



Barrington Albert Gayle

August 2, 1948 - September 19, 2025

Barrington Albert Gayle, age 77, of Manassas, VA, passed away peacefully on September 19, 2025, surrounded by his loving family.

He was born on August 2, 1948, in Kingston, Jamaica, to the late Sydney and Wilhelmina Gayle. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Beverly; his brother, James Williams; and his sisters, Joan Robinson and Marcia Gayle.

Barrington graduated from St. Andrew Technical High School in Jamaica in 1966. After a short break, he came to the United States and continued his education at Howard University in Washington, DC, where he earned his Bachelor of Architecture in 1973. He began his career with Mobil Oil Corporation (later ExxonMobil) in 1976 as an architect specializing in computer-aided drafting and design. In 1995, he transitioned to a role as a Project Accounting Analyst, a position he held until his retirement in 2003. On July 24, 1976, Barrington married the love of his life, Beverly Roberts. They shared 36 wonderful years of marriage. Together, they began their life in the Bronx, NY, before relocating in 1980 to Manassas, VA, when Mobil Oil moved its headquarters from New York City to Fairfax. Manassas became their home, where they lovingly raised their three children.

In 1983, Barrington and Beverly became members of the Church of God.

From that time forward, serving God became the focus of his life. He dedicated himself wholeheartedly to using his talents in service to his church and community. With his professional expertise and practical skills, Barrington contributed to numerous building projects and was always willing to lend a hand with mechanical, plumbing, electrical, and structural needs. His generosity and craftsmanship blessed countless family members, friends, and fellow church members over the years.

Barrington will be remembered as a true friend to all. Outgoing, energetic, and full of love, he gave freely of his time, attention, and care. Children especially held a special place in his heart—always knowing he had a peppermint in his pocket just for them. An avid outdoorsman, Barrington also loved hunting and often spoke of the peace and serenity he found in the quiet of the woods from his tree stand at dawn. To know him was to know that any problem brought to him was, in his words, “no problem.”

Left to cherish his memory are his children, Michelle (Nathan) Barth, Crystal Gayle, and Jayson (Nadine) Gayle; his grandchildren, Jorja Mullins, Summer Mullins, and Kayden Gayle; his brother, Neil Gayle; his brothers- and sisters-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, extended family, and dear friends.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday, September 24, 2025, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Church of God, 8823 Rixlew Lane, Manassas, VA 20110. Funeral services will be held at the church on Thursday, September 25, 2025, at 12:00 p.m., followed by interment at Stonewall Memory Gardens, Manassas. Va. To watch live stream go to <https://vimeo.com/event/5396361/61f9226764>

Cemetery Details

Stonewall Memory Gardens

12004 Lee Highway
Manassas, VA 20109
<http://www.stonewallmemorygardens.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 24. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Church of God
8823 Rixlew Lane
Manassas, VA 20110

Funeral Service

SEP 25. 12:00 PM (ET)

Church of God
8823 Rixlew Lane
Manassas, VA 20110

Tribute Wall

CM

“ *It was an honor to know you and a pleasure to learn from you Uncle Barry.*

calene McLeggon - September 25, 2025 at 02:01 PM

GP

“ *Bro. Gayle was my friend, but before that he was “Dad” to my friends. I treasure the memories I made in their home during the countless hours spent there. Their home was a quiet, peaceful place that I always felt welcomed into; and knowing their doors were open to me anytime meant more to me than they’ll ever know! The Gayle family represented well what a Church of God family should be. Bro. Gayle could put fear into me as a child and teenager, make me laugh and encourage me as I grew older. He was a special man! Once Vinny, and then Giovanni came into my life, Bro. Gayle was a friend to them as well. Vinny loved the times they hunted and visited together. Bro. Gayle was always there with a big hug for Gio!! We will sorely miss him! Michelle, Crystal and Jayson - though I tried, words fail; we love your special family so much!*

Vinny, Ginger & Giovanni

Ginger Pugliese - September 24, 2025 at 01:44 PM

YF

“ *Your CPV Family purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.*



Your CPV Family - September 24, 2025 at 09:44 AM

KW

“ Ken and Deloris Watson purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.



Ken and Deloris Watson - September 24, 2025 at 07:35 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.



September 24, 2025 at 06:29 AM

GR

“ Our heart is sad to hear of the passing of a dear brother in law. Barry was a dear friend and remained so even after the passing is wife, my sister Beverly in 2012. My wife and I send our love to Michelle, Crystal and Jason and the rest of the Gayle family. Sorry we cannot be there but we send all our love to you. George and Monica Roberts

George Roberts - September 24, 2025 at 12:52 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.



