

Order of Service

Prelude	
Processional	Clergy and Family
Selection	
Scripture	Old & New Testament
Prayer	
Expressions	2 mins only
Obituary Reading	Soft Music
Selection/Solo	
Eulogy	
Recessional	Clergy, Family & Friends



Active Pallbearers

Jim Criff JR
Aaron Mathis
Johnny Mathis
George Plater
Claven Ridley
Gilbert Edwards
Jim Criff
Jimmy Ray Heckard
Roger Criff

Honorary Pallbearers

Broadrick Criff
George Curry
Kentavious Criff
Johnathan Levi
Joshua Barlow
Patrick Yancy
Jacolby Yancy

Acknowledgements

We are externally grateful for the many acts of kindness shown to us during our time of bereavement. Please continue to keep us in your prayers.

Interment

Locust Hill Cemetery

Services Fulfilled by



205 FIDELITY ST. HOUSTON TX. 77029 | 713.223.4966

A Celebration of Life for



George Criff

Sunrise

October 14, 1942

Sunset

March 8, 2021

Visitation

Thursday, March 25, 2021 | 6 PM-8PM
C. A. Dixon III & Sons Funeral Home
205 Fidelity Street | Houston, TX 77029

Service

Saturday, March 27, 2021 | 1:00 PM
Locust Hill Baptist Church
8121 Hwy 562 | Fort Necessity, LA 71243

Obituary

On October 14, 1942 George Criff was born to the proud parents of Ella Criff and Bill Ridley of Extension, Louisiana. After completing his general education studies he moved to Houston in his early 20's. He later met Ella M. Criff (Burton) and after years of dating, they were married in 1977. George and Ella decided to make Clinton Park their home. It is in this working class community that George worked hard as a construction worker and specialized in carpentry. As a hard working husband and devoted father he even opened and ran the successful BB's Lounge.

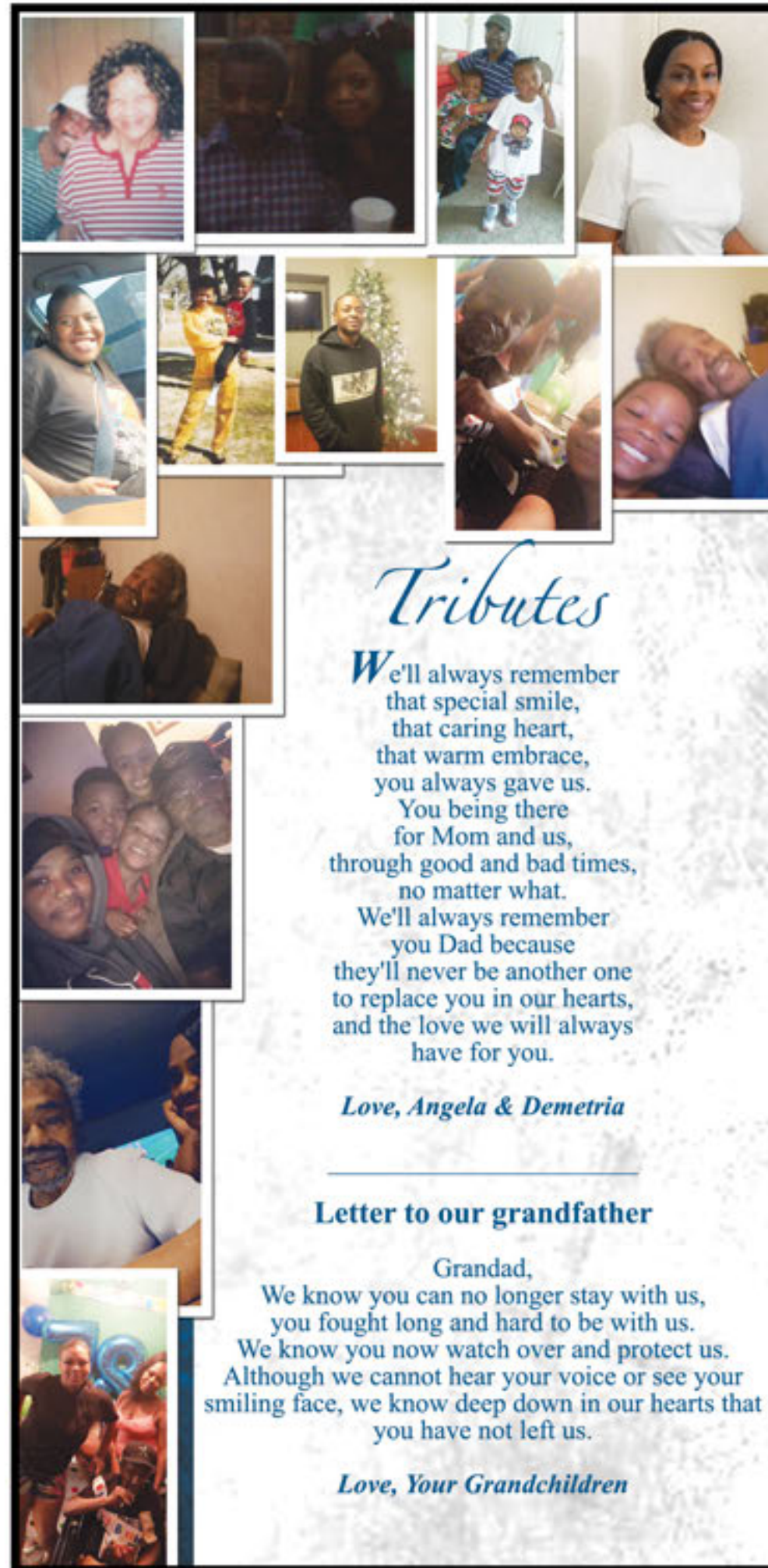
After retiring in the late 1990's he dedicated his life to caring for his wife, children and grandchildren. He was very well known in his community and will be remembered as a person who would give you his last - even if he didn't have it. He left an impression on everyone he met. Nicknamed "Shorty" by his community peers, the list of random acts of kindness and unselfishness is extremely long. He was a wonderful man.

