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Celebration of Life

THE MAN, THE COACH, THE LEGEND



ALAN SAWYER PLUMP, SR.

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Friday, February 19, 2016
11:00 A.M.

FAITH CHAPEL CHRISTIAN CENTER
100 Mike Moore Boulevard
Birmingham, Alabama 35224

Pastor Michael D. Moore, Officiating

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Obituary

THE MAN, THE LEGACY

Alan Sawyer Plump, Sr., was the second child born to Dr. Adolphus Plump, Jr. and Helen Sawyer Plump on September 10, 1963, in Nashville, Tennessee. He was called home on February 15, 2016.

He is a product of Birmingham City Schools and attended Our Lady of Fatima Catholic School, Lincoln Elementary and A.H. Parker High School. Upon graduating high school, Alan attended Tuskegee Institute in 1981. He completed his undergraduate degree at the University of Alabama, Birmingham with a Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education.

On August 11, 1989, Alan was united in matrimony to DeAndrea L. Young, and out of this union they had four children, Alan Sawyer Plump, Jr. (Veronica), DeZell Armon Plump, Alandrea Lench Plump, and Alana Mari' Plump. He was a devout family man.

Alan was affectionately known as "Plop Plop" by his three grandchildren, Alijah Sawyer Plump, Kyal Amir Plump, and Alanee Dee Marie Plump, to whom he brought great joy.

Alan was preceded in death by his father, Dr. Adolphus W. Plump, Jr., and is survived by his mother, Helen Plump; brothers, Adolphus Plump, III (Antoinette), John A.E. Plump (Sonya), and Marcus Plump (Starr); an uncle, John F. Sawyer, Jr.; his extended family, Mr. and Mrs. Aldozie Young and Family, Dwight Williams (Leisa) and Family; and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and family friends.

THE COACH, THE LEGEND

Alan Sawyer Plump was a three-sport athlete at A.H. Parker High School, lettering in varsity football, baseball, and basketball.

In 1980, Alan was captain and a pivotal member of the 4A state championship football team at Parker High School. This became a legendary season, as Parker became the first predominantly black high school to play for a football state championship. As a result of a stellar senior season at the position of wide receiver, Alan went on to earn all-city and all-state honors and was selected to play in the Alabama High School All-Star game in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. In 1981, Alan entered the college ranks by honoring a full athletic scholarship to Tuskegee University where he was a four-year starter at wide receiver.

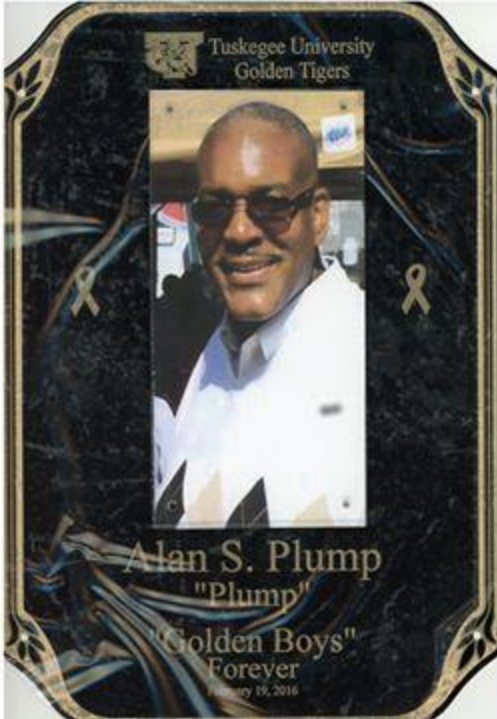
Coach Plump was a highly articulate and well-spoken educator. Coach Plump was a player's coach and was often quoted as saying, "Players don't play for teams, they play for coaches." Student-athletes adored his impeccable style of motivation, charismatic persona, and comedic rhetoric that became his staple and mantra for gravitating to young people.

Coach Plump entered the field of teaching and coaching at W.J. Christian School and immediately made the school an athletic powerhouse. Coach Plump resurrected the football program at Christian by winning two middle school championships while appearing in four championship games.

Due to his success at the middle school level, Coach Plump served as the Head Football Coach at Huffman High School for two years. During his last year at Huffman, his team qualified for the 6A playoffs with an 8-2 record.

Coach Plump was also a passionate and gifted sports official, serving a 25-year stint with the Mountain Brook Community Athletics Association.

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R.I.P.
Golden Boy
#44



(l-r) Vice Pettus, Jarvis Greer, Dale Holmes, Maurice Evans

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(l-r) Reinard Davis, Elmer Sherman

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