



Mr. Edward Return "Bud" Vanderson

June 4, 1924 - May 23, 2019

VANDERSON, Mr. Edward Return "Bud" - Age 94, passed away Thursday, May 23, 2019 at Hurley Medical Center. Family hour 10:30 AM Wednesday, May 29, 2019 at Metropolitan Baptist Tabernacle, 930 E. Myrtle Ave., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Rev. Dr. Herbert Miller III, officiating, Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, G-4200 Belford Rd., Holly, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:30 AM Wednesday. Mr. Vanderson will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM Tuesday. Brother Vanderson was born June 4, 1924, at his grandmother's home to Joe and Maggie Vanderson in Roxie, MS. He was the oldest of three children. Brother Vanderson accepted Christ at an early age. He was baptized at Spring Hill Baptist Church in Roxie, MS and was a member of Metropolitan Baptist Tabernacle Church in Flint, for 58 years. Brother Vanderson attended Franklin County Public Grammar School and graduated from Brumfield High School in Nachez, MS. He attended Alcorn State University, 1951-1953, and was a Golden Diploma recipient class of 1955. He was also a very proud member of the Flint/Saginaw Alumni Chapter of Alcorn State University, Lorman, MS. Brother Vanderson was a World War II Veteran. He enlisted in the United States Navy in 1943 and was stationed in Illinois, Idaho, and Oakland, California. He often talked about his life in the Navy. His experiences/duties were cooking, helping other Black service men complete forms and transport the remains of Black soldiers. After the war ended,

Brother Vanderson received an Honorable Discharge. He married Cora Allen on February 12, 1951 in Roxie, MS. They were married for 67 years and to this union there were six children. They moved to Flint, MI for a better life. Brother Vanderson was a Skilled Die Maker. He retired, after thirty-two years of services from Chevrolet Manufacturing in Flint, MI. Brother Vanderson was a very supportive grandfather. Dort Community School awarded him a Certificate of Recognition for Boys Basketball Team Driver. He transported his eldest grandson's entire basketball team, in his brown Chevy van, to all of their games. Brother Vanderson enjoyed fishing, hunting, woodwork, and repairing cars, but most of all, he loved Cora's cooking. He had a photographic memory of dates and experiences of his life. Brother Vanderson told the best detailed stories.

Brother Edward Return Vanderson leaves in God's hands: sons, Alkin Vanderson of Flint, Glen Vanderson (Gloria) of Madison Heights, MI, Jessie Vanderson and Enos (Linda) Vanderson; daughter Wyvette Weathers Malafa, all of Flint; grandchildren, Tharia Vanderson, Andwele Weathers, N. Nginya Malafa, T. Njoh Malafa, and Eynnus Vanderson; step-grandchildren, Marisa Frasure and James Frasure; sisters-in law, Anna Green of Fayette, MS and Mary Allen; cousin, Percy Malone (Vera), all of Flint; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Brother Vanderson was preceded in death by his wife of 67 years, Cora Lee Vanderson; infant son; parents, Joe and Maggie (Thomas) Vanderson; sisters, Daisy Mason and Elnora Johnson; and special niece, Phillis Mae Jo Vanderson.

The family of Brother Edward Return Vanderson would like to thank all of you for your incredibly kind words and prayers. Special thank you to Pastor Miller and Metropolitan Baptist Tabernacle Family, Maplewood Manor and Sister Sarah Hunter-Tucker.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAY 28. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.
Flint, MI 48505
(810) 789-MOON (6666)
lemoonfhflint@gmail.com
<http://www.lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

Family hour

MAY 29. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Metropolitan Baptist Tabernacle
930 E. Myrtle Ave.
Flint, MI 48505

Service

MAY **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Edward Return "Bud" Vanderson*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Betty Wesley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Return "Bud" Vanderson*



Betty Wesley - June 05, 2019 at 12:32 PM



“ *To the Vanderson family uncle Bud the man, son brother, father, uncle, friend and caretaker will be missed this man done and cared for his family. took his sister's handicap child in and cared for her like she was his own until she passed, when he went she went Mississippi amusement parks visiting famliy he did a lot that others wouldn't do, nursing homes and other facilities were out the question. A good man, God Has given him longevity now its time for him to rest May the good Lord give you the strength to take you through this difficult time, praying with you and for you.*



Debra Davis - June 03, 2019 at 08:54 AM

PC

“ *The Pasadena Church Family extends our deepest heartfelt sympathy to the Frazer and Vanderson Family. We are praying for you all that God will strengthen you during this time.*



Pasadena COG - May 29, 2019 at 09:22 AM

PS

“ *Peggy Stribling lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Return "Bud" Vanderson*



Peggy Stribling - May 28, 2019 at 10:21 PM

BW

“ *Betty Wiggins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Return "Bud" Vanderson*



Betty Wiggins - May 28, 2019 at 04:28 PM

KR

“ *Kermit & Genell (Crain) Reeves lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Return "Bud" Vanderson*



Kermit & Genell (Crain) Reeves - May 27, 2019 at 03:35 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Edward Return "Bud" Vanderson.



May 27, 2019 at 11:55 AM



“ Anita Harris lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Return "Bud" Vanderson



Anita Harris - May 27, 2019 at 02:06 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers to my Vanderson family...I love you all. Uncle Bud was a great uncle...I have lots of great memories! Rest peacefully uncle Bud.

Nicole Fluker aka NuNu - May 26, 2019 at 11:54 PM



“ Nicole Fluker Aka NuNu lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Return "Bud" Vanderson



Nicole Fluker aka NuNu - May 26, 2019 at 11:52 PM

JW

“ *Janice Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Return "Bud" Vanderson*



Janice Williams - May 26, 2019 at 09:15 PM

JK

“ *Jesse Kirksey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Return "Bud" Vanderson*



Jesse Kirksey - May 26, 2019 at 12:48 AM

ST

“ *Prayers for all my cousins, love you guys, your cousin star and family*



star - May 25, 2019 at 11:28 PM

ST

“ *In memory of uncle bud, you will be missed*



star - May 25, 2019 at 11:26 PM

CO

“ I am deeply sorry for your loss. Death is never natural, even when a loved one has lived many years. May you look forward to God's promise of restoring the earth to a paradise, where sickness and death will be a thing of the past. (Isaiah 25:8)



Collier - May 25, 2019 at 07:37 AM

WH

“ Wanda Harrison lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Return "Bud" Vanderson



Wanda Harrison - May 25, 2019 at 12:12 AM

IH

“ Iris J. Hare lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Return "Bud" Vanderson



Iris J. Hare - May 24, 2019 at 05:31 PM

TF

“ The Williams Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Return "Bud" Vanderson



The Williams Family - May 24, 2019 at 12:30 PM

MP

“ *MINISTER PAM lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Return "Bud" Vanderson*



MINISTER PAM - May 24, 2019 at 09:23 AM