



**PASTOR BARCUS  
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Celebration of Life

Sunrise: August 17, 1941—

Sunset: November 20, 2009

The air was crisp billowing against the classic single family home that sat between the glorious wide green yard and the flourishing vegetable garden. A homemade swing swayed easily on the massive pine tree in Crocket Texas, the hometown of Pastor Adams.

Pastor Adams, the first child and son of Wallace Adams and Rosa Stewart-Douglass was born August 17, 1941. The valiant child cherished caring for his four siblings. In a fit of creativity he once turned the cornbread dressing green for the family dinner. As an educator, he taught his little brother, Edgar, how to shine shoes at LA Parker's Shoe Shop charging \$.25 a pair. Often times he would use his money to buy things for the family and of course, his favorite candy; peanut brittle. His mother encouraged and embraced his vision.

lated to several institutions of higher education which include Prairie View A&M University, San Antonio College, Denver University's College of Business Administration, Rock Mount Bible College, and International Bible College in Fort Collins, Colorado. His military education included Officer's Candidate School, Medical Corpsman School, emergency medical training, pharmacy training and data processing.

Alongside his life's journey stood his wife, Joyce. Their marriage of thirty-eight years was one full of love, devotion and tenderness. Joyce was a strong bold witness for the Lord and a loyal wife to her 'Lil Red Rooster'. In 1980 Barcus and Joyce were blessed with their only child, Sean Birdine -The name Birdine, comes from Barcus' grandfather that is carried through Sean and his son, Tariq. Joyce was called to the loving embrace of the Lord in 2002 just days before celebrating her 38th wedding anniversary to Barcus.

Pastor Adams enjoyed a rich compelling life and commanded attention by his vast stature and compassionate demeanor. He extended his love and service by helping others in need. He enjoyed watching sports as he once was a Tackle for the Ralph J. Bunch High School football team. In addition to his enthusiasm of sports, Pastor Adams was also, an avid playing piano player and reader. His renowned mathematical dexterity aided in a mean domino game.

God called his true soldier home on November 20, 2009. Today we rejoice in the knowledge that he has passed the barrier of time, as we know he is forever at home with his

The sanctity of the warmth Pastor Adams felt in the family fashioned the goodness within him. He came from a family of avid servant leaders of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ under the tutelage of their missionary mother by faithfully attending Crockett's Miles Chapel CME. He was called to serve the Lord at the young age of six. Yet at his own admission, he did not respond to the calling for many years. It was surviving Vietnam when he promised the Lord, "When you bring me back to the States, I will serve you faithfully". After coming back from the war he retired as Captain with a Bronze Star from the United States Army. In fulfilling his promise to the Lord he accepted his calling to the ministry. Pastor Adams' first sermon was at Pilgrim Rest in 1979. At Pilgrim Rest he rose through the ranks from Director of Christian Education to Executive Assistant. A year later, 1980, Pastor Adams founded Mt. Moriah Baptist Church where he served as pastor for more than 23 years.

The Texas native had an insatiable hunger for knowledge. Pastor Adams received his Masters in Religious Education and Bachelor of Theology from United Theology Seminary in Monroe, Louisiana. He matricu-

Saviour Jesus Christ, whom he faithfully served.

Pastor Adams' Celebration of Life service begin at 10:00 a.m. Monday November 30th at Friendship Baptist Church, 880 Fairfax Street in Denver. The military service begin at 2:00 p.m. at Fort Logan National Cemetery where Pastor Adams will rest with his beloved wife, Joyce.

Pastor Adams leaves to cherish his memories and to continue his legacy: son Sean B. Adams (Ashlee); grandchildren Tariq Adams, Halia Adams; siblings Nancy L. Givens, of Austin, Joe Ruth George, of Dallas, Edgar A. Williams (Dorothy), of Dallas, Dr. Thelma J. Douglass, of Houston, Velma Adams, of New Braunfels, Ruth Ella Robertson (Jody), of Eden, NC, Margaret Matthews (Joseph), of Fall Church, Va. and Patricia Faye Taylor, of San Antonio; a host of nephews, nieces, in-laws, cousins, godchildren and friends.

