rev. Tassie D. York (Jock E.), Carol L. Rock (Samuel) Arlesa McGee (Andre) and two brothers Tommylee Hinton (Elender) and Robert H. Jones, Sr (Brenda) as well as a host of nieces, nephews and friends.