



## Minister Omri E. Lavine

April 6, 1934 - October 6, 2025

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In Loving Memory of Minister Umroy (Omri, Roy) Eleazer Lavine

April 6, 1934 – October 6, 2025

Minister Lavine peacefully departed this life in his sleep on October 6, 2025, at the age of 91. Born on April 6, 1934, in St. Peter, Barbados, he was the sixth child of the late Cyril and Elvira Octavia Lavine. He was lovingly preceded in death by his cherished wife, Princess (Cannon) Lavine.

In 1966, Omri moved to Stamford, Connecticut, where he built a life rooted in faith, family, and service. He held various jobs throughout his life before finding his calling at Stamford Hospital, where he served faithfully for 30 years as a Plant Operations Mechanic. Known for his unwavering dedication, spirit of teamwork, and flawless attendance record—never once taking a sick day—he exemplified commitment and integrity. His outstanding service earned him multiple awards for excellence, a testament to the pride he took in his work and the respect he garnered from colleagues.

Alongside his full-time role, he also served the City of Stamford Parks and Recreation Department seasonally for 25 years, a position born from his love for Lione Park and pioneering efforts to establish the city's first Cricket league. Affectionately known as "Pops" or "Dad" to his children, Minister Lavine was a joyful and uplifting presence. He had a deep love for the Lord and never

missed an opportunity to share God's Word. His praise was constant, whether in the sanctuary or through the many ministries he served. His greatest calling was to spread the goodness of God to everyone he met.

Minister Lavine was a devoted member of Union Baptist Church for 58 years, where he served faithfully in numerous roles: the Deacon Ministry, Nurses' Ministry, Missionary Ministry, Ushers' Ministry, Culinary Staff, and both the Men's and Mass Choirs. Always striving for growth, he earned his high school diploma in 2007 at the age of 73, graduating with a 3.22 GPA. His spiritual journey continued as he graduated from Theological school and was ordained to preach the Gospel on April 7, 2013, under the leadership of Pastor, Rev. Robert W. Perry.

While proud of his professional and ministerial accomplishments, Minister Lavine's greatest joy came from being a husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He cherished his family deeply and took pride in caring for them.

He is lovingly remembered by his daughters: Jacqueline M. Fuller (Charles) of Hamden, CT; Jennifer Ward, Cynthia Greaves, and Vernetta Harris, all of Barbados, LaChonda Dixon of Stamford Ct; and his sons: Everett Lavine (Lynette) of Woodbridge, VA; David A. Lavine Sr. (Angela) of Ashburn, VA; and Eric Lavine of Stamford, CT.

He is also survived by his sister Kathleen Lavine of Brooklyn, NY; five sisters-in-law: Agnes Preston of Stamford, CT; Dora (Theron) Brown of Opelika, AL; Katie (James) Cloud of Norwalk CT; Shirley (Lawrence) Ingram of Fayetteville NC; Addie Jordan of Fayetteville, NC; and a brother-in-law, Rev. Benjamin (Ruby) Cannon of Opelika, AL.

Minister Lavine was preceded in death by eight siblings—Seibert Haynes, Joseph Haynes, Eileen Alcide, Esmay Greenidge, Elsie Walke, Enid Lavine, Charles Lavine, and Carlotta Irene Lavine—as well as by his son, Omri Dixon, and his daughter, Anita D. Crump.

His legacy lives on through his grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, his faithful friend Freddie, and a multitude of loved ones—each a

testament to the light he shared and the love he left behind. His spirit continues to shine through them, a reflection of God's enduring grace. Minister Lavine's life was a testament to his unwavering faith, boundless generosity, love for learning, and devotion to family. We will miss him dearly. Rest well, beloved. Your family.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, October 14, 2025 from 10:00AM - 11:00AM followed by a service of celebration at 11:00AM at Union Baptist Church, 805 Newfield Ave., Stamford, CT 06905. Interment will follow at Fairfield Memorial Park

# Cemetery Details

## **Fairfield Memorial Park**

230 Oaklawn Ave.  
Stamford, CT

# Tribute Wall



“ Pops loved his Yankees. He would have been disappointed that they lost the playoffs. May he rest in eternal peace.

Les Walkes - October 13, 2025 at 07:54 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Minister Omri E. Lavine.



October 13, 2025 at 12:30 PM



“ Jackie, Charles, David, Everette and The Lavine Family, our heartfelt sympathy and prayers. Minister Lavine will be missed. He loved the Lord and was a blessing to us.

C. Cropper - October 12, 2025 at 04:56 PM



“ May God continue to bless you all during your time of sorrow.

Shawn and Linda Ford - October 11, 2025 at 09:48 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Minister Omri E. Lavine.



October 10, 2025 at 06:49 PM

WL

“ Wanda, Tim, Shirley and Lawrence planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Minister Omri E. Lavine.

Wanda, Tim, Shirley and Lawrence - October 10, 2025 at 06:49 PM

DS

“ To the Lavine Family,  
Sorry to learn of the passing of your loved one. Cherish your memories of the times you had. Please accept my deepest condolences.

Dawn Solomon - October 09, 2025 at 11:02 PM

SW

Deepest Sympathy to Jackie, Everette, David and the entire family. Thank you Pops for loving Les and I like your own children. Missing you already. Fun times always chatting about Barbados. RIP

Sussie Walkes - October 10, 2025 at 12:58 AM

JP

“ To Jackie and the Levine family I give my condolences to you all. Minister Lavine was a very happy and energetic person. He had his little praise dance in the choir as well on the pulpit he always had such great sense of humor. Always willing to help people he will be missed but his rejoicing in Heaven. God Bless you all. Love Joy Poteau.

Joy Poteau - October 09, 2025 at 08:45 PM

JF

“ I am going to miss you Pops, love you dearly. Your daughter, Jackie

Jacqueline Fuller - October 09, 2025 at 07:23 PM

JW

*To Jackie, and the entire family what a pleasure it was to have known your Dad. He was such a good spirited person. I will miss my hugs! Our sincere and heartfelt condolences.*

*Joe Ann & Gerald Watts*

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**Joe Ann Watts** - October 10, 2025 at 11:51 AM

DA

*To Jackie and the entire family, please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*

*Though I never had the privilege of meeting Minister Lavine in person, I have clearly witnessed the enduring impact of his values and character through the wonderful children he raised. The strength of his personality and spirit shines brightly in you all and will undoubtedly continue to influence and inspire generations to come.*

*May God bless and comfort you all*

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**Daniel** - October 10, 2025 at 05:17 PM