



Lawrence Clifton Shoto "Larry"

July 12, 2017

Lawrence Clifton Shoto "Larry" died unexpectedly on July 12, 2017 in Toledo, Ohio at the age of 83.

Larry is survived by his wife, Dorothy France Shoto, of Toledo, Ohio; his daughter, Lorraine C. Shoto, of Chicago, Illinois; sister-in-law Alberta Shoto, of Jackson, Mississippi; and dearly loved nieces, nephews and step-children.

Larry was born on September 25, 1933 in Jackson, Mississippi, to Henry R. Shoto and Hester Tennon Shoto. Larry graduated from Jackson State University in 1959 with a Bachelor of Arts degree, and from Eastern Michigan University in 1974 with a Master of Science degree. Larry worked as a school teacher and coach for 31 years, including in the Spencer Sharples Local School District, where he was a beloved and winning basketball coach. In Toledo Public Schools, Larry taught science and coached basketball and track and field until his retirement in 1992. Larry and late wife, Ethel Matten Shoto, were married for 36 years, until her death in 2003. Their only daughter, Lorraine C. Shoto, is an attorney in Chicago, Illinois. In 2014, Larry re-married to Dorothy France Shoto, formerly of Detroit, Michigan.

Larry was a member of Third Baptist Church, where he served as a Deacon and usher. Larry also shared his talent for singing as a long-time member of both his church choir and Toledo's David Carter Symphonic Choir.

He was a Life Member of the Alpha Xi Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Until the time of his death Larry was an active volunteer at Alpha Towers Senior Housing.

Visitation is scheduled for Wednesday, July 19, 2017 at Dale-Riggs Funeral Home from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m., wake services 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 20, 2017 at Third Baptist Church, immediately followed by funeral services at 11:00 a.m., Rev. Dr. K. David Johnson pastor, interment Forest Cemetery. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Larry's life. Condolences can be sent to (URL).

Tribute Wall

WG

“ I am a better man because I had Mr. Shoto as an example at Spencer Sharples.

Wayne Green - July 22, 2017 at 07:07 PM

LS

Dad truly loved his Spencer Sharples family. Thank you.

Lorraine Shoto

Lorraine Shoto - July 24, 2017 at 08:01 PM

QH

“ Lifting your family in prayer, we send our heart felt condolences to the Shoto Family from the Hayes Family. Rest In Peace Mr. Shoto, QUENEVA HAYES-HUGHES

Que Hayes-Hughes - July 18, 2017 at 10:22 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lawrence Clifton Shoto "Larry".



July 18, 2017 at 04:33 PM

BW

“ From Coach Ben Williams to the family of Mr. Larry Shoto:

It is rare to find a person that is good all of the time, but Larry was that kind of person. God bless and my deepest condolences to your family from my own. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Ben Williams - July 18, 2017 at 03:24 PM

LS

Thank you, Mr. Williams. Dad so enjoyed working with you and with the Scott basketball program. He loved every moment and thought the world of you.

Lorraine Shoto

Lorraine Shoto - July 24, 2017 at 07:59 PM



“ *Fairest of All* was purchased for the family of Lawrence Clifton Shoto "Larry".



July 18, 2017 at 02:25 PM