

A portrait of an older African American man with a warm smile, wearing a white collared shirt. The background is a soft, light blue and white gradient.

Glenn
WARE

MARCH 18, 1950

APRIL 1, 2021

Obituary

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also his appearing. 2 Timothy 4:7-8

On April 1, 2021, an angel of the Lord came and reclaimed His own, our beloved, Glenn Anthony Ware. Glenn heeded God's call and transcended time to soar into eternal rest. As an individual who respected and maintained traditional values, faith was important to Glenn. His compassion, consideration, and sympathy toward others was evident in his personal beliefs. He confessed his faith in Christ at a very early age. Glenn was a lifelong member of Boyd Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church in San Antonio, Texas, where his Christian journey began. He also attended Cornerstone Church in San Antonio, Texas and Highlands Methodist Church in Highlands, Texas under watch care membership.

"Seeing is believing." For many, those words simply represent a motto. But for Glenn, it summarized in every way who he was. He was modest, quiet, and observant, taking in everything around him and always thinking before acting. He was a realist, someone who was efficient and practical in everything he did. He was a friendly person who truly cared about those around him.

Glenn was born on March 18, 1950 at Carl R. Darnell Army Medical Center in Fort Hood, Texas. He was the son of Charles Ware and Juanita Harris. Raised in San Antonio, Texas by his cherished grandmother, Estella Ware, he was brought up to be tolerant and trustworthy. As a child, he was taught by Rev. James E. Lampkin to be conscientious, responsible, and believe in God. Those were all traits that would carry him throughout his life.

As a young boy, Glenn was always aware of how others around him felt and this quality served him well. With a deep capacity to tolerate the feelings of others, Glenn was a natural born therapist. It seemed as if Glenn was the family member who was always working to keep stress at bay. Preferring a quiet environment where he could concentrate - especially having eleven siblings - Glenn also had the ability to relate well with his family and friends. Despite his large family, Glenn and his siblings deeply cared for each other and shared many life experiences over the years. He was especially close with his twin sister, Glenda, who he was older than by 10 minutes!

Growing up, Glenn was one of those children who did not need to be in the center of a whirlwind of activity. He was content to entertain himself. Glenn was never pushy when it came to games and other activities, but rather, he was able to enjoy the pure fun these things could bring. In just about everything he did as a child, Glenn was intent on pleasing both the adults and the other children around him. Glenn took part in a number of activities as a child, including playing the clarinet in the school band. He was also a Sunday School teacher and usher at Boyd Chapel AME Church. He absolutely loved to read the Bible. And in his spare time, he played ping-pong and dominoes.

Glenn also enjoyed learning. He always had a great memory and was particularly skilled at retaining factual information. Glenn was generally quiet in class, learning best through observation. He often showed great concentration and was competent at completing the tasks at hand. Good with details, Glenn was painstaking and accurate in his efforts. All of these talents culminated into a successful career. Glenn's memorable achievements included many academic accolades such as National Honor Society. He graduated in 1968 from Brackenridge High School in San Antonio, Texas, and went on to higher education and military service.

Glenn had a good disposition for the challenges of college. He always enjoyed reading, so all of those lengthy required reading assignments seemed to be less of a burden for him. In fact, Glenn seemed to absorb and remember everything he read. He was very thorough and labored long and hard in order to reach his goals. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from St. Mary's University, San Antonio, Texas. At the end of his undergraduate tenure, he graduated with honors.

Glenn was an Army Veteran. He seemed to thrive on the routines offered up by the military. Being a literal thinker with a calm exterior helped him handle the rigors of the military. He was in the First Infantry from 1970-1973 and spent much of his military service touring and fighting for our country. Glenn saw action in Vietnam for almost two years. He also toured with the Army in Indochina and Korea. Through his hard work and dedication, he achieved the rank of Sergeant and ended his military career as a Morse Code Interpreter in Fort Devens, Massachusetts. He received several awards including a National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Republic Vietnam Campaign Medal, Meritorious Unit Citation Medal, Good Conduct Medal, and Air Crewman Badge Sharpshooter-Rifle Medal.

After his honorable discharge from the military, Glenn went back to school completing his Master of Arts in Psychology at St. Mary's University. Upon graduation, Glenn began his career in psychology as a licensed therapist. He was employed by San Antonio Mental Health & Mental Retardation Center as a mental health therapist for over 10 years. He also worked as a research therapist at Lackland Air Force Base and a taught college courses in counseling and psychology at San Antonio College. During that time, Glenn excelled in youth counseling as community service to small groups at the Boys & Girls Club of America and the YMCA. Glenn was good at staying on track and was considerate in listening to what others had to say. In this way, Glenn had a true gift for being able to come up with practical resolutions to difficult problems. His profession in psychology and therapy suited him very well.

Most folks would say that Glenn was shy until they got to know him. Those who were privileged to know him well learned that he was a solid, good friend. He was also an exceptional, caring, and kind uncle to his nieces and nephews. Glenn was reluctant to generalize about people, and he based his friendships on his personal experiences. Because of this, Glenn best trusted those people that he truly knew. He was concerned about how those around him felt, and he always seemed to uncover the positive side of people. He could relate to others and had the ability to see their point of view, to "walk a mile in their shoes," as the saying goes. The friends that he made, Glenn kept. While growing up, some of his best friends were Tye Carroll, Jackie Carroll, and his big brother, Lawrence Ware. Later in life, he became close friends with his brother-in-law, Jimmie Young, Sr., Grant Daniel, Riki Elder, and Demi Vorise who would often go and see him and take him to his doctor appointments.

As an adult, Glenn was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease. As a result, he resided in an assisted living home close to his twin sister and her family in Houston, Texas for most of his adult life. Even after his diagnosis, Glenn continued to stay in touch with his old friends while making plenty of new acquaintances. He was active in his assisted living community and felt fulfilled with the constant interaction he would have with his Army veteran roommates and the staff. During his time at the assisted living, Glenn was an active participant at Highland Hills Methodist Church. He often led prayer when members of the church came to visit him at the assisted living home. His ultimate passion in life was spreading the Word of God and watching CNN. He absolutely loved the news and would watch Anderson Cooper nightly.

Glenn is survived by his twin sister Glenda Ware Young (Jimmie Young, Sr.), and other siblings Carol Carpenter (Harry Carpenter, deceased), Phyllis George Harrison (Thomas Harrison), Jacqueline Cross (Michael Cross), Charles Ware, Jr., Randolph Ware (Sandra Ware), Cheryl Butler (Adam Butler), Christopher Ware (Jennifer Ware), Dwight Ware (Karen Ware), Kaye Barnes, Rachelle Barnes, and Carl Barnes. Glenn is also survived by his two godchildren who he loved - Dominique Carroll and Jimmie Young, Jr. He was preceded in death by his parents Charles Ware (Lillian Ware) and Juanita Harris, maternal grandparents, paternal grandparents, and his siblings Lawrence Ware (Betty Ware), Kenneth Barnes (Patsy Barnes, deceased), Thomas George (Delia George), Sheila Bell (Mark Bell, deceased), and his close cousin Mary Alice Hicks.



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May God continue to bless and keep you in his loving care.

~The Family~

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