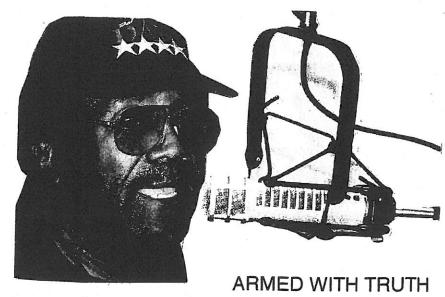
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## Shelby Lanier, Jr.

Shelby Lanier, Jr., a native of Louisville, Kentucky, was born on April 20, 1936 and attended public schools, graduating June, 1954 from Central High School where he received athletic letters in football and baseball. He attended Central State University, Wilberforce, Ohio, joined the U.S. Air Force and after serving four years, returned to Louisville, Kentucky.

On September 16, 1961, Shelby was employed as a police officer with the Louisville Division of Police. He served in numerous assignments including foot patrol, various motorized beat patrol assignments, first African American assigned to two wheel motorcycle with the Traffic Bureau. Other assignments included Community Relations, School Liaison, Police Academy Instructor, Police Recruitment, Homicide Investigator, and Crime Prevention.

In 1975 he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Sociology from the University of Louisville. He also graduated from the Southern Police Institute Homicide Investigation School and the National Crime Prevention Institute.

In 1971, Shelby Lanier organized the Louisville Black Police Officers Organization and was elected its first president. in 1972 he was one of the founders of the National Black Police Association. In 1974, he helped initiate a discrimination suit against the Louisville Police Department that resulted in a consent decree that brought about compensation, hiring, promotions, assignments, change in the disciplinary practices, plus \$3.5 million to 98 African American applicants that were denied employment with the police department.

In 1976 he initiated and won a lawsuit against a police chief who had made slanderous remarks. He initiated actions against a discriminatory hair regulation causing change that would permit an Afro hair style. In 1976, he also testified before the Louisville Board of Aldermen, disclosing police memberships in the KKK and later testified before a U.S. Senate Committee during court ordered school desegregation hearings.

In 1980 he helped organize the Metro Junior Football League for inner city African American youth. He later helped organize the Louisville Black Transit Workers. In 1988 Shelby Lanier, Jr organized and actively led protests against disrespectors and drug pushers in the African American community. He worked as a Detective in the Fourth Police District and after completing 30 years of public service, he retired from the Louisville Division of Police February 1, 1992.

Shelby Lanier is a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church. He is a former board member of the following: P. U. S. H., Kentucky S.C.L.C., Park-Duvalle Community Health Center and The Student Parent Advisor Resource Center. He holds life memberships in the National Black Police Association, the N.A.A.C.P., and is a subscribing life member of the Urban League. He has been a member of the Chestnut Street Branch of the YMCA for thirty consecutive years.

Lanier has been involved in prison programs at the LaGrange Reformatory, Marion County Adjustment Center, Luther Luckett Correctional Facility and the Pee Wee Valley Correctional Facility. In 1980 he started the Life Membership program of the N.B.P.A.

Since his retirement, he has been involved as a civil rights and community activist with the father of four sons and three daughters. Justice Resource Center and the NAACP. He has served as a volunteer consultant and presentor with numerous youth mentoring, drug prevention, gang prevention, and self-esteem programs. He has also served as a member of the Central High School SBDM Council and the Police Strategic Planning Committee.

In February, 1990, Shelby Lanier, Jr. was elected chairman of the National Black Police Association and in December 1990, elected to a second term as President of the Louisville Branch NAACP. In 1993, he was a candidate for the office of Jefferson County Sheriff and in 1994 was a candidate for U.S. from the 3rd Congressional Representative District. In 1996, he became the first African American candidate for the U.S. Senate, and in 2000, was a candidate for Jefferson County Commissioner.

Shelby Lanier, jr., a widower, is the proud

Shelby Lanier, Jr. has been the recipient of many awards and recognitions during years of service to the community. They include a Duvalle Junior High School Service Award, Urban League Equality Award, S.C.L.C. Man of the Year, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Man of the Year, Black Workers Coalition Community Service Award, P.R.I.D.E. Civil Rights Award, Community of Islam Outstanding World Involvement Award, L.B.P.O.O. Distinguished N.B.P.A. Leadership, N.A.A.C.P. Service, Community Service, N.B.P.A. Eastern Region Member of the Year, Watson Memorial Church Man of the Year, Shelby Congregational Church M.L. King Jr. Award, Louisville Defender Newspaper Community Service Award, the National Black Police Association Renault Robinson Award, the highest award of the association.

## **Additional Awards and Recognitions**

New Creation Afrocentric Award of Ujima -- 1992 Louisville Urban League Community Service Award -- 1992 NAACP Life Membership -- 1992 Justice Resource Center M.L.King Award -- 1992 Walker Memorial Man of Action Award -- 1992 Justice Resource Center M.L.King Award -- 1994 National Black Police Association Alphonso Deal Award -- 1996 Central High Black History Bowl Appreciation Award -- 1999 Commissioned Kentucky Colonel -- 2000 President Emeritus National Black Police Association -- 2000



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**TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:** 

- Black Community and Police Relations
- Economics in the Black Community
- The Black Church in the Community
- Environment in the Black Community
- The School System & the Black Community
- How Does Derby impact the African American community?

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