



DETROIT CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

In Memoriam

David Carneen Northcross

Sunrise: Thursday, September 23, 1937 thru Monday, March 3, 2025: Sunset

- Whereas:** *David Carneen Northcross* was of a Man of Faith, Family, Life and Love. We celebrate the Life of *David Carneen Northcross*, who passed away on Monday, March 3, 2025, at the age of 87 years. *David Carneen Northcross* was born in Detroit on Thursday, September 23, 1937, to Margaret Franklin and Dr. David Northcross. David's life was one of strength, perseverance, and deep devotion to his family and community; *and*
- Whereas:** *David Carneen Northcross* was also raised with the Love and guidance of his maternal grandparents, Nonnie and Poppy, as well as his beloved Aunt Marion Nash. Growing up in a large, close-knit family, he shared unbreakable bonds with his siblings: Michael Northcross, John Franklin, Joan Yelorda, Dr. Gale Northcross, Gloria Jenkins, Derrick Northcross, Gracie, Barbara Batchan, Bunny Harrison, and James Franklin; *and*
- Whereas:** *David Carneen Northcross'* academic and athletic prowess led him to Michigan State University, where he earned the nickname "Crunch" as a defensive end for the Spartans football team. A dedicated and talented athlete, he played for four years and helped lead his team to victory in the National Championship Rose Bowl in Pasadena, CA. It was during his time at Michigan State that he met the Love of his Life, Shirley Garrett. They built a beautiful life together, sharing 64 years of marriage filled with unwavering Love, Respect, and Partnership; *and*
- Whereas:** *David Carneen Northcross*, following his college years, served his country with honor as an officer in the U.S. Marine Corps for four years. His discipline, intelligence, and leadership skills led him to break barriers as Michigan's first Black stockbroker for Merrill Lynch; paving the way for future generations in the financial industry; *and*
- Whereas:** *David Carneen Northcross* had an incredible mind-sharp, inquisitive, and strategic. Whether playing golf (as a proud lefty) or engaging in an intense game of bridge, he approached everything with precision and passion. Beyond his personal achievements, he was deeply committed to his community, serving as a mentor to many young men, including Michael Dyson and Cyrus Varner, helping to shape their futures with wisdom and guidance; *and*
- Whereas:** *David Carneen Northcross*, above all else, was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and friend. He and Shirley raised three wonderful sons: David, Stephen, and Mark (Lynda), who, along with his cherished grandchildren-Collin, Erika (Samuel), Alexis, Brooklyn, Oliver, and Azure-were the greatest joys of his life. He was a constant source of Love, encouragement, and wisdom, always leading with both heart and intellect; *and*
- Whereas:** *David Carneen Northcross* will be remembered as a man of profound intelligence, loving nature, and unwavering kindness. He had an undeniable presence and a heart that touched everyone fortunate enough to know him. His legacy will live on in the lives he influenced, the Love he shared, and the example he set for generations to come. May his Love and Legacy never fade from our hearts. *Now therefore be it*
- Resolved:** *The Honorable Coleman A. Young II, At-Large #1 along with the Entire Honorable Detroit City Council Honors the Phenomenally Stupendous Life, Legacy & Memory of David Carneen Northcross. We Honor and Thank YOU for your Life of Heart-felt Kindness, Stellar & Effective Leadership, Dynamic Mentorship, and Gracious Selflessness. We Honor the Memory of the Life of David Carneen Northcross as a devoted and loving husband, father, grandfather, community leader, business trailblazer and Dedicated Detroiter. We will forever remember the name and memory of David Carneen Northcross; a Great Man of Faith, Family and Love! May his Memory Live Forever.*

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Friday, March 14th 2025
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