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John Callion, age 67, of Columbus, Ohio, passed away peacefully on August 26, 2025, surrounded by loved ones, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Born on September 16, 1957, in Columbus, Ohio, to Millicent B. Callion and the late Dr. Raleigh Callion Sr., John lived a life rooted in faith, family, and joy.

He was a devoted husband to Stephanie Callion and a proud father to Ariel (Curtiss) Williams, Domonique (Christina) Callion, Brooklyn (Tavion) Sims, and Mykenzie Ballenger. He was a loving grandfather to Elle and Jahseh, who brought him endless pride and laughter.

John was preceded in death by his father Raleigh Callion Sr., his brother Dr. Raleigh Callion Jr., his grandmother Edna C. Butler, and his uncle Dr. Adam T. McDaniel.

He is survived by his beloved wife, his children and grandchildren, his mother Millicent B. Callion, his sister Madelyn M. Callion, his Aunt & Godmother Lois McDaniel, Cousins Honorable Fredric McDaniel (Neils), Jenita (Michael) Lythcott and a host of extended family and friends who will deeply miss his presence.

A true man of faith, John was deeply involved in his home church Triumphant Christian Center where he served faithfully in many areas of ministry. John devoted much of his life to serving others. He touched many lives with his kindness, generosity, and love for people.

John's passions reflected his joyful and vibrant spirit. He loved sci-fi and action films, laughing along with Laurel and Hardy, and cheering for the Ohio State Buckeyes. Music was the soundtrack of his life, with favorites including Earth, Wind & Fire, Tony Bennett, Frank Sinatra, Parliament Funkadelic, Gino Vannelli, Stanley Clarke, Brian Culbertson, and gospel artists such as Fred Hammond, Rance Allen, Clint Brown, and Wes Morgan. Known for his warm humor and signature phrase, "Bless your heart," John had a way of making everyone around him smile.



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John's life will be celebrated on what would have been his 68th birthday, September 16, 2025, at 2:00 PM, at Triumphant Christian Center, 904 Thomas Avenue, Columbus, Ohio. To honor John's memory and his favorite color, the family invites guests to wear navy blue—or any shade of blue—as a symbol of love and remembrance.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the family's GoFundMe:

<https://gofund.me/781e43a0>

John will be remembered for his unwavering faith, his laughter, his music, and the countless lives he touched. His love and legacy will live on in the hearts of those who knew him.

“Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.”

John 14:1-3 KJV




Events


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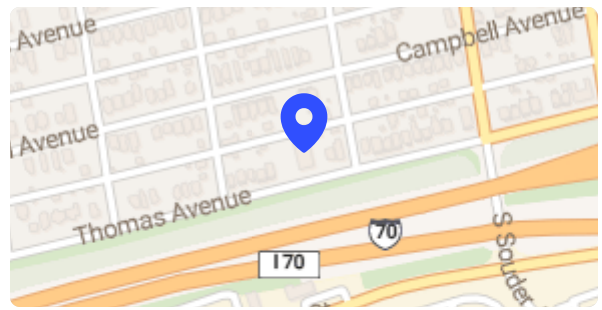
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Celebration of Life

 **Tuesday**, September 16, 2025

 2:00 PM ET

 **Triumphant Christian Center**
904 Thomas Avenue, Columbus OH 43223





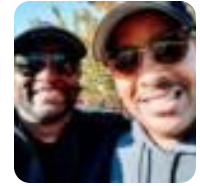
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David L. Nixon shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.



September 18 at 2:43 PM



Dennis Brooks posted:

John was a second father and also an uncle to me. John came into my life as a very young man at the age of 19. John was there for me whenever I needed him especially when father passed away. I will always remember my brother, my friend my uncle my second father. John was the true definition of a God fearing Gentleman! He will be missed beyond words!

September 15 at 2:30 AM



Davin Austin lit a candle in honor of John.

John was like a mentor to me. He bought me a Bible back in 2009 and still have it looks beand new til this day... John ima miss you broady and tell God I said what up KING !



September 12 at 2:39 AM



Debora Morgan lit a candle in honor of John.

