

"Meet the Artist Event in the Park," and was the featured guest speaker at Bruton Memorial Library. Angelina recently participated in the 36th Annual Tampa Bay Senior Talent Showcase.

A loving wife, and a mother of four children, Mrs. Steiner is inspired from everyday events, and has the talent to paint a beautiful picture through her poetry. Her rare talent and literary achievements must not go unrecognized. It makes me proud that a constituent of mine has achieved success in her literary endeavors.

IN RECOGNITION OF RHUDINE
DORSEY

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 29, 2017

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor and pleasure to extend my personal congratulations to an exceptional community leader and outstanding citizen, Mrs. Rhudine Warren Nelson Dorsey, fondly known as Dina, as she celebrates 45 years of service with the Georgia Legal Services Program.

Dina was born to John and Minnie Warren in Columbus, Georgia. As an "Army brat," her family moved around a lot and she attended several schools. She finished high school at William H. Spencer High School in Columbus, Georgia. She furthered her education at Columbus College (now Columbus State University) and Chattahoochee Valley Community College.

In 1972, Dina began working at the Georgia Legal Services Program, formerly the Legal Aid Society, and has been an advocate for low-income clients with the organization ever since. She started as a receptionist under the management of attorney Rufe McCombs. She has since served as Domestic Relations Coordinator, Communications Coordinator, Pro Bono Coordinator, and Paralegal. In these roles, she has helped numerous clients collect countless dollars owed to them by government agencies such as the Social Security Administration.

The Georgia Legal Services Program was founded in 1971, just one year before Dina began to work there. While independent of the Georgia State Bar, the organization was formed to establish a statewide legal services program and provide expanded legal services in Macon, Columbus and Savannah. Today, the Georgia Legal Services Program serves about 10,000 clients a year directly and many more through free legal clinics and "Ask a Lawyer" days.

Dina's work with the Georgia Legal Services Program over the past 45 years has been widely recognized in the Columbus community. In 2006, she received the Liberty Bell Award from the Columbus Bar Association. That same year, she received the Mayor's Commission on Unity and Diversity Distinguished Woman Award.

Dr. Benjamin E. Mays often said: "You make your living by what you get; you make your life by what you give." Not only has Dina established a legacy in advocating for quality legal services for low-income people, but she has also done a tremendous job of giving back to the great city of Columbus, and I am

very grateful for her tireless efforts to make the community stronger. A woman of great integrity, her efforts, her dedication, and her expertise in her field are unparalleled, but her heart for helping others is what has made her life's work truly special.

On a personal note, I have been blessed to know Dina since 1972 when I first moved to Columbus. She and her family have been dear friends to me and my family and I can say without reservation that she is one of the most passionate and warmhearted individuals with whom I have had the pleasure of working.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in extending our sincerest appreciation to Mrs. Rhudine Dorsey as she celebrates 45 years of service with the Georgia Legal Services Program.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MR.
DONALD ELY

HON. LOU BARLETTA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 29, 2017

Mr. BARLETTA. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I honor the life of my friend, Mr. Don Ely, and express my deepest condolences to his family and friends.

On March 13, 2017, at 81 years old, Don passed away. The people of Sunbury and the greater community of Pennsylvania's 11th District, along with myself, will miss him greatly and are forever thankful for the service he provided his community.

Don began his career as a clergyman, serving congregations across the Commonwealth for nearly a decade before launching his career in education. Don was an accomplished school teacher, having taught history, government, and civics for over 32 years. at Shikellamy High School in Sunbury. During the majority of his teaching years, he continued his work as a pastor until he had completed 25 years of his ministry. In addition to his work as a pastor and an educator, Don was also active in politics. He became a member of the Northumberland County Republican Committee in 1987 and the Republican State Committee in 1992, never missing a single meeting. Don was instrumental in supporting Republican candidates on the local, state, and federal levels. He was also an active, contributing member of the Heritage Foundation, the Commonwealth Foundation of Pennsylvania, and Pennsylvanians for Effective Government. Whether it was his years of leadership for the Republican Party of Pennsylvania, his work as a teacher, or his dedication to his family, Don's impact on the Sunbury community will not soon be forgotten.

Don is survived by his wife of 49 years, Lois Kirkpatrick Ely, and their three children, Kathleen Ely Lybarger, Dr. Stephen Ely and his wife Herta, and Yvonne Ely Renaud, his grandchildren, Olivia, Sophia, and Luke Lybarger, James, Ethan, and Patrick Renaud, George and Stephen Ely, his niece, Sandra Smith Kastel, as well as Philip Smith and Cindy Smith Leist.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring the legendary life of Mr. Don Ely.

TRIBUTE TO DR. LUNS C.
RICHARDSON

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 29, 2017

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a patriotic American, outstanding South Carolina, and very special friend and constituent, Dr. Luns C. Richardson. He is retiring after 43 years as President of Morris College in my hometown of Sumter, South Carolina, the alma mater of both my parent.

Dr. Luns C. Richardson is the longest serving college president in South Carolina and the ninth president of Morris College. He is a native of Hartsville, where he graduated from Butler High School in 1945 as Class Valedictorian. He received the A.B. degree (magna cum laude) from Benedict College and the M.A. degree in higher education administration at Teachers College, Columbia University. He pursued additional studies at my alma mater, South Carolina State University, Rutgers University and the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

Dr. Richardson held several significant positions in secondary, vocational and higher education before becoming President of Morris College in 1974. He served fifteen years at Denmark Technical College (then known as South Carolina Area Trade School) as Dean of Men, Chaplain and teacher, two years as the principal of St. Helena High School, Frogmore, South Carolina, and one year as the principal of Wilson High School, in Florence, South Carolina. He also served six years at Benedict College, the last sixteen months as Acting President. Prior to his assuming the presidency of Morris College, he was the Executive Vice President at Voorhees College in Denmark, South Carolina. He served as pastor of Thankful Baptist Church in Bamberg, South Carolina for 56 years, 1958 until 2014.

My family's relationship with Morris College is very personal. My mother graduated from Morris College in 1953 when I was 12 years old. My father studied theology at Morris in the early 1940s for three years but was not allowed to finish his studies because he had not graduated from high school. Having been born in 1897 in segregated South Carolina, my father was never allowed to advance beyond the seventh grade. Though he was not allowed to graduate in 1945 as he should have, thanks to Dr. Richardson and the Board of Trustees, he was posthumously awarded his Bachelor of Theology Degree 58 years later in 2003, a most proud moment for my family and for me.

Under Dr. Richardson's leadership, numerous developments have taken place at Morris College: the liquidation of a half-million indebtedness, the construction of 17 new buildings, an increase in library holdings to more than 132,000 volumes, faculty upgrading to 72 percent earned doctorates, curriculum expansion including at least 16 new majors and an Army ROTC unit.

The endowment has grown from \$30,000 to more than \$12 million. He also led Morris College in its initial accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges in 1978 and to membership in the United Negro College Fund in 1982.