

Tom Pike 80th Birthday Celebration – January 10, 2018
Calvary Church Parish House – GPBA Pres. Arlene Harrison Remarks

Welcome to Tom Pike's 80th Birthday Celebration!!!

There is so much love for you in this room, Tom! And it is SO well deserved!

Tom, it is such an honor for me to be up here to tell you how much you've meant to our Gramercy Park community over the 47 years you've lived here. You are a compassionate community leader, a dedicated preservationist, a Park Trustee, our Gramercy Park Block Association Archivist, and a caring pastor and mentor to countless people.

Tom, we all know that your accomplishments extend far beyond the boundaries of Gramercy Park, in the areas of social justice, historic preservation, art, community, religion, and so much more.

Our community has always counted on you for your wisdom, compassion and support. We can't thank you enough, for all you have done for us, and meant to us. We look forward to many more years of friendship and leadership.

We sure do love you Tom! And we look forward to seeing you back in this room for your 90th birthday celebration!

Now I'd like to draw your attention to a brief video tribute to Tom from our Gramercy Park Block Association – put together by Alex Nguyen, Matt Veligdan and Kamel Boutros.