

In Memoriam: Alton Hornsby, Jr.



Alton Hornsby, professor emeritus of history at Morehouse College in Atlanta, died on September 1, 2017.

A native of Georgia, Dr. Hornsby was a 1961 graduate of Morehouse College. He earned a master's degree and a Ph.D. at the University of Texas at Austin.

After teaching briefly at Tuskegee University in Alabama, Dr. Hornsby joined the faculty at Morehouse College and served as chair of the history department for 30 years. After nearly 40 years on the Morehouse College faculty, Dr. Hornsby retired in 2010.

Dr. Hornsby was the editor of the *Journal of Negro History* for 25 years. He was the author or editor of a number of books including *A Companion to African American History* (Blackwell, 2005) and *African Americans in the Post-Emancipation South: The Outsiders' View* (University Press of America, 2005). Accessed 6-25-18: *The Journal of Blacks in Higher Education*, 9-18-17 (www.jbhe.com).

Editor's note: Additional tributes to, and reflections about, Dr. Hornsby include the following: "Tribute to Dr. Alton Hornsby," Southern Conference on African American Studies, Inc. webpage, accessed June 25, 2018, http://www.scaasi.org/scaasi_2016/Dr._Alton_Hornsby.html; Jacqueline A. Rouse, "Remembering Alton Parker Hornsby, Jr., 1940–2017" in *The Journal of African American History*, Special Issue: African American Migration and Mobility After the Civil War, 1865–1915, Kendra Field, Guest Editor, Volume 102, Number 4 (Fall 2017): 574-577, accessed June 25, 2018, <https://www.jstor.org/stable/10.5323/jafriamerhist.102.4.0574> and at the Association for the Study of African American Life and History webpage, accessed June 25, 2018, <https://asalh.org/remembering-alton-parker-hornsby-jr-1940-2017/>; "Morehouse College Mourns the Loss of Dr. Alton Hornsby Jr. '61," September 6, 2017, accessed June 25, 2018, <http://www.morehouse.edu/newscenter/morehousecollegemournstheossofdraltonhornsbyjr61.html>; "Dr. Alton Hornsby: The Black Past Remembered, Reclaimed and Mourned," *Atlanta Daily World* (September 7-13, 2017): 5, accessed June 25, 2018, https://issuu.com/realtimesmedia/docs/adw_sept7; "Professor Emeritus Alton Hornsby, Jr., first African American graduate of UT History's Ph.D. program, 1939-2017," University of Texas at Austin Department of History webpage, September 4, 2018, accessed June 25, 2018, <https://liberalarts.utexas.edu/history/news/12102>; Morehouse History Club, Twitter post, September 3, 2017, 9:42 a.m. EST, accessed June 25, 2018, <https://twitter.com/MHCGriots/status/904384125502619649>.