

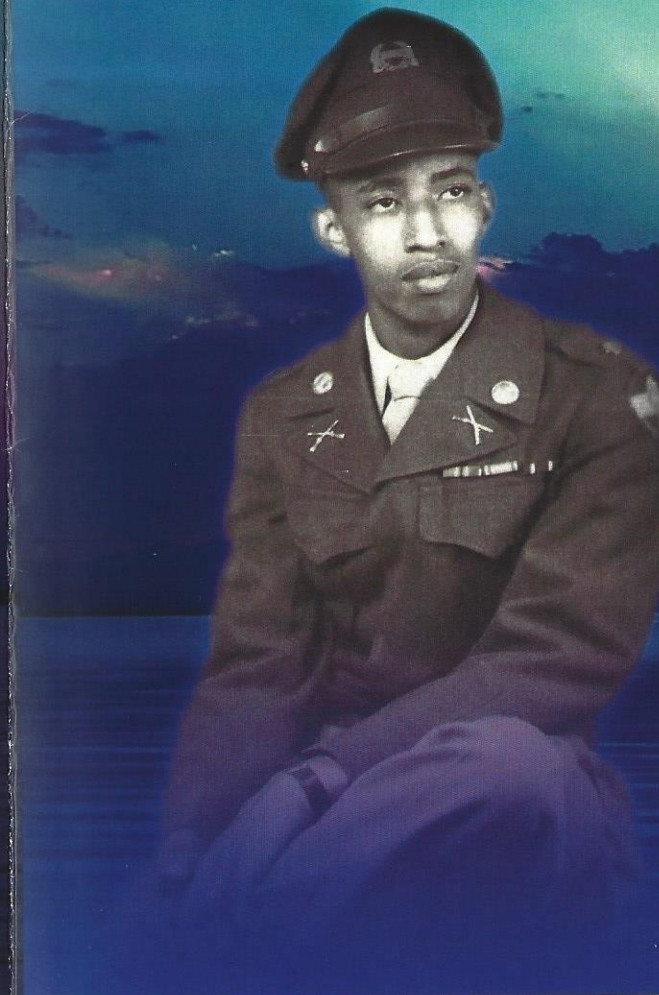
The Fallen Limb

A limb has fallen from the family tree.
I keep hearing a voice that says, "Grieve not for me."
Remember the best times, the laughter, the song.
The good life I lived while I was strong.
Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you.
Keep smiling and surely the sun will shine through.
My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest.
Remembering all, how I truly was blessed.
Continue traditions, no matter how small.
Go on with your life, don't worry about falls
I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin.
Until the day comes we're together again.

Thomas Funeral Home, 4520 Salem Ave., Dayton, Ohio 45416
Interment – Dayton National Cemetery

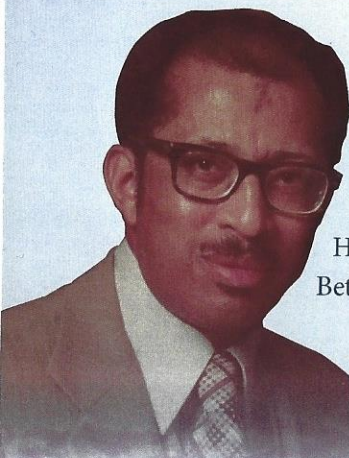
Celebrating the Life and Legacy of *Robert O. Hughes*

March 20, 1932 – March 24, 2021



Friday, April 2, 2021 • 11:00 am

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Life Reflections of

Robert O. Hughes

Aka- Bob and Red

Robert O. Hughes was born in Prescott Arkansas on March 20, 1932. He grew up in Sparkman, Arkansas and Kansas City, Missouri. He graduated from R.T. Coles high school in Kansas City, MO in 1949. He graduated from Lincoln Junior College with an Associates of Arts degree in June 1951 and enlisted in the United States Navy in July 1951. In the Navy he graduated from Hospital Corpsman "A" School, Bainbridge MD and received training as an X-ray technician in Bethesda, MD, where he graduated with honors. He served as a corpsman on the USS Cascade for seven months before transferring aboard the aircraft carrier USS Bennington for thirteen months. While aboard the Bennington he was awarded the Meritorious Mass Citation for Heroism for his actions during the explosion and subsequent fire on May 26, 1954, which took the lives of 103 shipmates. He then transferred to the Navel Submarine Base in New London, Connecticut. He received an Honorable Discharge from the Navy on July 15, 1955 as a Hospitalman Second Class E-5.

