OBITUARIES

Rufus Morgan Gardner

Services were held for Baltimore native Rufus Morgan Gardner at the St. Edwards Roman Catholic Church on June 28. Born, May 26, 1923, Mr. Gardner died on June 24 after a brief illness.

Educated in the Baltimore City Public School System, Gardner was employed by the Glenn L. Martin Company. On December 29, 1945, Mr. Gardner was honorably discharged from the United States Army.

After 20 years of dedicated service to the National Institute of Health in Bethesda, Maryland, Gardner retired in 1963.

While a member of St. Edward's Catholic Church, Gardner was endeared to many friends by his love of knowledge, willingness to share his possessions and concern for others.

Left to cherish his memory

Rufus Morgan Gardner

are: his wife, Virginia Francois Gardner; four sisters, Alma Antononi, Ruby D. Carroll, Vivian S. Gardner and Bernice A. Mooney; two brothers, Paul C. Gardner and Vernon S. Gardner; and many other relatives and friends.

Ralph Brown

Ralph Brown, born on June 17, 1950 was eulogized on June 26 at the March Funeral Home-West.

A graduate of Edmondson Senior High School in 1969, Brown was inducted into the United States Army where he proudly served for two years. In 1976, he joined the National Guard and was an active member until his death.

From 1972 to 1978, Brown was employed by the United States Postal Service and later began a career in Civil Engineering and Construction Technology.

At the time of his death, he was in the final stages of inspecting the construction defects associated with a multi-million dollar condominium complex consisting of 450 homes.

Brown joined Perkins Square Baptist Church and also attended the church school.

Ralph Brown

He leaves to mourn: two daughters, Keena Allego Brown and Karisa Yolanda Brown; one son, Kareem Ralph Brown; two sisters, Barbara A. Brooks and Lorraine Brown; four brothers, John A. Brown, III, Lonnie Lee Brown, Ricky Charles and Wayne Brown; parents, John and Essie Brown; and numerous friends and relatives.

Mrs. Cherry Louise Harding

Cherry Louise Harding, born in Halifax, NC on March 11, 1928 died on June 22 at Baltimore County Hospital.

In North Carolina, Mrs. Harding attended school, graduating from the Halifax Training School, and was a member of the Smith Baptist Church.

After moving to Baltimore at age 19, she was employed by Westinghouse in 1966 until her health began to fail.

At the Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, Mrs. Harding worked since 1947 in the Sunday School, served as secretary for the building fund, treasurer for the Vocal Choir and financial secretary for the Missionary Society.

She met and married Robert Marshall in 1948 and later was married to Theart-trust Goins.

Mrs. Harding was a friend who was never tired of giving her love and assistance to

Mrs. Cherry Louise Harding

everyone, and was always willing to work for the Lord in any capacity asked of her.

She leaves to mourn four sons, Robert Marshall, Jr., Thealuevond Goins, Michael Goins and Shelton Goins; two daughters, Sandra Marshall and Nuncita Cherry; mother, Geneva Demory; four brothers; one sister and many relatives and friends.

Mrs. Ida Margarite Briscoe

Ida Margarite Briscoe born on March 2, 1907 died on June 23, 1988 after a lengthy illness.

Born in St. Mary's county, Mrs. Briscoe was retired from the Social Security Administration after 30 years of service. A devoted Christian with unwavering faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, she was a member of Ames United Methodist Church and sang on the Gospel and Sanctuary Choirs.

Her generous nature and good cheer touched everyone she knew. Mrs. Briscoe contributed to the development of the lives of those she loved.

She leaves to mourn: a son,

Ms. Ida M. Briscoe

daughter-in-law, five grandchildren, and many friends and relatives.

Robert Lee Brandon, Sr.

Funeral Services were held on June 25 for Robert Lee Brandon, Sr., who died on June 22 after a lengthy illness.

Receiving his education in Tesswell County, NC, Brandon attended church at an early age. He married Jessie Lester and made numerous friends wherever he went and was a devoted family man.