September 10 at 12:02 AM



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High school and my neighbor RIP

September 10 at 12:01 AM





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Angeline Austin posted:

To Stephanie and the Callion Family-I share in your loss of a wonderful and caring man of God. He will be sadly and greatly missed by so many who had the fortune and blessing to know him. I remember his smile, helpfulness at church, and his favorite phrase "Bless your heart". That is something that will always render fondly in my memory. God bless you all, and I speak comfort and peace to you and your family in Jesus Name 🙏🌟👤🔄✝️

September 3 at 7:45 PM



Evelyn Willis posted:

John and I go way back. He was my escort to the Starlite Cotillion in December of 1975. Years later he became my supervisor. John was a really good guy. Rest easy now John. You are no longer in pain.

September 2 at 3:25 PM



Noel Thomas posted:

John Callion was not of my generation, he was like a little brother. I would always see him out and about at various events around Columbus. I noticed that he was consistently happy and mature beyond his years. We would have great conversations and shared laughs at crazy things that would occur in public. Although I haven't seen John in years, I was very happy to know that he had found and nurtured a loving family of his own. I know this is what he cherished above all and he will be missed.

August 31 at 11:18 AM



Media

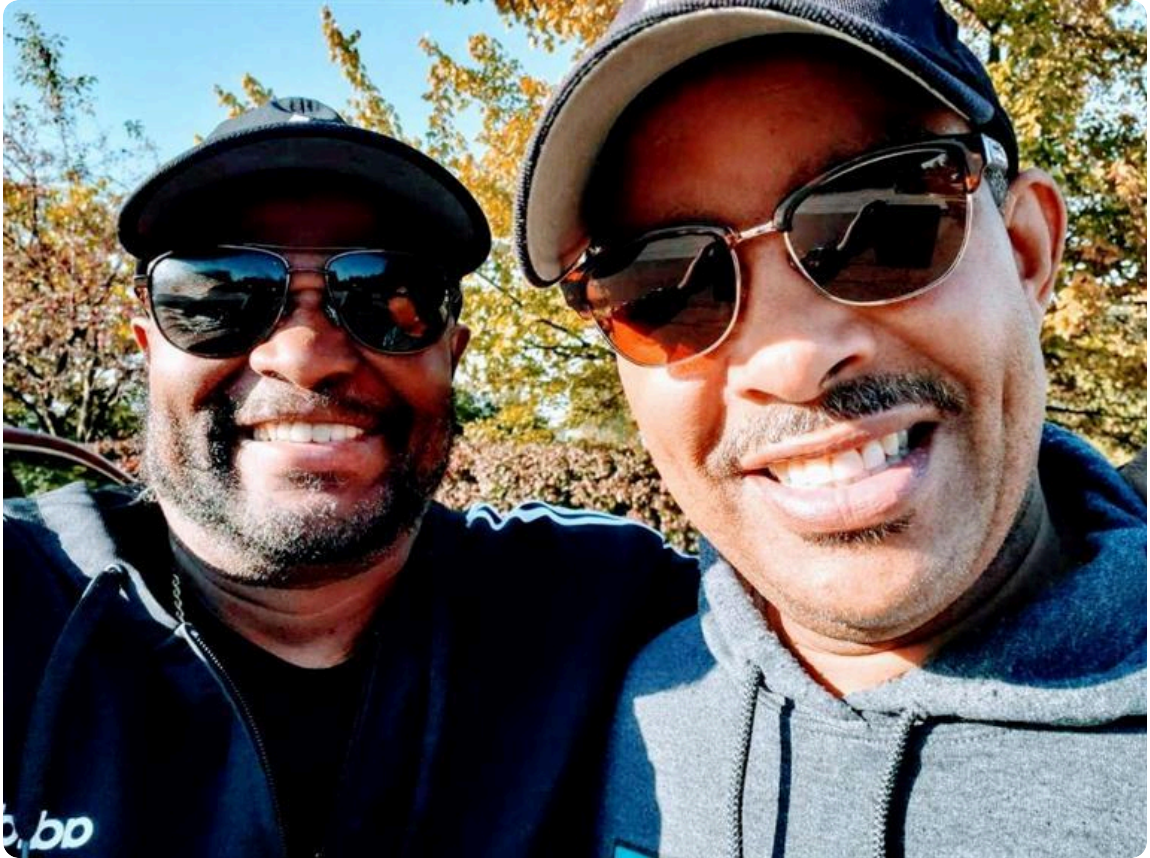
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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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