## Oscar L. Pinkston CW4, US Army, 1965-1995

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Mr. Oscar L. Pinkston was born on March 26, 1947, to the late Robert J. and Daisy M. Pinkston in Mount Meigs, Alabama. After graduating from Georgia Washington High School in 1965, he joined the United States Army as a Heavy Equipment Mechanic. While in the Army, Mr. Pinkston rose to the rank of Staff Sergeant before attending the Warrant Officer school in Aberdeen, Maryland, and transitioning to Warrant Officer.

After serving his country in two wars (Vietnam and Desert Storm), he retired at the Rank of Chief Warrant Officer Four with numerous medals and citations (Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, and three Army commendation medals to name a few). He remained closely connected to the Armed Forces attending retirement ceremonies and mentoring fellow soldiers that were once under his supervision.

After retiring from the military, Oscar married his longtime friend and "Sweetheart" Rose Pinkston where they began a life journey of love, tears, and laughter that remained until his passing on October 12, 2019. Oscar was a pillar in the community where he was known as a loving husband, father, brother, and friend.

Oscar was a member of Murdock A.M.E Church since early childhood. He was elevated to the sublime position of Worship Master of Tranquil Lodge No. 48 and Myra Chapter No. 41 Order of the Eastern Star. He was a faithful member of the Most Wonderful Prince Hall Grand Lodge F. &A.M. of Alabama as well as Shaaban Temple No. 103.

