



Mr. Sanders Hardy

August 18, 1921 - July 15, 2017

HARDY, Mr. Sanders - Age 95, passed away Saturday, July 15, 2017 at his residence. Family hour 10:30 AM Tuesday, July 25, 2017 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, G-4200 Belford Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the funeral home 10:30 AM Tuesday. Mr. Hardy will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and may be viewed from 2:00 PM-8:00 PM Monday, with family present to receive friends from 4:00 PM-6:00 PM.

Sanders Hardy was born in 1921 in LaGrange Georgia to the union of James Hicks and Bessie Moses Hardy. He was the 3rd of 4 children, who preceded him in death. When Sanders was young, both his parents passed away, so he and his siblings went to live and be raised by his aunts and uncles. He was educated in the Georgia Public School System. Being a great football player, he attended Morris Brown College on an athletic scholarship. Sanders didn't obtain his degree because he was called to protect our country and was drafted into the United States Army. His dream was to become a Tuskegee Airman.

Sanders met the love of his life at an early age. They were neighbors and Erma was a friend of his baby sister Mildred. Even though there was a 7 year age difference between them, Sanders' family knew that someday Erma

would become his wife. Now, Erma's father did not feel the same way. Trying to keep the love birds apart, he moved his family to Michigan. That didn't deter the determined Sanders from his future bride. He soon moved to Michigan as well. They married when Erma was the tender age of 16. At first Papa Hand didn't want this union, but later on down the road he stated that he couldn't have ask for a better son-in-law. To this marriage 4 children were born. He was a great husband and father. Before starting his career at Chrysler, Sanders was a Streetcar and Truck Driver.

Sanders was a faithful member of First Progressive Missionary Baptist Church until his illness. He loved playing golf, dominoes, bid whist and pinochle. At 90, he was still able to beat his younger teammates. He also became a loyal member of the fraternal order of the Masons. Sanders and his wife were very social. They hosted many gatherings at their home. Everyone was always welcomed. They felt like the more the merrier. He was a beast on the BBQ grill. Family and friends would always bring him their ribs to cook for them.

Sanders Hardy leaves to cherish his memories: son, Alfred Jerome (Diane) Hardy; 2 daughters, Vanita Mitchell, Vernessa James Robinson (Cedric); 13 grandchildren, Gregory Hardy, Sean Hardy, La Tanya Smith, Leslie Mitchell Jr, Anita Mitchell, Juanita Mitchell, Vanita Mitchell, Lionel Mitchell (Erica), La Vette Hardy, Alicia Hardy Woods (Anthony), Jacqueline Hardy Wilson, Terrell James (Janitta), Ariel James; 17 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-granddaughters; adopted granddaughter, Tracy Conley; a special cousin Harvey Thornton (Yvette), a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Sanders was preceded in death by his wife of 63 years, Erma Lee Hand Hardy; son, Stanford Jerome Hardy; son-in-law, Leslie George Mitchell Sr.; and daughter-in-law, Ruth Wilson Hardy.

The family would like to express special thanks to Heartland Hospice for the

excellent service they provided to our loved one.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUL 24. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.
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Family Present

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Sanders Hardy*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Rosalind Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Sanders Hardy*



Rosalind Smith - July 29, 2017 at 06:53 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mr. Sanders Hardy.*



July 24, 2017 at 09:29 PM



“ *Louvella Miller lit a candle in memory of Mr. Sanders Hardy*



Louvella Miller - July 24, 2017 at 03:25 PM

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“ *Annette & Warren Marks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Sanders Hardy*



Annette & Warren Marks - July 24, 2017 at 02:34 PM

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“ *Sending my condolences!*



Amy givens - July 23, 2017 at 05:04 PM

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“ *Annette Carlisle (Tuttie) lit a candle in memory of Mr. Sanders Hardy*



Annette Carlisle (Tuttie) - July 22, 2017 at 02:28 PM

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“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the entire Family.*



Tresia Givens - July 20, 2017 at 11:39 PM



“ *Nay Hardy & Ja'Kobee Our Thoughts And Prayers Are With Y'all
And The Entire HARDY FAMILY..*

The Jordan Family..

J - July 18, 2017 at 11:10 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for
the family of Mr. Sanders Hardy.*



July 18, 2017 at 11:28 AM