Left to cherish his memory are: his children, Sally, Ivory, Eleanore, Delores, Bernice, Diana, Joyce, James, Robert and Charles; one sister, one brother, thirty-one grandchildren, ten great grand-

Robert Brandon, Sr.

children, and many other friends and relatives.

Mrs. Madeline Martin

Services were held on June 27 at Grace A.M.E. Church in Catonsville for Mrs. Madeline Martin, born in Upland West Virginia died June 23.

After attending the public schools in Upland, she relocated at Catonsville in the early 1950's.

She leaves to mourn three children, Gloria Lee Martin, Theodore Martin, Jr., and Alfred Wayne Webb, Sr.; a loving friend, Overture Webb; five grandchildren;

Three sisters and one brother, Lydia Nora Okedas of Baltimore, Beauty

Mrs. Madeline Martin

Suevenia Dewberry Porter of Dayton, Ohio, Icy Joy Porter and Jonah E. Porter of Matoka, West Virgina and many other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Jeanette I. Lee

Mrs. Jeanette I. Lee was born on December 17, 1930, died on June 22 and was eulogized on June 27 at the First Mount Calvary Baptist Church.

Born in Baltimore, Mrs. Lee joined Grace A.M.E. Baptist Church in Catonsville and was educated at Banner High School. She was employed at Hat Factory for 20 years and later at the A & P Bakery for 14 years.

Mrs. Lee met, and later married Albert Moybin in 1950, later she married Willie F. Lee in 1964. Her loving kindness will be remembered by many.

She leaves to cherish her

Mrs. Jeanette I. Lee

memory: her husband, Willie Lee; two daughters, Aurelia and Janet; one son, Kerwin; mother, Ida Burgin; one sister, Mamie; two brothers, William and Thomas and a host of friends and relatives.

Birven Hezekiah Key, Jr.

Birven Hezekiah Key, Jr. born on May 9, 1917 in Isle of Wight County, Smithfield, Virginia died June 23 and was eulogized on June 26 at the March Funeral Home-East.

Key received his education in the public schools of Smithfield, VA and was an employee of Bethlehem Steel for 30 years.

In Virginia, he attended the Sandy Mount Church and later joined Faith Baptist Church in Baltimore in 1944. He recently joined the Jehovah's Witnesses faith.

He leaves to mourn: two daughters, Jean Watson and Jenette Key; a son, Ray Key;

Birven Hezekiah Key, Jr.

seven grandchildren; two great grandchildren; six sisters, two brothers and numerous relatives and friends.

Singleton Carroll Valentine

Singleton Carroll Valentine, (Bud), was eulogized June 28 at the Nutter Funeral Homes, Inc.

Born September 2, 1923, in Baltimore, Valentine, died on June 23. A graduate from the Baltimore Public School System, served honorably in the U.S. Army. After being discharged, he devoted his full attention to being a husband and father.

An avid sports fan, Valentine enjoyed football, baseball and also read and loved horses.

Survivors include: three sisters, Vashti Brooks, Margaret Peck and Raven Valentine; one brother,

Singleton Carroll Valentine

Lawrence Valentine; one daughter, Carole Anderson and numerous relatives and friends.

Rev. Samuel Gandy, noted religious leader, teacher

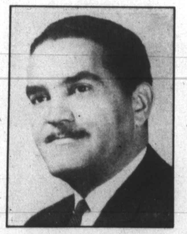
By Lanier Covington
AFRO Staff Writer

Rev. Dr. Samuel Lucius Gandy, celebrated dean of religion at several colleges and powerful religious instructor, died Thursday, June 23 and was buried June 29 from the Andrew Rankin Memorial Chapel on the campus of Howard University with Rev. Dr. Evans E. Crawford, dean of the chapel, officiating.

Dr. Gandy, a native of Greenville, S.C., was one of ten children born from the union of Rev. Charles Francis Gandy, Sr. and Mrs. Belle Victoria Brock Gandy, a graduate of South Carolina State College, the Howard University School of Religion, recipient of the Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of Chicago and a honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Ursinus College.