On March 8th, 2021, our Heavenly Father decided it was time for George to leave his earthly home for his new permanent residence in Heaven.

*When I come to the end of the road,
And the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room
Why cry for a soul set free?
Miss me a little - but not for long.
And not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that once we shared.
Miss me, but let me go.
For this is a journey we must all take,
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the master plan,
A step on the road to home.
When you are lonely and sick at heart,
Go to the friends we know,
Laugh at all the things we used to do.
Miss me, but let me go.*

He is preceded in death by his parents, Ella Criff & Bill Ridley, Wife Ella M. Criff (Burton) and sisters Janie Mathis, Louise Smith, Shirley Reed, and Vianner Doyle. He also will be greeted in heaven by three daughters, Chandra Criff, Christie Criff, Katherine Toliver, one son Albert Toliver, granddaughter Tishana Criff and grandson Laurente' Burton and great grandchild Jaliyah Burroughs.

Left to cherish his memories are 4 daughters, Angela Criff, Demetria Criff, Brenda Burton - Blakes, and Shirley Hollis; 2 sons, Broadrick Criff & Johnathan Levi; Sisters, Annie Mathis, Roberta Mathis, Ann Mathis, Marlene Mungin, Ethel Ridley, Sue Johnson, Lydia Ridley, and Holly Campbell; Brothers Claven Ridley, Jim Criff Jr, Aaron Mathis, Johnny Mathis, 25 grandchildren, over 30 great grandkids and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends that loved him dearly.



Tributes

We'll always remember that special smile, that caring heart, that warm embrace, you always gave us. You being there for Mom and us, through good and bad times, no matter what. We'll always remember you Dad because they'll never be another one to replace you in our hearts, and the love we will always have for you.

Love, Angela & Demetria

Letter to our grandfather

Grandad,
We know you can no longer stay with us, you fought long and hard to be with us. We know you now watch over and protect us. Although we cannot hear your voice or see your smiling face, we know deep down in our hearts that you have not left us.

Love, Your Grandchildren