

IN MEMORIAM

Rev. William A. Lawson

06.28.1928 - 05.14.2024



Reverend William Lawson, a cornerstone of Houston's Christian community for over seven decades, has passed away, leaving behind a profound legacy of faith, service, and activism.

Rev. Lawson's journey was marked by a commitment to civil rights, tirelessly advocating for justice and equality. As a spiritual leader, Rev. Lawson founded Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church, one of Houston's largest

and most vibrant churches. However, his leadership extended beyond the pulpit, as he nurtured and mentored generations of believers in his crucial role in the history of the College of Biblical Studies, passionately advocating for the transformative power of biblically-based learning.

Rev. William Lawson's life was a testament to the power of faith in action. His contributions to the Christian community of Houston will be remembered and cherished by all who had the privilege of knowing him. As we mourn his passing, we also celebrate a life richly lived in service to God and humanity.

There will be a Community Service of Celebration at 6 p.m. on Thursday, May 23, 2024, and the Congregational Service of Celebration will be hosted at 11 a.m. on Friday, May 24. Both will take place at Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church, 3826 Wheeler Ave.