He served at Fisk University as assistant Dean of Men and Assistant to the Dean of the Chapel, at Virginia State College as Director of Religious Activities and Professor of Religion and Philosophy, at Dillard University as Dean of Lawless Memorial Chapel and Professor of Religion and Philosophy.

In 1964 he came to Howard University as Professor of Religion and Personality and assumed the Deanship of the



REV. SAMUEL GANDY

School of Religion until 1974 when he returned to fulltime teaching.

Dr. Gandy was widely active in the university community and in the nation's cultural and religious affairs with experience as a visiting lecturer and preacher.

His knowledge and training enabled him to successfully serve on the board of directors of the Council of Churches of Greater Washington, the WETA Channel 26 Public Television Station, the National Conference of Christians and Jews, the Educational Communication Association, the Society for Religious Organization Management and the advisory board of the District of Columbia Mental Health Association.

Dr. Gandy edited two books dealing with the lives and writings of two outstanding religious leaders Rev. Dr. Howard Thurman, former dean of the Howard University School of Religion, and Rev. Dr. Vernon Johns and authored many articles on the problems of our youth and the Urban Ministry.

His works were included in the religious teachings at many universities and colleges.

He was a founder and past-president of the National Association of College and University Chaplains as well as instrumental in establishing the Urban Institute for Religious Studies, an adult-continuing education for local religious communities. His retirement in June of 1986 culminated 22 years of dedicated service at Howard University.

Dr. Gandy is survived by his wife, Mrs. Frances Williams Gandy; four sisters, Alma G. Love, Helene G. Lenhardt, Theodosia G. Johnson and Ruth G. Washington; two brothers, David Conrad Gandy and William Sloan Gandy; a stepmother, Mrs. Lonma Davis Gandy; one sister-in-law and two brothers-in-law.

Interment, arranged by the McGuire Funeral Home, was held in Rock Creek Cemetery.

Jonathan Loris Eugene, 70 H.U. power plant executive

By Lanier Covington
AFRO Staff Writer

Jonathan Loris Eugene, a licensed first class steam engineer, a veteran of the U.S. Navy, a school teacher and a strong civic leader, died Thursday, June 23 and was buried from the Takoma Park Baptist Church, Piney Branch Road and Aspen St., NW, on Tuesday, June 28 with the Rev. Joseph M. Smith officiating.

He was born March 1, 1918 the second son of Carlton and Ella W. Eugene in Beaumont, Texas where he attended the public schools before receiving his technical training at Hampton Institute, Hampton, VA. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II from 1942 to 1945. Upon receiving an honorable discharge he came to Washington, D.C. and worked for two years at the old Freedman's Hospital (now H.U. Hospital).

From 1947 until 1978, when he retired, he was licensed first class team engineer at the Howard University Power Plant. He then began a second career as an engineer-consultant to local and national groups. From 1981 until 1987 Jonathan taught steam engineering (sixth class) at the Bell Adult Career Development Center's Evening School.

On June 29, 1957 he married Elinor Felton and the two became proud parents of twins, a daughter, Carla and son Carlton. Always interested in improving recreational and educational opportunities for young people he joined the Board of Management of the 12th Street Branch Y.M.C.A. serving as board chairman from 1968 to 1972.

One of his last official achievements as board chairman was initiating a change in the name of the "Y" from the 12th Street Branch to the Anthony Bowen Branch.

Mr. Eugene remained on the board until 1975 after receiving numerous citations and awards including being named as the Metropolitan Washington YMCA Leader of the Year in 1965. In 1969 he was elected to the Board of Trustees of the Junior Citizens Corps, Inc. and served two terms as president of the board, 1969 to 1971 and 1977 to 1980.

From 1967 until 1974 he was a member of the Uptown Progress Committee, a community group organized to promote the economic development of Upper George Avenue, NW, and served as its secretary in 1974. In 1977 Mr. Eugene was appointed to the District of Columbia Steam Operating Engineers' Board by then Mayor Walter Washington.

