

**IN MEMORIAM**  
**ARTHUR D. GRAINGER**  
**(1942 - 2017)**

Arthur D. Grainger, former interim chairman and retired Associate Professor of Mathematics of Morgan State University, passed on March 28, 2017.

He was born in Chadbourn, North Carolina on December 8, 1942, and grew up in Baltimore, Maryland. Arthur Grainger earned a BS degree in Mathematics at Morgan State University in 1964. He honored Morgan State College for being in the news media as one of the famous “Seven Morgan State College Students to Excel in the National Graduate Exam.” He interrupted his graduate studies while attending the University of Maryland at College Park to be employed as a mathematician for the Defense Mapping Agency. While working at the agency, he resumed his graduate work at the University of Maryland and obtained a MS degree in Mathematics in 1969. In 1974, he obtained his PhD in Mathematics.



After leaving his position as a Technical Department Head at AT&T Bell Laboratories, Dr. Grainger pursued his academic career in 1991 as an associate professor of Mathematics at Morgan State University. He served as the Department of Mathematics interim chairman for Morgan State from 1993 to 2001. In 1993, Dr. Grainger made a major contribution to his alma mater by serving as co-investigator to obtain a National Security Agency (NSA) grant for approximately \$250,000 to install a MATH Laboratory in the department. He received a special 60<sup>th</sup> celebration from the Conference for African American Researchers in the Mathematical Sciences in 2002. In 2014 at the Joint Mathematics Meeting held in Baltimore he was honored by the National Association of Mathematicians (NAM) as the NAM Claytor-Woodard Lecturer, and he received NAM’s Lifetime Achievement Award. He continued to serve Morgan as an Associate Professor until he retired in 2015. After his retirement, Dr. Grainger continued to do research, which was his passion.

Dr. Arthur Grainger is survived by his wife, Patricia; his son, Lawrence; one sister, Joyce Underdo; three brothers, Glenn, Gary, Gregory, and their families, also Beverly Grainger (daughter of his deceased brother Philip) as well as a host of cousins, colleagues, and friends.

# Remembrance Luncheon for Dr. Arthur D. Grainger

**Date:** Saturday, August 26, 2017

**Location:**

Morgan State University

Calloway Hall 101

**Time:** 9:30 am

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| Appreciation Address by Patricia Grainger                             | 9:31  |
| Math Presentations/Lectures   | 9:32  |
| Violin Solo Dedicated to Arthur D. Grainger                           | 11:35 |
| Words of Remembrance from Friends, Colleagues,<br>Staff, and Students | 11:40 |
| Lunch   | 12:30 |