Jimmy Powell

March 25, 1916 - May 1, 2009

POWELL, Mr. Jimmy R. - Age 93, passed away Friday, May 1, 2009 at Heritage Manor. Family hour 1:30PM Saturday, May 9, 2009 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing immediately at 2PM, Pastor Archie Powell, Jr., officiating. Interment Lovedale Memorial Cemetery, G-5175 E. Bristol Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the funeral home 1:30PM Saturday. Mr. Powell will lie in state in the chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. and may be viewed from 1PM-8PM Friday. Mr. Jimmy Rogers Powell fondly referred as “Big Time Jimmy” was born March 25, 1916 in Rison, Arkansas to James and Juda Powell. Jimmy lived in Gary, Indiana, for a number of years before moving to Flint, Michigan. The city he made his permanent home for over 60 years. Jimmy worked at General Motors for several years before retiring and starting his own business, buying himself 30 horses, that he trained and a stable that was open to the public for riders from all over Genesee County. He later worked for Zerka Food Store, formally known as Coal and Wood, where he took pride in himself on being not only a family friend of the Zerka family, but a very popular Armed Security Guard as well. Jimmy had several joys in his long-lived life, but not many like a garden that would become one of the most beautiful and plentiful gardens a person may have ever seen. Jimmy also enjoyed trumping through the woods hunting. In his last days Jimmy demonstrated his loved for family, courage, strength, honor and exemplified what it really means to be a prestigious

Powell! He leaves to cherish his loving memory: 3 daughters, Vernita Wood of San Francisco, CA, Judy Pruitt and Sharlet Johnson; son, Billy Powell, all of Flint; 7 grandchildren, Charles Burns of San Francisco, CA, Angel Burgess of Flint, April McGruder of Cleveland, OH, Lonnie Johnson, Sharlet Johnson, Josephine Johnson, all of Flint and Landers Pruitt III of Atlanta, GA; 25 great-grandchildren; 41 great-great-grandchildren; 2 sisters-in-law, Mary Franklin and Jewel Lee Powell, both of Gary, IN; life-long personal companion and family friend of 50 years, Nancy Foster, who always had his back, and he always had hers; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends including all the Powells everywhere. Mr. Powell was preceded in death by his wife, Mable S. Powell; daughter, Patricia Powell; 4 grandchildren, George Burns, Ronnie Hobson Jr., Sherita Hobson and Baravis Thomas; 4 sisters; and 3 brothers.

Tribute Wall

Jimmy Powell

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Billy, I am really sorry to hear about the death of your father...Stay stong and many blessings to your family...

Liz Franklin - May 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM