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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

February is the time that we celebrate Black History which honors African American people's rich range of experiences, struggles and achievements throughout history and into the modern day. We would like to honor Charles Z. Smith (Washington State Supreme Court Justice)



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New Website Design Move and Groove for Health is excited to announce that we have a newly designed website. Check us out TODAY.. www.moveandgroove4health.org



Move and Groove for Health Class Schedule Our 2021 Class Schedule is now available to view online at: www.moveandgroove4health.org/classes.html



Move and Groove for Health Directors Read all about the directors and the entire team. - *Page 2*

✤ Birthdays

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✓ Health Tips

Seniors are our Priority and so is their health. This month's health tip is 6 Ways to Eat Well As You Get Older.

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✤ Dance Challenge

This issue Dance Challenge is Raising Hell-Line Dance. Try it and have FUN.

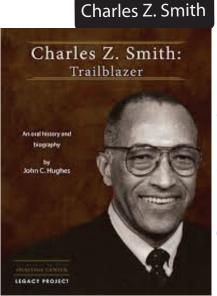
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Born: February 23, 1927, Lakeland, FL **Died**: August 28, 2016, Seattle, WA **Education**: University of Washington School of Law, Temple University, Florida A&M University

John, Eva, (Children) Susie, Julia, Johnsie, Boneva baby John & Charles **Charles Z far right

Charles Z is the Uncle of Tami Smith Drayton





Charles Z. Smith was an American judge who served as a Washington State Supreme Court Justice from 1988 to 2002. He was the first person of color and the first African American to hold the position.

Charles Z. Smith, the first and so far only ethnic minority to serve on the Washington State Supreme Court, is comfortable in his skin. He was born in the segregated South in 1927, the son of a Cuban auto mechanic father and a Negro/Cherokee restaurant cook mother, whose grandparents were slaves. Smith seldom sees things as black and white, and he's rarely judgmental. Being on the right side of justice and doing exemplary work have always mattered more to him than being first. When he was named to the Supreme Court in 1988, Smith said, "There is no feeling of a sense of history, but I may be a role model" for others to follow.

In 1965, Smith returned to Seattle where he became the first African American or person of color to become a judge in the State of Washington, being appointed as Judge of the Seattle Municipal Court. In 1966, again as a "first," he was appointed to the King County Superior Court and subsequently reelected unopposed until he left the court in 1973. Also, in 1973, Smith was appointed Professor of Law and Associate Dean at the University of Washington Law School where he served until his retirement in 1986. Later in 1973 Smith was commissioned in the United States Marine Corps Reserve where he served in the Judge Advocate Division as a military judge until his retirement as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1986.

Smith served as President of the American Baptist Churches, USA in 1976 and 1977 and participated with the National Inter-religious Task Force on Soviet Jewry. He served as a delegate to Task Force follow-up conferences in Rome, Italy, Belgrade, Yugoslavia and Madrid, Spain.

On July 18, 1988, Smith became the first African American or person of color to serve on the Washington Supreme Court. He served three terms retiring in 2002. In 1999, he was appointed by President William J. Clinton to the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom, created by Congress to monitor the status of freedom of thought, conscience and belief abroad. In 2001, the Student Bar Association at the University of Washington Law School established the Charles Z. Smith Public Service Scholarship. He received the Distinguished Service Award from the National Center for State Courts in 2004 and was honored by Pioneer Human Services in Seattle with naming of one of its low cost housing properties as the Chares Z. Smith House.

The Honorable Charles Z. Smith's Biography (thehistorymakers.org) Watch the videos! Page 1



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✤ Prayer List

<u>Condolences</u>

Watson/Duncan Family Porter Family Dodson/Arterberry Family

<u>Healing</u>

Linda Girolamo Desiree & Charles Montgomery Augustus Porter Juanita Cullen-Austin





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- * Tami Drayton-CO/Director
- * Clay Drayton-CO/Director
- * Marsha Robinson-Administration Manager
- * Linda Girolamo-Community Relations
- * Linda Garbot-Content & Copy Editor

Raising Hell - Line Dance (Dance & Teach in English & 中文) https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=yIW47g3Z37M

<u>January</u>

Lillian Briscoe Reta Butler Katherine Davison Tami Drayton Debbie Elkins Clarissa Johnson Frances Lucas JoAnn Rozelle Sylvia Vassar

<u>February</u>

Debbie Allen Juanita Cullen-Austin Mei Banta Eileen Gray Eleanor Gray Marlene Jones Dorthy Knapp Tessie Malimit Rapsy Meyer



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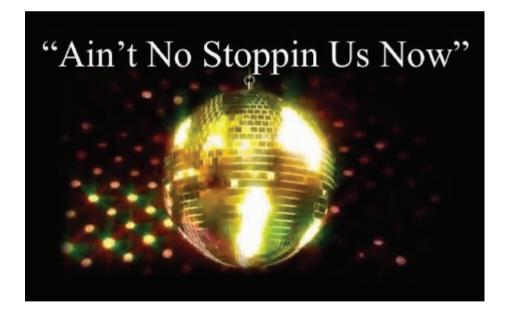


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Closing Message: We live in perilous and unpredictable times but if we keep a song in our hearts, pep in our steps, a word of encouragement on our lips and keep our heads looking up to the heavens, we will get through this.



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