



Deacon Ewing

December 27, 1932 - September 19, 2007

EWING, Deacon Granvel O'Neal - Age 74, passed away Wednesday, September 19, 2007 at Hurley Medical Center. Family hour 10:30AM Saturday, September 29, 2007 at House of Prayer Missionary Baptist Church, 1851 W. Carpenter Rd., with funeral service commencing at 11AM. Eld. Kenneth L. Stewart officiating. Family and friends will assemble at the church 10:30AM Saturday. Deacon Ewing will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 12Noon-8PM Friday. Deacon Granvel O'Neal Ewing, the older of two children was born to Sammie and Geneva Tasby Ewing on December 27, 1932 in Washington, County, Texas. At a young age, Granvel moved to Austin, Texas with his parents, where he attended elementary, junior and senior high school, graduating from L. C. Anderson High School in 1952, where he excelled in football and track. He continued his education at Prairie View A and M University in Prairie View, Texas graduating with a B.A. degree in Industrial Education with emphasis in the area of auto mechanics. Granvel later earned his Masters Degree from the same university in 1958. He taught in the Austin Independent School District as well as coaching track and field and football at his high school alma mater. Granvel came to Flint in 1971. After arriving in Flint, using his entrepreneur skills, he opened Ewing Auto Service Center. He also began his teaching career with the Flint Community Schools at Northern High School as an instructor of auto mechanics and coached track and field at Mott Community College at the same time. In 1979 he obtained a Specialist

Degree from Eastern Michigan University in Educational Leadership. He retired from the Flint Community Schools in 2002. Granvel accepted Christ at an early age and became a member of Sweet Home Baptist Church in the Clarksville area of Austin, Texas. He is a member of House of Prayer Missionary Baptist Church, Flint, MI, where he served faithfully on the Deacon Ministry. Granvel was a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. He loved traveling, gardening, repairing and restoring automobiles. Granvel had a good rapport with the students he taught as well as the students he coached, teaching them the value of fair play and academic achievements. Deacon Granvel O'Neal Ewing leaves to cherish his memories: 2 nephews, Steven O'Neal Ewing and Perry Scott Ewing; 2 great-nephews, Neal Scott Ewing and Preston Anthony Ewing; sister-in-law, Mamie Hans Ewing; guardian, Bobbie J. Ewing; several cousins and many devoted friends including, Mr. and Mrs. Ray (Margaret) Gillard, Rev. and Mrs. Robert (Estelle) Rawls, Johnny Sanders, Deacon Melvin Gillespie, Carolyn Deloach, Robert Doncontell, Mr. and Mrs. Henry (Ann) Rankins, Arnett Miller and Countess Cabell. Mr. Ewing was preceded in death by his parents, Sammie and Geneva Tasby Ewing.

Tribute Wall



“ *Deacon Ewing*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Mr. Ewing was one of the realist and best teachers I ever had, and I will never forget what he taught me in Auto fundamentals and auto tech. And I would never forget how he could never say my last name!! He'd say "B-O-N-D-O-N" when he called row in class! (laughing)*

He said that he could discipline me just because he knew my aunt!

to a true man, rest in peace, Mr. Ewing

Delora Younger - September 19, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *With Deepest Sympathy to the Ewing Family. Sometimes things happen and there's nothing anyone can say or do to make it better. It just takes time~~ time to cry, time to heal, time to be...Mr. Ewing was truly a dear friend and neighbor and will be greatly missed*

Mr. & Mrs. Theron L. Mason - September 19, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our condolences are sent with deepest regrets in the passing of Deacon/Mr. Ewing. He was a great friend and most trustable and dependable mechanic there is to be known.

He was very kind and considerate. Everyone whose life has been touched by Mr. Ewing will certainly miss him and be affected by his passing, whether it is his associations at church as a deacon, his students at Northern, previous track runners whom he coached, friends/acquaintances, and customers.

One of Mr. Ewing's most enjoyable outings was to go to the Red Lobster in Saginaw, MI every Friday evening. He was well known and liked by the entire staff. They treated him like a king. They knew exactly what, when, and how he wanted his tea, cheesecake, and food to be served. He ate the same thing on every visit.

His other favorite pastime was to go to his shop, hang out with his longtime mechanic Robert, work on the cars, his ER Service truck, greet customers and people on the street with a smiling face, and a ?what?s up doc!?. A good and faithful servant, our buddy, our friend, a job well done?You will truly be missed!

Marilyn McGlory - September 19, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ My thoughts and prays goes out to Mr. Ewing's family. I have worked with Mr. Ewing at Flint Northern High School. Mr. Ewing is a one of a kind person and he will be missed by all.

Anita Riley - September 19, 2007 at 12:00 AM