



John W. Spencer Jr.

April 14, 1954 - December 4, 2025

John William Spencer, Jr. went home to be with the Lord on December 4, 2025, leaving an outstanding legacy of life and love that touched many lives.

Lumpy, as he was affectionately known to his family and friends, was born on April 14, 1954, in Bridgeton, NJ to the late John W. Spencer Sr. and Rose D. Spencer (nee Bayard). Lumpy accepted Christ into his life at an early age and began his worship at First Baptist Church of Jericho for many years. He went to school in the Deptford Township School District and graduated in 1972, where he was an accomplished athlete in Football, Wrestling and Baseball as well as a talented singer in the Choir.

Following Lumpy's graduation, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps where he served for 4 years, earning the rank of Corporal. During his tour in the Marine Corps, Corporal Spencer served on the Midway-Class Aircraft Carrier the USS Franklin D. Roosevelt. While serving on the Aircraft Carrier he was able to travel to Spain, France and Italy. In 1978 Corporal Spencer earned an honorable discharge. Always proud of his Marine Corps Service, Lumpy was a member of the Marine Corps League, Semper Fidelis Detachment #204 and the American Legion Post 133 where he held multiple leadership positions.

Lumpy was the epitome of the word hussle, as there was never a job that he

was not willing to take on in order to provide for his family. He had a very diverse job history before taking and passing the Civil Service Exam and earning a job with the Gloucester County Sheriff's Office. Lumpy worked 26 years in the Corrections Division at the Gloucester County Jail in Woodbury, NJ. Lumpy held many different positions while working in Corrections, from Cert Team Leader, to PR-24 Teacher to Quarter Master, Lumpy was always a person that one would rely on. Lumpy was blessed to retire from the Gloucester County Sheriff's Office and Corrections in 2010.

Lumpy had many hobbies that he loved to share with his friends and family. Lumpy gave back to the community as a coach of Deptford Little League Baseball and Deptford Youth Wrestling. Lumpy had a love for Baseball and was a High School and Collegiate Umpire for many years. As a competitive bowler, you could always find Lumpy bowling in multiple leagues in the South Jersey Area. Lumpy, the Pit Master enjoyed barbecuing with family and friends each and every summer. Lumpy was well known for his famous Egg Nog. Many would put in orders each holiday season to get a taste of his Egg Nog to share with their family and friends. Lumpy's love of dancing and singing was legendary. You would see Lumpy singing God's praises as this was one of his biggest passions in life. He was known and respected for his distinctive melodic tone and wide range of voice. Lumpy sang a good portion of his life but was most proud to be a founding member of the Kingdom Heirs Acapella Gospel Group with his father John W. Spencer Jr. for over 20 years.

Lumpy was the beloved son of the late John W. Spencer and Rose D. Spencer (nee Bayard). A loving father to his children Calvin (Niki,) and Ginnie Calabrese (Mike). A devoted brother to his siblings, Irvin (Ramona), Valerie, Veronica Lofton (Carnell) and the late Lyetta Spencer (Beverly); Daughter-in-law, Tracy Spencer and his very special friend, Christine Huesser. Lumpy was a loving grandfather (GOP) to four grandchildren, Dante, Darius, Demetrius and Milaina.

Relatives and friends are invited to visitation on Friday, January 9, 2026 from 4pm to 6pm at The Boucher Funeral Home, 1757 Delsea Dr, Deptford, NJ 08096

Celebration of Life Service 6pm at The Boucher Funeral Home.

Interment private.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Honor Flight of South Jersey.

