



Karleton B. Skipper

November 23, 1946 - May 26, 2026

Karleton Blaire Skipper peacefully passed away on May 26, 2026, at the age of 79.

Born on November 23, 1946, he was the beloved son of the late Fairley Matthew Skipper and Thelma Skipper.

Karleton lived a life defined by courage, dedication, and service to others. He proudly served with distinction as a police officer with the Metropolitan Police Department in Washington, D.C. for 25 years. A graduate of the police academy where he finished at the top of his class, Karleton built an exceptional law enforcement career serving on the Warrant Squad, the SWAT Team as a sniper, and in the helicopter division. He also served as a firearms instructor and was a highly decorated officer whose professionalism and commitment earned the respect of his fellow officers and community alike.

Following his retirement from the police department, Karleton continued his lifelong commitment to public service by beginning a second career as a Special Agent with the U.S. Department of Transportation. During his tenure, he proudly served on the Secretary's Protective Detail, providing protection for three United States Secretaries of Transportation before retiring for a second time.

Beyond his remarkable career accomplishments, Karleton was known for his quiet strength, loyalty, and devotion to his family. He will be remembered for his wisdom, sense of humor, and unwavering willingness to protect and care for those he loved.

Karleton is survived by his son, Christopher Skipper; daughter-in-law, Heather Skipper; sister, Karen Skipper; niece, Vanessa Curtis; and grandson, Tristan Skipper.

In addition to his parents, Karleton was predeceased by his loving wife, Linda F. Skipper, and nephew, David Curtis.

He will be deeply missed and forever remembered by all who knew and loved him.