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— *Interment* —

Forest Lawn Cemetery

— *Auspices* —

BUFFALO MEMORIAL CHAPELS, INC.

66 East Utica Street

Buffalo, New York



— *Pallbearers* —

Members of  
Alpha Kappa Boule



— *Acknowledgments* —

“Perhaps you sent a lovely card,  
or sat quietly in a chair.  
Perhaps you sent a floral piece,  
if so, we saw it there;  
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,  
as only a friend could say;  
Perhaps you were not there at all,  
just thought of us that day;  
Whatever you did to console our hearts  
we thank you so much  
whatever the part,

— The Family

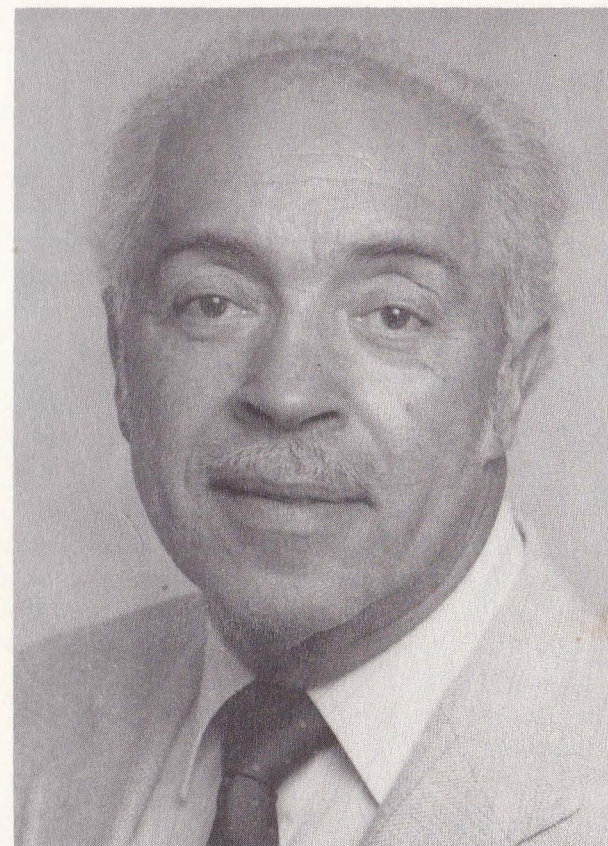
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A Service In Loving Memory  
of

*Dr. Frederick Douglass Gordon*

1921

1994



August 15, 1994  
11:00 a.m.

LINCOLN MEMORIAL UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH  
641 Masten Avenue • Buffalo, New York  
The Rev. Melba V. Chaney, Officiant



## — Obituary —

### Frederick D. Gordon, Dentist, Community Leader

Dr. Frederick D. Gordon, of Buffalo died suddenly on Wednesday, August 10. He was 72.

Frederick Gordon was born in Washington, D.C. and attended Dunbar High School, Howard University, and Howard University Dental School graduating in 1945. Fred was active in sports playing varsity basketball in both high school and college. Upon graduation, he married Mary L. Pitts, his wife of 49 years.

During WW II, Dr. Gordon was active in the Army Dental Corp and attained the rank of Captain. Mary and Fred moved to Albany, New York at this time to start his practice of dentistry. They settled in Buffalo in 1950 where Fred practiced until 1990 when he retired. He served on the Board of Directors of the Eighth District Dental Society and on the Board of Directors of the Erie County Dental Society. He was a life member of the American Dental Association and a longstanding member of the Upstate Medical Alliance.

Fred Gordon was active in both church and civic affairs. Having accepted Christ as his personal saviour at an early age, Gordon joined the Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church shortly after arriving in Buffalo. An active member, he served as Chairman of the Board of Trustees for twelve years. In 1953, Gordon was selected for the Board of Managers of the Humboldt YMCA and served as Chairman for several years before working on the YMCA Metropolitan Board of Trustees. In 1989 he received the "Y"s honor for outstanding service, the Golden Key Award and an award for lifetime Christian service from the Four Disciples.

He was a member of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity and was a charter member of Alpha Kappa Boule, the Buffalo Chapter of Sigma Pi Phi fraternity. Gordon was a life member of NAACP and a life member of the Appomattox Club. An avid golfer for over thirty years, he was a member of Willo-Dell Golf Club and the Bridgewater Country Club. Mary and Fred enjoyed music, the performing arts, and sports.

In addition to his wife, Fred is survived by: Dr. Colleen M. Gordon of Rochester, Frederick D. Gordon, Jr. of Buffalo, Dr. Stephen W. Gordon of Atlanta and David A. Gordon of Buffalo, who remember a loving, active father. He leaves his sisters: Helen G. Quigless of Tarboro, North Carolina, and Ruth G. White of San Mateo, California; six grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; and a host of other relatives and friends.

## — Order of Service —

Prelude.....Mr. Alfred Jarrett

\*Congregational Hymn ..... "How Great Thou Art"  
UM Hymnal 77

Procession of the Family

Scripture Lesson ..... Psalm 139

Solo ..... "The Lord's Prayer"  
Mrs. Lauretta Anderson

Reading of the Obituary ..... Mr. Alan Brown, Jr.

Solo ..... Mrs. Betty Williams

Tributes

Scripture ..... 1 John 3:1-3

Solo ..... Mrs. Betty Williams

Eulogy/Sermon ..... The Rev. Melba Chaney  
"The Integrity of a Man Reveals the  
Nature of His God"

Solo ..... Mrs. Anderson

The Family Processes