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Sewell, NJ 08080

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For condolences, please visit www.boucherfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 9. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

The Chapel at Boucher Funeral Home, LLC
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & Gloucester County Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of John W. Spencer Jr.*



Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & County Cremation Service - January 08 at 11:16 AM



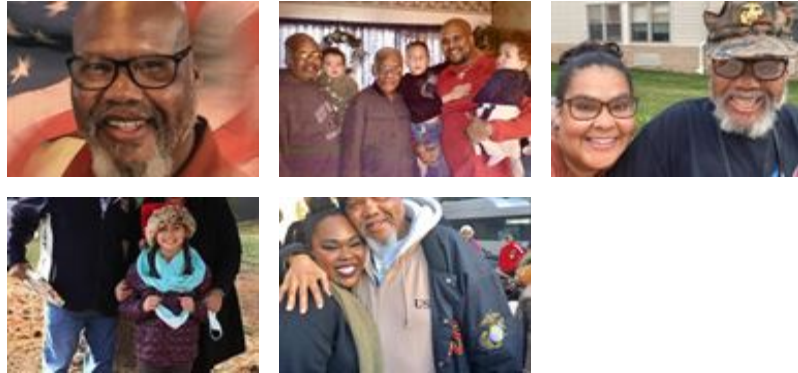
“ *RIP Uncle Luppy you was a great blessing to me when I was in trouble and you was a wonderful uncle you are going to be sadly missed and I wish I could have seen you sooner but I will see you in heaven rest in peace*



Michael Horace Sr - January 09 at 12:28 AM



“ 10 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & County Cremation Service - January 08 at 04:41 PM

PS

“ *Growing up being First Cousin with Lumpe, siblings and all the other cousins in Jericho, me and my brothers loved to come and visit. Lumpe always showed us a good time and welcomed us. The memories of good times will live on forever. It was hard to see Lumpe having many health issues as he got older. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him, but God decided it was time for him to be free of pain and misery. RIP Cuz, till I see you on the other side*

Patrick Spencer - January 07 at 08:17 PM



“ 91 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & County Cremation Service - January 07 at 10:40 AM

JL

“ *Lumpy was a man who was always willing to do things for others. There were many occasions when he would cook a big meal for our men's prayer group, and he did it effortlessly with a smile. I remember how he helped me and my family out after hurricane Sandy, and always getting a great greeting from him when he worked as an usher. Many times, he shared his wisdom and good advice with us. Prayers for his family.*

John Levay - January 06 at 10:50 PM

PS

“ We met Lumpy at a men's retreat of Crossroads Worship Center and he was the one who cooked all the meals for us and he sure knew how to cook butter steaks. Over the years we became good friends and he was always willing to give of himself to help others. When he fell ill as a result of a stroke we went to the hospital to pray for him and he was always happy to see us. We will miss him very much here on earth but we will see him again in Heaven someday. God rest his soul forever.

Pastor Ronald Sweeten and wife Cindy.

Pastor Ronald Sweeten - January 01 at 09:49 PM

DS

“ As the first grandson of John W. Spencer, this hits hard but he is now pain free and in a better place. I will never forget our great times together, the man adventures we went on as I was a kid, and the way you would always make me laugh. Rest in peace Gop.

Dante Spencer - December 17, 2025 at 06:19 PM

CP

“ I have so many memories of Lumpy as a co-worker and a friend. The stories could fill pages. He was a wonderful human being and a shining example of a man of faith. I will treasure all the good times in his company, especially remembering the sound of his laughter and his beautiful singing voice.

To Calvin, Ginnie and the entire Spencer family I send my sympathy and love. Carol (Woodring) Pistorio.

Carol Pistorio - December 17, 2025 at 12:55 PM

AC

“ *Lumpy was always at Calvin's soccer games and would help any time needed. He was a devoted band parent. Ginnie was in her playpen at games. He always had a bright smile on his face. He will be missed. Peace to our friend.*

al and anna marie cooney - December 16, 2025 at 09:34 PM

AW

“ *I met Lumpy when he worked in County Corrections and as a fellow Marine he was always claim and squared away. Always encouraging. RIP Marine, SEMPER Fi. Now it's time for your tour at heavens gate.*

Anthony Wilcox - December 16, 2025 at 08:23 PM