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For 50 years, I had the great honor, distinct in deed, to have developed and maintained a cherished professional relationship with Jim Donaldson. It began in January 1969 and lasted until his passing in October 2019. We were contemporaries. We were both born in in 1941 in the Southern part of the USA; we both attended an HBCU; we both earned a PhD degree in mathematics from a Big Ten university; and we both, by choice, decided to spend the majority of our professional careers as faculty and academic leaders at an HBCU. In this presentation I wish to share with the audience some remarkable activities, impactful achievements and recognitions that constitute the Legacy of my Distinguished Colleague, Jim Donaldson, as well as some cherished moments we shared. (Received September 02, 2020)