In 1984 "He," as he was known to his friends, joined the Capital Hill Club of Kiwanis International, subsequently becoming a life member and was serving as the club's president at the time of his death.

Mrs. Rosa Mae Mason

Funeral services were held on June 29 for Rosa Mae Mason at the Faith Baptist Church. Born on August 17, 1911 in Greenbay, VA, Mrs. Mason died suddenly on June 25.

Attending school in Greenbay, Mrs. Mason was baptized at the Levi Baptist Church in Greenbay. After moving to Baltimore, she joined Faith Baptist Church on November 20, 1932 and was a faithful member.

She married Clyde Alfonso Mason, Sr. on June 6, 1936 and was employed in the Baltimore City Public Schools at Southern High School as a pastry cook for thirty years.

She was a faithful worker, and loved by her co-workers and family.

Survivors include: husband, Clyde Alfonso Mason, Sr.; daughter, Dorothy Jean Adams; son, Clyde Alfonso Mason, Jr.,; three grandchildren, Melissa Mason, Clyde Alfonso Mason, III and Frank William Adams, Jr., and many other friends and relatives.

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

BBA rolls into its second week action

Fred Lindsey
AFRO Sports Writer

At the end of the second week in the BBA (Baltimore Basketball Association), Sam Cassell (BBA HS Stars) has emerged as the scoring leader of the league with 74 points in four games for an 18.5 average.

He is closely followed by Kirk Lee (Murray's Fuel Oil) with 69 points and James Dantzler (Charm City Blazers) with a total of 65 points.

The top teams in the league are Murrays Fuel Oil leading the East Division with a 4-0 record. The Walbrook Stars and Harris Hawks are tied with 3-0 to lead the West Division.

Murrays Fuel Oil is showing early signs of being the class of the BBA. They are loaded with talent.

With such standouts as Frank James, Cleveland Rudisill, Kenny Jackson and Kirk Lee, Murray's Fuel Oil appears destined to add another crown to their growing collection.

Winning championships in the Philadelphia Baker's Tournament, the Baltimore City-Wide Parks and Recreation Tournament and the Maryland State Games the BBA title appears to be only a slam dunk away.

Fred Shelton's Walbrook Stars, a team of BBA veterans, including Deron Lilly, Greg Vaughn and Al Coates makes up a solid team in the West but the indication are that they will have to go some to beat Murrays.

Last year's BBA Champs, Cloverdale A/C, at the bottom of their division, is suffering through the worst start in the history of the BBA, and the word is that Pat McKinley needs help.

In the 30 and Older Senior League, Jane MacMurray and Sandtown are making their presence felt. As the only woman coach in the league, she is claiming that everybody has got to come to her.

"Cecil," last years winners, "is old and run down," MacMurray says. Both are leading their league with 2-0 marks.

BBA Top Ten Scorers

	Points	Team
Sam Cassell	74	BBA HS Stars
Kirk Lee	69	Murrays Fuel Oil
James Dantzler	65	Charm City Blazers
Frank James, Jr.	61	Murrays Fuel Oil
Tyrone Brown	61	Hope All Stars
Sly Wilson	57	Murrays Fuel Oil
Craig Tyson	57	BBA HS Stars
T. McCrea	56	Myrtle Ave.
Al Coats, Jr.	56	Walbrook Stars
Greg Vaughn	56	Walbrook Stars

