

In Loving Memory Lionel Paden

Lionel Eugene Paden, the eldest child of Leonard and Freddie Paden, was born in Portland on Dec. 30, 1945 and went home to be with the Lord on his birthday Dec. 30, 2009.

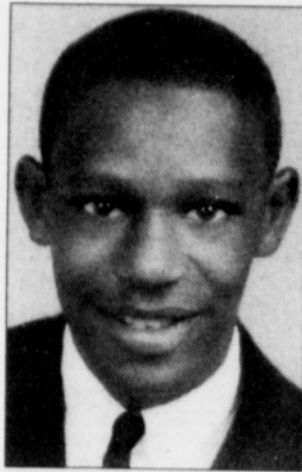
As a child, Lionel grew up on Kerby and Gantenbein Street while attending Eliot and Highland Grade School. He graduated from Benson High School and attended Portland State University. He married his high school sweetheart Audrey Hall and to their union two children, Michelle LaJoyce and Miron Lynn were born.

As a young man, he was employed by Pacific NW Bell and Tradewell Store. He served as a merchant seaman cook traveling the

world. He later enlisted in the Army where he was stationed at Ft. Lewis in Washington State and in San Diego, Calif.

Later in life, he was employed as a chef at various restaurants in Portland and in Tacoma. He was baptized and accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior at Mallory Church of Christ where he was a member.

Lionel was united in marriage to Deborah Holloway at Mallory Church of Christ where he served his church in the ministry of cooking and feeding the homeless. Lionel found great pleasure in cooking,



watching his Westerns and reading historical books.

He was preceded in death by his first wife Audrey and daughter Michelle LaJoyce.

He leaves to mourn his passing, his spouse Deborah; his mother and father, sister Marilyn Sue Wallace, brother Ronnie Paden, sister Anita Noble, sister Amelia Leonarda Paden, son Miron Lynn Washington, son Timothy W. Taylor, and many other family members and friends.

We all love and will miss you Lionel.

Go to terryfamilyfuneralhome.com to visit Lionel's online obituary and sign the guestbook.



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Jonathan D. Cleveland, 1963-2010

Jonathan Cleveland passed away peacefully in his sleep on Sunday, January 17, 2010. He was 46 years old.

Jon was born July 13, 1963 to Henry and Beatrice Gilmore Parker. He was adopted by Jerry Cleveland giving him his last name which was the same name of the city where he grew up, Cleveland, Ohio.

Jon graduated from Concordia University in Portland and accepted his first call as Director of Christian Education at Trinity Lutheran Church in Portland where he served almost twenty years. He also attended classes at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri.

In March 2009 Jon was installed as the Director of Christian Education at Trinity Lutheran Church in Gardnerville, Nevada. He was a member of the Board for Black Ministry Services of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

Jon was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his three daughters – Myeshia of Eugene, OR; Rochelle and Ebony of Minden, NV; two brothers – Henry and Jerry; three sisters – Vicki, Stracey and Stacey; stepfather Everett Brown; his ex-wife Rosalind of Portland and a host of nephews and nieces.

A funeral service was held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Gardnerville on Thursday, January 21.

A Celebration of Jon's Life will be held on Saturday January 30th at 1 pm, Concordia University Gym, 6430 NE 27th in Portland, where Jon played basketball and assisted with the A.C. Green's annual basketball camp.

Arrangements by Finley-Sunset Hills Mortuary.

Community Leader Remembered Bobbi Gary



A service for Bobbi Gary who passed peacefully on Jan. 7, 2010, was held Jan. 19 at Mt. Olivet Baptist Church.

She was born on Dec. 25, 1923 in Muskogee, Okla., the youngest of five children born to Edna Mae (McCormick) Mosley and Whaley Mosley. The family relocated to Kansas City, Mo. After graduating from Booker T. Washington High School, she began to show the spirit and boldness that she came to be known for, announcing to her family her intention to "go west" to attend business school.

After arriving in Oregon, she quickly landed a job at the bustling Kaiser Shipyards as a tool marker and became an active participant in the development of women's programs in the Vanport community, now known as Delta Park.

Before too long, she caught the eye of a fine, young Tuskegee man, Frederick Douglas Gary, Jr., and their courtship led to a marriage that lasted for nearly 30 years. They had one son who died in infancy, then four daughters.

Pride in her race, a sense of responsibility for children and families and social justice for all were her guiding principles. Her resume is a roll call of diverse community, state and national affiliations that included the board of directors for the Portland Metropolitan Steering Committee; Portland's War on Poverty program; and the board of the Black United Fund of Oregon. She was a member of the Black United Front, and the first black female president of a Portland Public Schools PTA [Eliot School, now the Young Women's Leadership Academy].

She was served on boards for Church Women United, Homeland Missions, Older Women's League; McKenzie River Gathering Foundation, Portland Gray Panthers, and National Gray Panthers. She was Oregon Mother of the Year 1st runner-up in 1986, and chair of the Oregon Office of Long-Term Care Ombudsman; and member of the National Association of Black Social Workers.

She was proud of the many rallies she attended for women's rights, workers rights, and quality public education, and loved to recall the number of times she was arrested outside the South African Consulate for protesting apartheid.

Bobbi Gary's constant quest for knowledge led her to return to school in the early 70's, and she proudly received her degree from Portland State University in the School of Social Work. She took graduate courses specializing in black gerontology, studying black aging.

Her work history included employment as an Oregon State Extension agent assisting low-income families with financial planning and access to resources. She combined social service and activism while serving as an assistant director of LIFE Center, as a case worker at the Urban League's Multicultural Senior Center; as a volunteer coordinator of the Marie Smith Center of Volunteers of America, and sitting on numerous boards and community committees.

She leaves to mourn her memory her daughters, Sharon Gary-Smith of Portland; Carla Gary, of Eugene; Linda Gary, Portland; and Daria Bradford of Vancouver; four granddaughters, five great granddaughters; two special "daughters", Gloria J. Fluker and LaVerne Springer-Green, and three special "sons", Robert Boyer, Thomas Eugene Miller, and Dennis G. Payne, as well as a host of other family and friends.

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It's Time to Awaken Your Miracle!

Join us for an anointed Miracle Service! Come and receive your Miracle and your breakthrough! GOD WILL DO IT AGAIN IN 2010!

Friday, January 29th at 7pm

**New Song Community Center
2511 NE MLK Blvd.**

Corner of NE MLK Blvd and Russell Street
Infant and Toddler care will be provided. Doors open at 6pm for every service

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