In Loving Memory of



Lewis Jones

Sunrise: September 1, 1933 Sunset: September 26, 2017

<u>Service</u> Wednesday, October 4, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.

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<u>Obituary</u>

Lewis Jones was born on September 1, 1933 in Carlile, West Virginia. He was one of fifteen children born to Godfrey and Alberta Jones.

After graduating from Dubois High School in Mount Hope, West Virginia in 1951, Lewis, following one of many other Jones family members, joined the U.S. Army. He had a distinguished military tour of service as an Army Paratrooper during the Korean Conflict.

Lewis Jones was also an accomplished athlete and huge sports fan. He was a tremendous baseball player who pitched for the U.S. Army and semi-professional baseball teams which often played against the Negro League teams. In the mid-1950's, Lewis was scouted by a few professional baseball teams, but tried out for the Pittsburgh Pirates. However, he did not make the squad due to injuries.

In the late 1950's, Lewis migrated to New York taking up roots in Harlem where he worked as a carpenter and chauffeur until his retirement in the mid-1990's. He was an avid hunter and skilled fisherman. Lewis spent many years honing his skills, tracking with his dogs and hunting big game like black bear, deer and alligator or game as small as a squirrel.

Lewis was affectionately known to many as Pop, Lew, Uncle Lewis, Hooks and Grandpa. He was loved and appreciated by all those who met and knew him. This modest man with the strong deep voice leaves behind: two sisters, Margaret and Henrietta; two brothers, Frank and Eugene; his son, Lavern Jones; two granddaughters, La'Kecia and Sha'dena; two grandsons; his companion of 25 years, Jeanette; and a host of nephews, nieces and cousins who all loved him dearly. He is predeceased by sisters, Isabell, Violet, Kaye, and Joyce, and brothers, Godfrey, Matthew, Harold and Carol, and Vincent and George.

Order of Service

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Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Final Disposition

Oxford Hills Crematory Chester, New York

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stav that way. I found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, ves these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free!

-author unknown

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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