



Clark Lewis Dennard

February 14, 2018

Clark Lewis Dennard was born February 21, 1937 in Sebring, Florida to the beautiful union of Samuel Lewis and Ruby Clark Dennard (both deceased.) Clark was the oldest of seven gifted children who gave their hearts to Christ as a result of their parents prayers and Godly example in the home.

Determined to seek for better employment and a better life for his family, the patriarch of the family heard about more freedoms and opportunities in the North and so moved his family from the deep South to Detroit.

In Detroit, Clark graduated from Pershing High School in June, 1955. In 1956, he enlisted in the U.S. Army, stationed at Fort Ord Military Base in California where he was an Electrician, Specialist E4. In 1957, he married Zinzel (deceased) and was blessed with three beautiful children, LeZel (Nikki), Clark F., and Christa. He was in the Army Reserves until 1962.

After completing his military service, Clark returned to Detroit in the '60s, where he started at Ford Motor Company, then switched to retail sales in downtown Detroit at Good Housekeeping Appliance. He was a salesman by day, and a jazz man at night, playing standing bass and bass guitar on the local jazz scene like the 20 Grand Club. They performed original tunes and cover songs like "Windy" and "Tighten Up." Traveling with his band, his love and passion for music was inspired and continued throughout his life. He also completed his education at Wayne County Community College, majoring in Music.

The next chapter of his life led him to Toledo, Ohio in 1980. He met Diane's

mother, Iris Parker (deceased) at church, who in turn, introduced her daughter to Clark. They quickly became a couple and married on July 10, 1982. Their blended family added Diane's beautiful children Pamela and Scotty (deceased.) Clark and Diane moved to Florida, where they put down roots in Melbourne. Clark held multiple sales jobs over the years and owned a flower and gift shop "Artistic Custom Design." Diane and Clark were blessed with 35 years together, their family and little house on Mill street was always full of love, laughter, BBQ ribs, homemade rolls, pies, and trips to the beach. Clark leaves to cherish his memory a wonderful family spread across the country. Daughters - LeZel Monique Jacobs (Michigan), Christa Nicole Briscoe (husband Ken, Michigan), Clark Fitzgerald Dennard (Florida), Pamela Clark (Ohio.) Seven grandchildren, Farah Jacobs Fuentes (husband Omar, Georgia), Makeda Jacobs (Florida), Ronald Jacobs Jr, (Michigan), ST3 Akeem Jacobs (active U.S. Navy California), Hailey Briscoe (Univ. of Michigan), Tiffany Briscoe (Michigan), and Shayla Moriarty (husband Jim, Ohio.) Two great-grandchildren, Geo Fuentes and Greyson Moriarty. Five siblings, Cynthia Alexander (California), Anthony Dennard (wife Flora), Idella Atkins, Carla Appleton (husband James), Miranda Dixon (husband Robert) Michigan residents. He also leaves his last Aunt, Juanita Mullins (his mother's youngest sister) and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, neighbors, and friends.

Clark was preceded in death by many loved ones including his sister Elaine, and two grandchildren Imani Jacobs and Rasaan Jacobs.

Wake 10:00 am Funeral 11:00 am Saturday @ Dale-Riggs Funeral Home Chapel

Interment Historic Woodlawn Cemetery

Tribute Wall

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“ Please accept my heartfelt sympathy in the loss of your loved one. May the God who "binds up the brokenhearted" and "comforts all who mourn" sustain your family during this difficult time. Isaiah 61:1,2

G. Town - February 24, 2018 at 04:02 PM

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Now and in the days ahead of this Easter season, may Jesus our God of comfort hold you all in the palm of His hand as you remember and celebrate Clark's life legacy. He will not be forgotten in the hearts of all who knew him. 'Precious Lord, take my hand...lead me home'.

G. Town - February 26, 2018 at 04:09 PM

PJ

“ Our sincere condolences to the family of Mr Clark Lewis. May your loving memories and God's love bring you comfort during this time if sorrow and in the days to come.

Pat Jones - February 24, 2018 at 09:34 AM

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“ Our deepest sympathies. Jim Sr. and Toni Moriarty

Jim Moriarty - February 24, 2018 at 12:38 AM

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“ The Mingo Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Clark Lewis Dennard.



The Mingo Family - February 23, 2018 at 06:17 AM