



Mr. Holliace Pen Spencer

December 9, 1943 - July 7, 2018

SPENCER, Mr. Holliace Pen - Age 74, passed away Saturday, July 7, 2018 at Hurley Medical Center. Family hour 4:30 PM Saturday, July 14, 2018 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 5:00 PM Min. Kenneth Willis officiating. Interment 10:30 AM Monday, July 16, 2018 at Great Lakes National Cemetery, G-4200 Belford Rd., Holly, Michigan. Family and friends will assemble at the funeral home 4:30 PM Saturday. Mr. Spencer will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, and may be viewed from 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM Friday.

Holliace Pen Spencer died July 7, 2018, after a long battle with Alzheimer's. He was 74.

Holliace was born December 9, 1943, in Fort Worth, Texas, the first born child of Holliace Spencer and Cora Mae (Batts) Spencer. His father proudly gave him his name, and his mother added the middle name of her brother, Pen, which quickly became his family nickname.

Holliace grew up with his six sisters in Fort Worth, but summers were spent on his aunt and uncle's farm in Jefferson, Texas. Holliace rode horses, played and worked the crops.

He fell in love with reading in elementary school, and that love continued his

entire life. He started college at Huston Tillotson, a historically black college in Austin, Texas, and finished his bachelor's degree at the University of Michigan-Flint. He also served as an Army medic during the Vietnam War and was later Honorably Discharged.

Holliace devoted his life to helping others, and was proud of his work in the Model Cities program in Flint, Michigan, and his decades of service at the state of Michigan's Office of Services to the Aging. He received numerous awards, including the Valley Area Agency on Aging Lifetime Achievement Award, Exemplary Service Honor and the President's Award from the Area Office of Aging of Northwest Ohio, and the Pioneer Award for 35 years of service from the Valley Area Agency on Aging.

Holliace was preceded in death by his parents, and three siblings; Nelda Nadine, Clara Abigail, and Sharon Fredrica. He is lovingly remembered by his two daughters, Dara Spencer and Pamela de la Fuente (David); two grandchildren, Thomas and Maria de la Fuente; three siblings, Shirley Rae (Wade O'Neal), Cora Patricia (Arthur Gene Williams, Jr.), Ethel Jean Miller, many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Holliace's memory can be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Fl. 17, Chicago, IL 60601.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUL **13**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, Inc., Flint
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.
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Family hour

JUL **14**. 4:30 PM (ET)

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Service

JUL 14. 5:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Holliace Pen Spencer*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Dara & Pam, my prayers are with you during this hour. Sorry that I am so far away; I am with you on spirit. Remember that the Lord holds you on his righteous right hand. Isaiah 41:10.*
Mama Shelley

Theodora Shelley - July 14, 2018 at 01:25 PM



“ *My sincere condolences go out to the family of Holliace Spencer. May God bless each of you during this difficult time I had the pleasure of working with Holliace at the Office of Services to the Aging for many years.*



Marcia Civils - July 13, 2018 at 10:27 AM



“ *Kino Coursey and Susan Pirzchalski purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Mr. Holliace Pen Spencer.*



Kino Coursey and Susan Pirzchalski - July 13, 2018 at 03:18 AM

FB

“ I worked with Holliace for several years and he was a good friend. My sympathy goes out to his girls and his family. May the peace of God be with you during this time. He was a strong advocate for seniors of Michigan. Our family will keep you in prayer.
Flora & Mike Boles

Flora Boles - July 12, 2018 at 10:22 PM

PF

“ Pat & Arthur Williams & Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mr. Holliace Pen Spencer.



Pat & Arthur Williams & Family - July 12, 2018 at 02:45 PM

PM

“ Pamela Leigh Mitchell-Hightower lit a candle in memory of Mr. Holliace Pen Spencer



Pamela Leigh Mitchell-Hightower - July 12, 2018 at 12:07 PM