BBA STANDINGS

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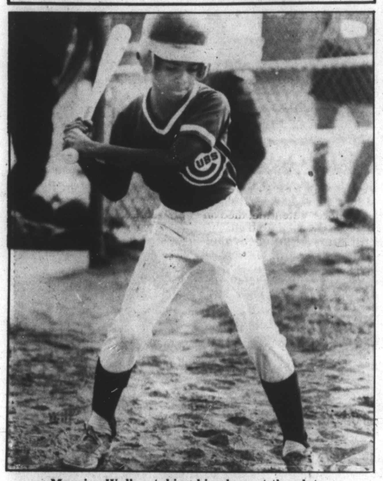
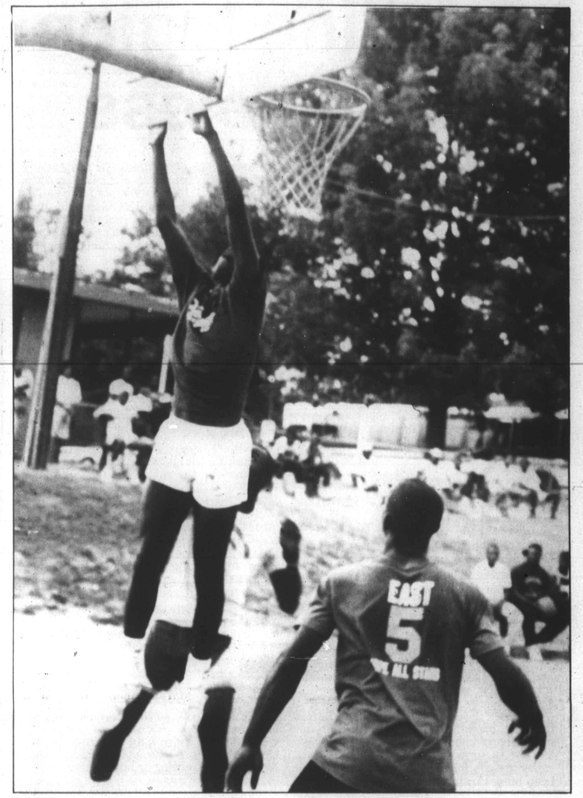
WEST		
Walbrook Stars	3	0
Harris Hawks	3	0
Peter Drew	2	1
Foxes' Den	1	2
Cloverdale A/C	0	3
Myrtle Ave. Crusaders	0	3
EAST		
Murrays Fuel Oil	4	0
Charm City Blazers	3	1
BBA High School Stars	2	2
Fred Wrights Stars	2	2
Family Stars	1	3
Hope All Stars	1	3
30 and Older Seniors		
Sandtown	2	0
Cecil	2	0
Peter Drew	1	1
Broadway Payne	1	1
Cloverdale A/C	0	2
Ken Sussex Tire Co.	0	2



Maurice Walker taking his place at the plate.

Bennie King unloading his famous fast ball.



BBA action promises to get as hot as the summer heat.

Youth games teams selected

Fred Lindsey
AFRO Sports Writer

"Putting the final pieces together," is the way Dorothy Wiltshire described her job as U.S. Youth Game Coordinator for the City of Baltimore.

Having completed the final process for team selections, "Ms. Bunny," as she is affectionately called is continuing her efforts to ensure that 73 participants for six sports have all they need to compete in the 1988 United States Youth Games, held this year in Paterson, New Jersey.

Beginning in 1966, in New York City with three competing cities, this 22nd annual event has received worldwide acclaim, but is best recognized for its "exceptional enrichment experience," where nearly 800,000 youth participants have tried to be a part of its success since its inception.

For Baltimore City, the United States Youth Games have been occasions for unqualified excellence.

"Comparatively, Baltimore City has done very well," Wiltshire explains. "We have always tried to be competive."

With the exception of the bowling team and tennis player David Holland, few kids are returning from last year, but Wiltshire doesn't appear to be upset by it.

"We have high expectations," Wiltshire said, "and we fully anticipate to be in the top three when the Games end. I am loaded with confidence."

Based on last year's performance, Wiltshire's anticipation should not be doubted.

"We finished first in boys basketball; third in volleyball; second in swimming; second in bowling; fifth in girls track and seventh in boys track out of 16 teams," Wiltshire said, "and we expect to do even better this year."

Considering the competion from Atlanta, GA.; Philadelphia, Pa.; New York City; Houston, Texas; Detroit, Michigan and several other cities, Wiltshire exudes assurance.

