

## Obituary

Hershal McBride was born on February 24, 1932 in Saltillo, Mississippi. He was the second child, and the first son, born to the union of Richard and Mable McBride. Lovingly known as "Mac", he attended Saltillo Public Schools and completed his education at Carver High School in Tupelo, Mississippi. As a young man, Mac enlisted and served in the United States Air Force for several years as a jet mechanic during the Korean War.

In 1953, Mac married the love of his life, Essie Mae (Jones) McBride. They relocated to Mt. Clemens where he received an honorable discharge from the United States Air Force and began employment at Ford Motor Company, where he retired after many years.

Mac accepted Christ as his personal Savior and shared his faith walk at Greater Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church before uniting with Tried Stone Missionary Baptist Church as a charter member in September 1980. He served in various ministries until his health began to limit his abilities to physically serve.

Mac and Essie were blessed to raise two children, Richard McBride and Heather McBride-Jefferson.

Throughout his life Mac enjoyed gardening, working on cars, being with his family and, of course, "hitting a couple of blocks".

After working, serving at church and in the community, and proudly being a father and husband, God called Mac to his eternal rest on September 26, 2021.

He leaves to celebrate his life and cherish his memory a loving brother, Charles (Menrose) McBride of Ana, TX; son, Richard McBride and daughter, Heather (Shawn) McBride-Jefferson, both of Mt. Clemens, MI; special daughter, Michelle Ware, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and a multitude of relatives of friends.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Essie McBride, and his siblings Sadara Lathon, Pauline Norris, Virgie Patterson, Ophalean French, Kenneth McBride, John McBride and Eddie McBride.