



Mr. Willie James Dennis

May 6, 1929 - February 28, 2025

DENNIS, Mr. Willie - Age 95, passed away Friday, February 28, 2025 at his residence. Family hour 10:00 AM Thursday, March 13, 2025 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Elder Veotis Jones, officiating. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, G-4200 Belford Rd., Holly, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the chapel 10:00 AM Thursday. Mr. Dennis will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and may be viewed Wednesday, March 12, 2025 from 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM, with family present from 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM to receive friends. Mr. Willie James Dennis also known as "Bill" was born on May 6, 1929 in Woodville, Texas. He was raised by his grandparents Josephine and John Monk and attended high school in Silsbee, Texas. Prior to moving to Michigan, he had 2 sons named Willie James Dennis and Willie Earl Dennis. He enlisted in the United States Army and served in the Korean War where he received a Purple Heart. Willie moved to Michigan in the 1950's. After his Honorable Discharge, he returned to Flint, Michigan and began working at Buick Motor Company, a division of General Motors Corporation, where he was employed for over 40 years. He met and married Cotie Marie Horton and from this union they had a beautiful baby girl, named Sherry Lynn Dennis. He was a member for many years at Ebenezer Baptist Church and later joined New Jerusalem Full Gospel Baptist Church. Bill enjoyed hobbies such as watching sports with his favorite being football and his team the Detroit Lions. He also enjoyed going to the Kentucky Derby

and playing his “numbers.” When he was able, Bill was known for walking at least 10- 20 miles on a regular basis for over 20 years. Mr. Willie J. Dennis leaves to cherish his memory: daughter, Sherry Lynn Dennis of Flint; sons, Willie James Dennis Jr of Kirbyville, TX and Willie Earl (Jana) Dennis of Texas City, TX; grandchildren, Tihesa (Shatan) Mack, LaToya (Darryl) Whitley, Kenneth Thornton, Stacy (Cocoa) Dennis, Angelique Dennis, Latasha (Ural) Vinson, Tina Dennis-Horn, Kenesha Dennis-Barnes and Ashley Dennis. He has 22 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great grandchildren. Willie also leaves to cherish bonus daughter, Valerie F. Jackson and close friends Ms. Evelyn Ward, George Cooper, the Bradley and Richardson families. We would like to commend his daughter Sherry Lynn Dennis for the exceptional care she provided for her father for over 20 years. Mr. Dennis was preceded in death by his grandparents, Mrs. and Mr. Josephine and John Monk; and ex-wife/special friend, Cotie Marie Jackson. The family would like to thank his aide Arletha (Lisa) Chaney for her long-time dedication in helping with his care. The family would also like to thank his barber, Marko Morris, Shelia of the Valley Area Agency on Aging-Meals on Wheels program, his primary care physician, Dr. K. Calloway and staff, the staff at Henry Ford Genesys and Regency Skilled Nursing Facility both in Grand Blanc, MI.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Viewing

MAR 12. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

MAR 12. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Willie James Dennis* ”



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - March 13, 2025 at 08:42 AM

VL

“ *Vincent Lipford lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie James Dennis* ”



Vincent lipford - March 12, 2025 at 04:44 PM

JM

“ *Jeannie Mayberry lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie James Dennis* ”



Jeannie Mayberry - March 11, 2025 at 04:55 PM

ST

“ Praying for our Family Uncle Bill was a Great Soldier And When illness Attacked His Body he Fought Back. Amazing Husband, Great Dad, Grandpa Uncle And Friend And Much More to all who knew Him R.I.P.

susan thomas - March 11, 2025 at 04:07 PM

SC

“ We extend Prayers and Condolences to The Family! From All Ushers at NJFGBC!!



Sylvia Cabell - March 10, 2025 at 05:27 PM

GC

“ Gloria Cason lit a candle in memory of Willie Dennis



Gloria Cason - March 06, 2025 at 10:51 PM

VJ

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Valerie Frances Jackson - March 03, 2025 at 11:20 AM

VJ

“ *Bill...we will miss you dearly! I know you and mom are having a great reunion right about now!!!*



Valerie Jackson - March 03, 2025 at 11:12 AM