"It is not so much a boast," Wiltshire notes, "but its faith in my coaches. With the caliber of coaching we have, I can only think positive."

The games that combine athletic events and the promotion of positive citizenship will be held August 1-7, at the William Paterson College of New Jersey.

The 1988 Baltimore City U.S. Youth Game Representatives are listed by sport.

Bowling
(Coaches— Bob and Meri Mallette)
Chante Nelson
David Mize
Dianna Chemelli
Chad Nelson
Tina Daugherty
James Stone
Girls Basketball
(Coach — Wardell Selby)
Dana Chambers
Kisha Ford
Afriqiydh Woods
Yolanda Matthews
Dana Johnson
Tonya Harlee
Erika Dailey
Samadhi Martin
Jacqueline Shilkins
Tina Fauntleroy
Boys Basketball
(Coach — William Wells)
Donti Bright
Michael Lloyd, Jr.
Zeke Marshall
Kevin Washington
Darrin Jones
Terrance Alexander
Rodney Beasley
Tony Jenkins
Lennox Brown
Paul Banks
Swimming (Coach — Teddy Murray)
Jennifer Murach
Dian Kunze
Yah Yah Gason
Maria Karalius
Kenneth Benedict
Jason Werner
Tennis (Coaches — Tyron Diggs and Portia Harris)
Aliya Stancil
Onetta Jackson
Timothy Spielman
Savonne Ferguson
Bertram McKeithen
David Holland
Track and Field

(Coach — Ralph Durant)
Boys 9-11
Dante Palmer
Derrick Smith
Micah Ramseur
Brian Harold
12-13
James Marrow
Benjamin Braswell
Anthony Stuckey
Jeffrey Fisher
14-15
Ronald Drummond
Remy Theara Chhim
Merion Ward
Korey Singleton
Frank Thompson

Girls 9-11
Mildreana Robbins
LaQuinta Dickerson
Melissa Singleton
Stacey Thomas
12-13
Jasmine Benjamin
Alicia Brown
Ebony Wingate
Elizabeth Banks
14-15
Ysaha Wilson
Shelley Lowman
Ernesta Toney
Christa Dorsey
Kim Faulkner
Volleyball
(Coach — Phyllis Berger)
Henry Kayser
Richard Williams
Monica Halliday
Denise Lowery
Michael Smith
Keith Booth
Gwynevere Dales
Yolanda Pearman

Forest Park Little League

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Over the past week, the Forest Park Little League has been involved in most post season tournaments.

One such activity was the South Baltimore Little League Invitation Tournament for nine year olds at the Robbie Schatt Memorial Field in South Baltimore.

Representing Forest Park was a collection of traveling all-stars coached by Bryan Gould and his assistants Benjamin King, Wayne Frazier and Ronald Frierson.

Coaches and players expressed some anxiety about the tournament, but all acknowledged that they were happy to be included.

"We feel that this team will do well, Frierson said, "but we didn't really have adequate time to prepare. We accepted the invitation at the last moment; however, we view this as another opportunity to show the Baltimore community what kind of players we are developing."

The Tournament, and idea of Tom Fortman, acting as its first director, also had Riveria Beach, Marley and South Baltimore competing and if deemed successful it will expand to comprise eight year olds next year.

"When I was in Williamport, Pa. (Home of Little League Baseball), I noticed that most of the competition was for 14-15 year olds," Fortman said;

"And that there was nothing for the younger kids, so I decided to try a nine-year old tournament to see if it would work, and if it goes right, it will be bigger and better next year."

The four-team, round-robin tournament will have the best two teams, based on "head-to-head" competition play for the championship and Forest Park has an excellent chance of winning it all.

"We have a lot of talent," Frierson said, "especially at the clinic level (youngest players). This tournament will help them and we are expecting great things from them next year as they move up to the next level.

There isn't any reason why we can't take this championship and use its momentum for next season."