In September 1955, he enrolled in the University of Kansas City where he majored in chemistry. He left Kansas City in January of 1956 and traveled to Ohio to find employment. In April 1956 he was hired as a laboratory technician in the Aerospace Medical Laboratory at Wright Patterson Air Force Base. During his time at Wright Patt, he worked in the Air Force Materials Lab as a Technical Information Specialist. In December of 1968 he married Joan E. Hughes (Johnson) and adopted her daughter Kathy J. Johnson. In February 1969 he accepted a position at the Foreign Technology Division (FTD) as an Intelligence Research Specialist in the Photo Research Branch. In April 1969 he welcomed the birth of his son Robert Marcus Hughes. In February 1974, he became a Supervisory Technical Information Specialist in the Document Services Branch of the Directorate of Data Services. In 1980 he transferred to the System Engineering Division as a Computer Specialist. In August of 1982 he began an assignment in Washington DC as FTD's Liaison to HQ Air Force Intelligence at the Pentagon. When he returned from that assignment, he took the position of Chief of The Foreign Disclosure Policy Division responsible for managing all FTD's interactions with Foreign Governments and International Organizations. He graduated from FTD's Career Broadening Program and was instrumental in the development and the establishment of the FTD Learning Center. He retired from FTD in November 1990 after 40 years of service.

He is survived by: His wife - Joan, Daughter - Kathy, Son - Robert Marcus, Forever - Daughter in Law - Kerensa, Grand Children - Ilyana and Robert Marcus II, Sisters - Willie Mae Osborn and Johnnie Ruth Wallace and numerous beloved nieces and nephews.

Order of Service



Processional

Greeting Rev Therman C. Sampson, III

Prayer Gwen Basden

Celebration in song Rev. Nat George

Memories (3 min)

