

Passing of Our Beloved Brother, Michael Bradley

Ki Hoon Kim and Michael Balcomb March 26, 2014

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our beloved brother, Michael J. Bradley, passed into the spirit world on March 15, 2014 in Baltimore, Maryland. He joined the Unification Movement in the 1970's and lived as a kind and loving brother.

Let us support Michael's family during this important time and pray for his victorious transition to a glorious new life in the spiritual world.

Following is a message from his pastors, Rev. James and Tilly Stewart.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Ki Hoon Kim Continental Director

Dr. Michael Balcomb President

Victorious Life of Michael J. Bradley



Michael Bradley joined the Unification Movement in the 1970's and was Blessed at Madison Square Garden in 1982, the same year he graduated from the Unification Theological Seminary in Barrytown, N.Y. He had many missions over the years from MFT to fishing to twenty years working with the Ginseng Up Company.

Michael was nearly 6' 7" tall and well built. Many people remember him as a gentle giant and a kind, loving, and serving brother. He volunteered for and accepted an interracial blessing, which broke after several years. Michael never complained or blamed anyone.

He eventually returned to his hometown of Baltimore to be near his brother and to work in the community. Michael ran as the Republican candidate for a seat on the Baltimore City Council in 2007 and 2011, but lost both times in a city that is eighty percent Democrat.

During the past few years, Michael battled ill health and financial problems, and was unable to participate actively in our community. Since 2012, he had a colostomy bag attached to a hole in his abdomen because a significant portion of his intestines and colon were removed. He became distant from our Movement, although he kept in touch with church friends especially in Pennsylvania, New York and Montana.

Michael's passing was a surprise. No one in our community knew he was in the hospital, and he passed away without one of us being there with him. His last wish was for his body to be donated to science, and his brother and sister honored his wish.

Seonghwa Service

The Baltimore Family Church will conduct a Seonghwa Service for Michael at 11:00 AM on Sunday, March 30, 2014 at 5 Terrace Dale, Towson, MD. For more information, please e-mail James Stewart .

Michael's family will hold a memorial service for him from 2:00 to 4:00 PM on Saturday, April 26, at 5 Terrace Dale, Towson, MD.

Please pray for Michael and remember that there are many brothers and sisters out there who have served and loved True Parents for many years. Some are lost and distant from our community. Some because of health and financial issues find it difficult to stay actively involved without a lot of support. Please take some time as you remember Michael to reach out to each one of them and embrace them into a loving, caring community. Not one person who has loved and served God and True Parents should be lost, or live or pass away alone without the support of a loving community.