



## Columbus Gregory

June 5, 1930 - April 14, 2021

Columbus Gregory age 90 of St. Louis, MO. Loving family member and Hall of Fame Radio Broadcaster.

Columbus Gregory was born on June 5, 1930 to the union of Roosevelt and Bessie Lee Gregory in Forrest City, Arkansas. He was education and graduated from Lincoln High School in Forrest City, Arkansas. He enlisted in the United States Army, served in the Korean war and earned an honorable discharge in 1952. He professed his faith in Christ as a child and lived to serve the Lord his entire life. He was baptized and received the Holy Ghost by Bishop P.L. Scott and was a long-time faithful member at Lively Stone Apostolic Faith Church and was currently a member at Faith Miracle Temple with Bishop Larry J. Baylor.

While attending Hubbards Business College, he started his career as a remote engineer for local well-known greats Dave Dixon and Spider Burks part-time which opened the door for taking his first full time position as a radio announcer at KATZ in 1959. Over the next 65 years, he was blessed to be employed at KATZ, KXLW, KADI, KIRL, KXEN, and WGNU radio broadcast stations. He served the extended metropolitan St. Louis area gospel community seven days a week and all day on Sunday. After Sunday morning bible school and church service, he would return home for dinner and was always right back out the door to make an appearance all across town at afternoon and evening programs.

He loved the Lord and it was apparent in his actions and love for people. His sense of humor would always shine through as he enjoyed greeting everyone in his path. No one was a stranger and he would stop a stranger at the grocery store, doctor's office or on the street to ask them if they were saved and did they know about the goodness of the Lord. He was in the business of bringing you and me to Christ. In his words, "To God be the Glory!"

He served his community and came home to the people he loved the most, his family. His wife, children and his sister's children were always at the center of his heart! His favorite

time was family gatherings and assured it happened at least a couple times a year. At those gatherings, he had no problem challenging you in a game throwing horseshoes or to drop and hit 50 pushups where he would do them easily without losing a breath.

Columbus joined the heavenly hosts on Wednesday, April 14, 2021 due to natural causes. His father, Roosevelt, mother, Bessie Lee and Sister Lottie Mae Cochran preceded him in death. He leaves to cherish his precious memory wife Martha Gregory, sons Christopher Gregory and Craig Gregory and daughters Shirley (Michael) Belt, Diana Nevils (Jessie ), Jeannette (Darryl) Johnson , Savannah (Bruce) Cunningham and Chana Gregory. Also, children Martha (Charles) Harris, Shirley (Kirwin) Roach, Isaac (Lavonne) Robinson, Derrick (Angela) Robinson, Matthew (Meechie) Robinson, David (Tammy) Robinson, Kimberly (Kelvin) Sykes, grand and great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and an endless list of friends in the church and radio community.

# Cemetery

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## National Cemetery - Jefferson Barracks

2900 Sheridan Rd  
St. Louis, MO, 63125

# Events

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**APR 21 Visitation** 04:00PM - 07:00PM

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Archway Memorial Chapel  
111 Taylor Road, Hazelwood, MO, US,  
63042

**APR 22 Visitation** 09:00AM - 10:00AM

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Faith Miracle Temple Church  
870 Pershall Rd, St. Louis, MO, US, 63137

**APR 22 Limited Attendance Funeral Service** 10:00AM

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Faith Miracle Temple Church  
870 Pershall Rd, St. Louis, MO, US, 63137

# Comments

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“ Thank you for all of the many years of gospel music. You were a blessing in many ways.

**KAREN A HALL** - April 27, 2021 at 05:56 PM

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“ I remember when my Uncle Gregory told me I had a voice for radio. I told him I wouldn't know what to say. He just smiled, and said of course you do. His smile could light a room. You will be missed.

Love,

Nikki

**Tamirra Nicole** - April 22, 2021 at 01:16 PM

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“ Uncle Gregory thank you for loving and looking out for us like our own parents did! You were like a second father to us! I cherish you as an uncle, mentor and spiritual leader! You will be missed!

Your niece,  
Christine

**Christine Carter** - April 22, 2021 at 07:50 AM

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“ Such a blessing to have you as my dad! The life lessons and love you gave will be with be forever! I will miss you so very much! Until we meet again, I love you!  
Jeannette



Jeannette Johnson - April 22, 2021 at 07:26 AM

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“ Columbus was a spiritual child of god. I enjoyed having prayer with him he always talked about how good god was he loved the almighty god. we are gonna miss him .God Is Loved Amen.

Floncie Witherspoon - April 22, 2021 at 01:25 PM

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“ Kenneth McGhee lit a candle in memory of Columbus Gregory



Kenneth McGhee - April 20, 2021 at 11:20 PM

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“ When I was growing up in St. Louis Columbus Gregory was synonymous with gospel music. He would go wherever he could to keep soul gospel music on the air. He would sometimes drop by Mid-America Music on Riverview to visit with L.G. Scott and our staff. I was privileged to teach at the music school. That's where I first met Columbus. I pray comfort for his family. He held the banner high for gospel and was faithful in that calling.

Gary Fiorino - April 20, 2021 at 02:04 PM

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“ My condolences and prayers to the family during this transitional season. My first radio interview at 16 was with Columbus Gregory. I never forgot his courteousness, hospitality, and professionalism. God bless.

A Jeffrey LaValley - April 20, 2021 at 11:47 AM

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“ A word of comfort and of hope, that in your deepest sorrow, you will find new strength and peace of mind and courage for tomorrow.” Please know that you are in our prayers.

Sending condolences to the family of Columbus Gregory on behalf of The Lincoln High School - Maroon & Gold National Alumni Association, Inc. (MGNAAI), Forrest City, Arkansas. Columbus was a member of the Lincoln High School Class of 19-- .

Delores Farr Morelon  
MGNAAI President



Delores Morelon - April 20, 2021 at 12:51 AM