Silent Reading of Obituary

Celebration in song Rev. Nat George

Eulogy Robert Marcus Hughes

Acknowledgments Robert Marcus Hughes

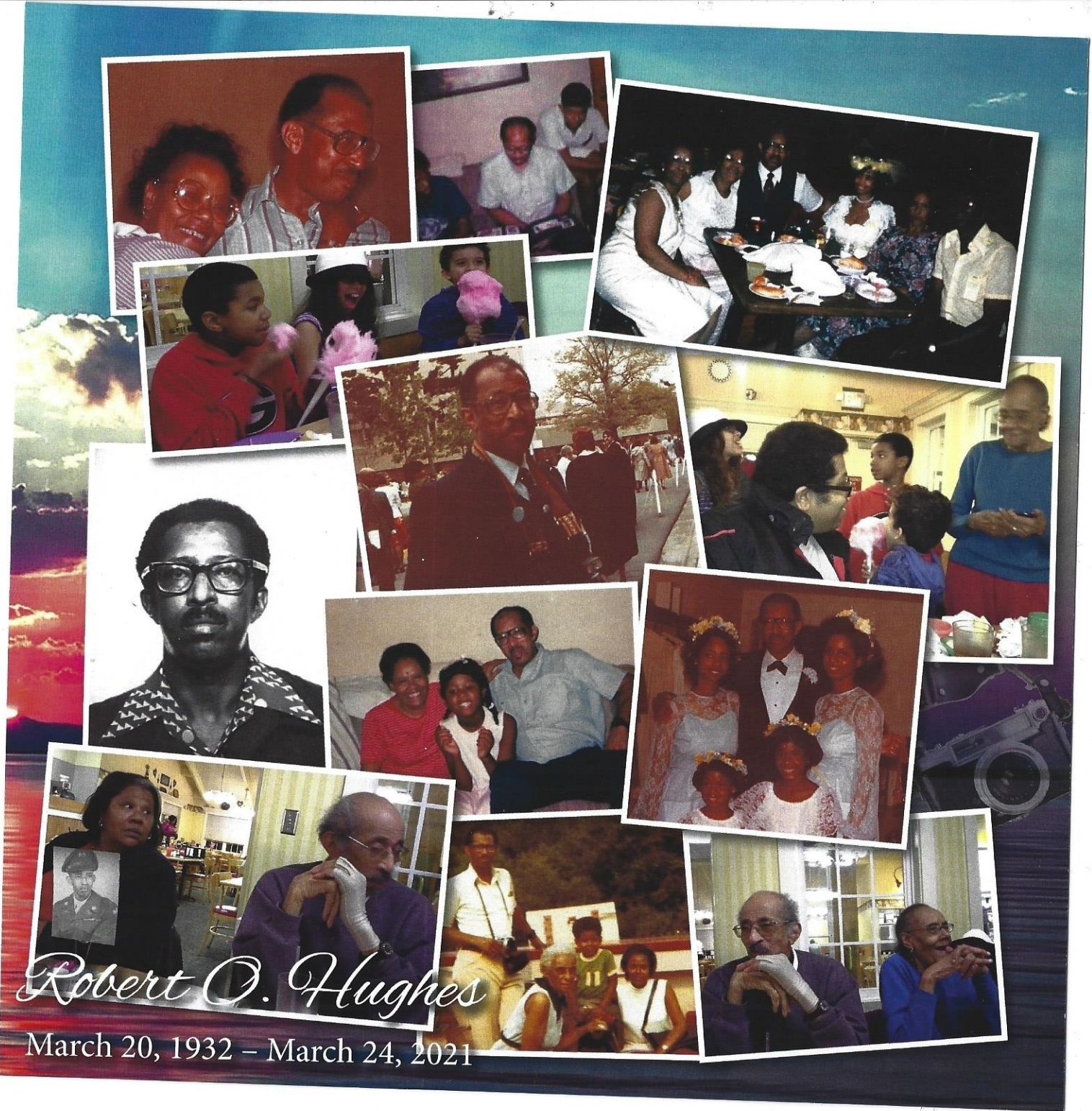
Recessional Song I'll Fly Away

Acknowledgments

Friendship is a precious bond, so fragile, yet so strong. It's nurtured by our thoughts and deeds and soothes when things go wrong. May we express our sincere gratitude for your acts of kindness, donations, flowers, prayers, and cards.

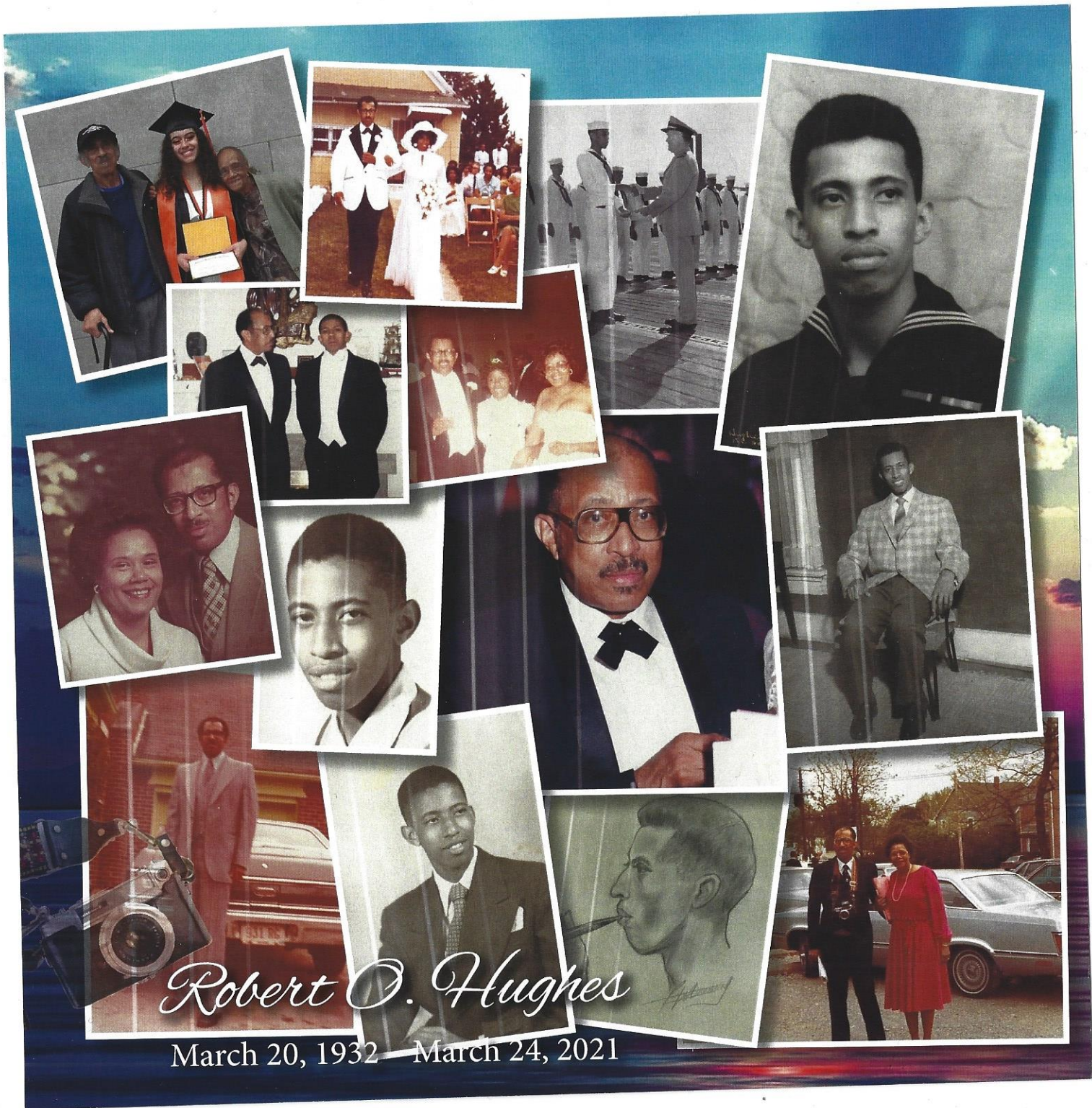
May God bless all of you.





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