September 24, 2025 at 12:39 AM

MS

“ To the Gayle Family there are no words to express how you feel when a loved one is taken, all that can be said is, to God be the glory. To my Chelle, Jay Jay, and Crystal, God will hold you up lean on him. Remembering and never forgetting Bro Gayle and family like my family. I met the Gayles in 1987 we all bonded, especially Chelle and me. I would hang out at their house, all the time and she was always at my house. We spent many holidays together Sis. Gayle was and excellent cook, and you felt the love from each of them when you gathered at their table. The family was always giving and giving, I remember the blue Chevelle Bro. Gayle let me drive, that car was so old it barely made it around the corner, but he wanted me to have a car to drive when I did not have one. I also went to camp meetings several times with them he loved taking Paw Paw's route to get ice cream. Chelle and I loved to create stories so that Bro. Gayle could breathe hard and create a better one, we had so much fun just watching him think of something and we would come back and say, we just made it up. I just loved going to their house and spending time with them. He also cared about my wellbeing, one time I had a cough, and he made the Bro Gayle concoction of honey and garlic knock it right out, I am going to miss him for caring and loving my family, just being a Saint of God and the shout he gave always made me excited, because I knew he had victory. When I received the news, my heart ached, he was like a father to me, Mike and Mikey, plus ever since I got saved, he has always encouraged the family. I could go on and on, however he has earned his reward, I can hear him now whooping it up in heaven, he made it, thank God he is with all the other saints especially Sis. Gayle. Chelle, Jay Jay and Crystal you are in our prayers daily, he is gone but not forgotten, we love you dearly.
Marsha, Mike and Mikey Sims

Marsha Sims - September 23, 2025 at 08:27 PM

JM

“ Joe Mullins purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.



Joe Mullins - September 23, 2025 at 07:13 PM

TF

“ The Wilcoxon Family purchased the *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet* for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.



The Wilcoxon Family - September 23, 2025 at 05:56 PM

MB

“ How do you put in words the love and admiration felt for Bro Gayle and his family? Bro Gayle was truly an amazing person and man of God. When you were around Bro Gayle you immediately felt at home. He had a way of making those around him feel comfortable and loved. He was always the perfect gentleman until his last breath. We will never forget his sweet smile and kind heart. We are blessed to have known him. Our hearts are with Michelle, Crystal, Jayson, and family during this difficult time. Love, Jeff and Melissa

Melissa Brock - September 23, 2025 at 04:20 PM

TT

“ Tom and Pat Thompson purchased the *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.



Tom and Pat Thompson - September 23, 2025 at 04:08 PM

JL

“ *Jon, Emily, Brooklyn, Cambria, & Lincoln purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.*



Jon, Emily, Brooklyn, Cambria, & Lincoln - September 23, 2025 at 12:50 PM

TF

“ *Tiffini & the IHG work family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.*



Tiffini & the IHG work family - September 23, 2025 at 12:05 PM

TF

“ *The Canty Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.*



The Canty Family - September 23, 2025 at 11:23 AM

LK

“ I have so many wonderful memories of our dear friend Bro. Barrington! He was certainly a friend and father figure to me through the years! So many hours spent with his family on the back porch, dining room table or living room. Laughing, teasing and just having great talks. Bro. Gayle was always so full of wisdom and good humor! He lived a life serving God and others selflessly! He made the best concoctions, whether it was sorrel (that he would many times surprise me with by leaving a jug for me in my car), jerky, Jamaican jerk chicken, some garlicky mixture to help with congestion, etc...it was always so good and he was always ready to share!

My first memories of him were when he'd pay his daily visit at the Martins house where I was living at the time, and he and Bro. Jim would be sitting at the table drinking coffee and chatting. Then as I grew closer to his girls, he drew us into his very large circle of friends. I don't think Bro. Gayle has met a stranger, nor left a stranger without them becoming his dear friend!

One year, Lori, Crystal and I convinced him to take us on a trip to NYC! He did! We had the best time!! We got him to go to so many places and see so many things with us, he's never let us live it down! Hours in Macys and never a complaint! One of my very favorite memories!

After I was married, he pulled my husband and kids right into his warm circle...calling every once in a while to check up on us. Encouraging our kids in their hunting expeditions. Sharing recipes he thought I might like. Spending Thanksgiving with him and his family. One thing he said most recently to me was to “enjoy those kids while you can...time will not slow down”.

He and his wife did so amazingly well at raising the best family! They certainly enjoyed each other in the time they had together and were not selfish with their love and care for others! We were all welcome at their house at all hours! We probably spent more time at their house than anywhere else! Wonderful memories that I will always treasure!

