

EDWARD CALAHAN BIO

Edward Calahan was born on July 19, 1952 in Brinkley, Arkansas. Edward's formative years were spent in the Arkansas public school system. He graduated from Kennedy King College. Edward married Shirley A. Taylor. Edward Calahan is the father of four children: Edward Warndell, Tijuana Lakeisha, Edric Lamarr, and Valerie Danielle.

Calahan has worked in the funeral home business since he was sixteen years old. He pursued his dream, and graduated from the Worsham College of Mortuary Science. In 1983, Edward along with his wife opened the doors to Calahan Funeral Home, Inc., thus, beginning the 1st generation in funeral service industry. Under his leadership, Calahan Funeral Home, Inc. has become well known for sincere and personal service. Due to the hard work and diligence of he and Mrs. Calahan and the entire staff of Calahan Funeral Home staff, Edward has been recognized for several accomplishments. Most notably he was awarded the Mortician of the Year award, by the senior members of the Illinois Selected Mortician Association, and was the recipient of the King Humanitarian Award.

In addition to his hard work in the funeral home industry, Edward is extremely active in community organizations. He has served as an advisor to the business department of Kennedy King College; served as the treasurer for Greater Englewood Business Association from 1992-1995 and an advisor for the City of Chicago Fire Department. Edward currently is a member of the Auburn/Gresham Community Council; a member of the Illinois Selected Morticians Association, National Funeral Director's Association, as well as the National Funeral Director and Mortician Association.

Edward is a member of New Covenant Missionary Baptist Church, Rev. Stephen J. Thurston, Pastor. He serves as a Deacon. He is the president of the Christian Business and Professional Group. He also serves in the Bereavement Ministry. Along with his wife. They are Sunday School teachers for the Married Couples Ministry.

When asked of his many endeavors and constant involvement in community projects, Edward states, "I love the Lord and His people."