



Morise Burns

June 16, 1939 - December 12, 2008

BURNS, Mr. Morise - Age 69, passed away Friday, December 12, 2008 at Hurley Medical Center. Family hour 10:30AM Saturday, December 20, 2008 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing immediately at 11AM. Family and friends will assemble at the funeral home 10:30AM Saturday. Mr. Burns will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, and may be viewed Saturday from 10:30AM-11AM during family hour only. Mr. Morise Burns was born June 16, 1939 in Dumas, Arkansas, the son of Albert and Estella Burns. He attended the Flint Public Schools. Morise was a three-time Golden Gloves state champion in the 1950s and 1960s. He won state titles in the flyweight division in 1958 and 1960 and a bantamweight crown in 1964. Morise reached the national Golden Gloves finals in 1964 in Louisville, Ky., where he had to fight twice in one day after his quarterfinal bout was postponed so contestants could watch the Cassius Clay-Sonny Liston fight on closed-circuit TV. He enjoyed gardening and fishing. Mr. Morise Burns leaves to cherish his memory: son, Juan Blackmon of Kansas City, MO; 4 granddaughters; 6 great-grandchildren; mother, Estella Burns of Flint; 4 sisters, Dorothy Nash of Midland, MI, Jimmie Delois Stubbs, Brenda Burns both of Flint and Lenois Crosby of MO; 3 brothers, David Burns of Detroit, MI, John Burns of Washington State and Solomon Burns of Flint; 12 nieces; 16 nephews; a host of other relatives and friends including special friends, Leon (Bumper) Lawson, J.W. Jackson and caregiver, Bertha Robinson. Mr. Morise Burns was

preceded in death by father, Albert Burns; 4 brothers, Leroy, Renold, Calvin, Napoleon Burns; 2 sisters, Phyllis Burns and Sandra Leatherberry Burns and grandmother, Minnie Swift. The family would like to express special thanks to Hurley Medical Center Staff.

Tribute Wall



“ *Morise Burns*

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