We will certainly miss our dear friend! So thankful I had the privilege of knowing him!

Lisa Karns - September 23, 2025 at 11:04 AM

TF

“ *The Perkins Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.*



The Perkins Family - September 23, 2025 at 10:20 AM

DH

“ *Dylan Livesay & Amy Heald purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.*



Dylan Livesay & Amy Heald - September 23, 2025 at 07:55 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.*



September 22, 2025 at 08:16 PM

FF

“ *From Your Boafo/Ables/Cousley Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.*



From Your Boafo/Ables/Cousley Family - September 22, 2025 at 07:37 PM

EC

“ O my the wonderful memories of such a wonderful man of God and a friendship that goes way back. Bro Gayle truly loved my dad Bro. Everhart and now they can be together and enjoy where they left off when my dad passed away. Bro Gayle and I ever time we were able to see each we would both at the same time point at each other and start laughing! He will be greatly missed by all those who were blessed to know him!

May God's everlasting arms of comfort hold the family during this time!

Bro. Skip & Sis. Ellen Conley

Ellen Conley - September 22, 2025 at 07:18 PM

LC

“ Love Bro and Sis Carmichael. purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.



Love Bro and Sis Carmichael. - September 22, 2025 at 07:17 PM

FF

“ Fils-Aime Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.



Fils-Aime Family - September 22, 2025 at 05:55 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.*



September 22, 2025 at 04:16 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.*



September 22, 2025 at 04:08 PM



“ *Buster, Brenda & Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.*



Buster, Brenda & Family - September 22, 2025 at 02:14 PM



“ *Larry and Ingrid Clark purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.*



Larry and Ingrid Clark - September 22, 2025 at 12:04 PM

IN

“ Truly heaven's gain and our loss. I will miss Bro. Gayle. I am thankful for the many years of friendship and fellowship with him and his family. Sharing our Jamaican heritage created a special bond and going to Manassas meant spending time with Bro. Gayle, Michelle and the family. I will miss that easy smile, kind and giving heart. My husband and I pray Michelle, Crystal, Jayson find much comfort in knowing that you had the best dad who has now earned his reward of heaven. We pray the entire family and saints at Manassas be comforted.

Ingrid - September 22, 2025 at 11:57 AM

JC

“ *A Tribute to Brother Gayle*

Words cannot fully express how much Brother Gayle meant to me and my family. His warmth, kindness, and love were constant and unwavering. I never once doubted his genuine care—especially in the way he treated my children.

During one of the most difficult times in my life, Brother and Sister Gayle opened their hearts and their home to me. With no questions asked, they welcomed me in with open arms, offering safety, love, and comfort. That act of selfless generosity is something I will never forget.

Through that season and over the years, I formed a deep bond with Jayson, Crystal, and Michelle. Our friendship grew so strong that it felt as though we were truly brothers and sisters. That connection has remained one of the greatest blessings.

Brother Gayle was a steady presence—a solid, dependable man who built a special bond with my family, especially with Carson. We shared so many cherished memories together: countless meals, joyful Thanksgiving dinners, and lively Yahtzee games where he was determined to win (and often did!).

I'll never forget when he taught me how to make sorrel. My first attempt was a complete disaster—I forgot the sugar! He laughed so hard and said, “You gotta come back—I'll show you again.”

And then there were his legendary recipes. I used to ask, “What do you do to make your rice and beans so good? How do you make your chicken so tender?” He'd just smile and say, “Oh, just add this and this, mix it together...” Somehow it always turned out perfect for him, though no one could quite capture the magic he carried in his memory.

Brother Gayle was a blessing to everyone who knew him. His love, laughter, and generosity will live on in our hearts forever.

With love and gratitude,^[1]_[SEP]

Your dear friend,^[1]_[SEP] *Joyce and Family*

Joyce Crouch - September 21, 2025 at 09:52 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Barrington Albert Gayle.*



September 21, 2025 at 08:05 PM



“ *My first memories of Bro Gayle goes back to when I first moved to Virginia in 1999. My husband and I shared a pew with him and his dear wife at church...he always had a friendly smile and wave or some story to share... as our family begin to grow our children came to love him as well as he would play with them at times and as already mentioned have something sweet in his pocket to share with them.*

My love for this dear family grew as I became close to their children Michelle, Crystal and Jayson. We often found ourselves in their home and even at thanksgiving dinner a time or two laughing, playing games, and just relaxing and sharing good times together. I have so many memories that I will treasure for the rest of my life. We will miss him so much!

Love, Bethany Thompson

Bethany Thompson - September 21, 2025 at 05:58 PM