

## *A Hero's Welcome*

*By: Robert Longley*

*Time to come home dear brother  
Your tour of duty through  
You've given as much as anyone  
Could be expected to do.  
Just a few steps further  
The smoke will start to clear  
Others here will guide you  
You have no need to fear.  
You have not failed your brothers  
You dearly gave it all  
And through your selfless actions  
Others will hear the call.  
So, take your place of honor  
Among those who have gone before  
And know you will be remembered  
For now, and evermore.*

## *Acknowledgement*

We, the family of Mr. Edward Laroche Blue, would like to express our sincere appreciation and gratitude to all who have shown comforting expressions of love, sympathy, and prayers, during the passing of our loved one. Our hearts will always be grateful for your kindness, as we pray for a special blessing to be bestowed upon each and every one of you.

## **Services Entrusted To:**

### **Taylor Street Chapel**

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*In  
Honor  
of your  
Memory*

*Mr. Edward Laroche Blue*



*Tuesday, January 18, 2022*

*2:00 p.m.*

*Fort Jackson National Cemetery*

*4170 Percival Road  
Columbia, South Carolina*

## *Obituary*

Mr. Edward Laroche Blue was born on October 6, 1925 in Elba, Alabama. He was the son of Arthur Grady Blue, Sr. and Lorene Wynn Blue. He passed away peacefully at home on Friday, January 7, 2022.

Edward attended Elba Colored High School, before joining the United States Navy, serving in WWII. Following his military service, he attended Booker T. Washington Business College in Birmingham, Alabama, and then Bryant College in Smithfield, Rhode Island, to study accounting. In addition to being a self-employed Public Accountant, he worked as a Bank Examiner, and was appointed as the Banking Commissioner for the State of Rhode Island.

After retirement, he made Columbia, South Carolina his home. He was a member of Kathwood Baptist Church, where he served as Treasurer. He was a Big Brother and a respected member of his community. He had a kind and generous heart.

Edward was preceded in death by: his parents, Arthur Grady Blue, Sr. and Lorene Wynn Blue; brothers, Arthur Grady Blue, Jr., Winfred, Darwent, and Clifford; sisters, Helen Blue Scott, Myrtis Blue, Sylvia Blue Terrell, and Mildred Blue; and son, Edward Laroche Blue, Jr.

Mr. Edward Laroche Blue leaves to mourn his passing: his wife, Barbara Lewis Adams Blue; daughter, Bette (Denver) Blue Brownlee, of San Diego, California; son, Brain A. Blue, M.D., of Charlotte, North Carolina; grandchildren, Morgan Simone Brownlee and Jordan Laroche Brownlee, both of San Diego, California; many other relatives and caring friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

## *Order of Service*

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Words of Comfort



## *Committal, Benediction and Interment*

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