

## Obituary of *Edward Anthony Churchill*

EDWARD ANTHONY CHURCHILL, born March 3, 1926 in Louisville, Kentucky, departed this life on Saturday, December 16, 2017. He was the oldest son of Joseph and Ellen Churchill.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Mary Ann Churchill (Burks); son Eric Churchill; brother Vincent Churchill; sister Mary Ann Williams; and sister, Yvonne Churchill.

Edward was a graduate of Catholic Colored High School. After leaving High School he attended Louisville Municipal College studying medicine.

At an early age Edward was baptized at St. Augustine Church, was an altar boy there and has been a long standing and devoted member. He was also a member of The Knights of St. Peter Claver and The Men's Club.

Edward was joined in Holy Matrimony to Mary Ann Burks on June 2, 1944 and shared 58 years of happiness until she was deceased in 2000.

He also served as a Montford Point Marine and was flown to Washington, DC to receive The Congressional Medal Of Honour.

He was a member of The Knights of Columbus and was the first African American 4th Degree Knight.

Edward worked fourteen years at The Post Office, and retired from Brown Forman Distillery where over the years became the first African American Vice President of Special Marketing.

He was a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, a founding member of the Yearlings Club and later a member of the Epicurian Club. He also received multiple awards for his vast contributions to the African American Community and beyond.

Edward leaves to cherish his memory his son Tony Churchill; two daughters, Phyllis Myers, and Candus Churchill-Say (David); sister, Laverne Cole; brother, John Churchill (Genevieve); sister, Teresa Hines; six grandchildren; five great grandchildren; two great, great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews and additional family and friends.

*Edward Churchill was an extraordinary,  
one of a kind person and beautiful soul.*

*We will all miss him forever  
and he will be forever in our hearts.*