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## Winston J. Hall , Sr.

*Winston J Hall, Sr.* was born on June 24, 1924 in Baltimore, Maryland to the late John (Shug) Holmes and Ethel Hall. Winston was an only child. Winston attended St. Peter Claver Elementary School and St. Pius Elementary School. He attended Douglas High School where he was known as a lightweight champion boxer.



While in high school, he was drafted into the United State Marines Corps in 1942 and served for three years, during this time he was served as one of the Drill Instructors at Montford Point and attained the rank of Sergeant. After his honorable discharged, he went back to Douglas High School and received his high school diploma. Winston met the love of his life, the former Gloria Jones, and in March, 1948 they were married. From this union two children were born, son, Winston, Jr. (Butch) and daughter, Sharon. Winston was employed with the United State Postal Service as a Letter Carrier in 1952 and retired in 1984. Handling the mail was instilled in his heart and he accepted a part-time position in the mailroom at All First National Bank and resigned due to medical reasons in December, 2002. Winston was a member of St. Cecilia Roman Catholic Church for over 40 years. He served as an active member of the Brothers of St. Cecilia and a Dedicated member of the Maryland Chapter #17 Montford Point Marine Association, Inc.

Winston joined The Most Worshipful Hiram Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M., Inc. in December of 1970. One of his greatest joys was being a member of the Hiram Grand Lodge where he studied and served on numerous committees and houses. Bro. Winston served as the Grand Master from May 27, 1994 to 1998. He was a member of Hiram Glee Club. He joined the Avalon Social Club in 1960. He was a member of the Douglas Alumni, June Class of 1944. He was also one of the First African American United States Marine Corps (1942-1 946). In the early morning hours of January 29, 2011, Winston J. Hall, Sr. quietly answered the final call of his life and peacefully transitioned home to be with the Lord. He leaves to celebrate his life and legacy his wife, Gloria; son, Winston, Jr. (Lameteria); daughter, Sharon; brother in-law, Frank Jones (Elizabeth Jones); beloved grandchildren, Trabien (Tamika) and Jennie; great-grandchildren, Tori and Travon; two nieces, Paula and Cheryl; and a host of beloved friends ..