



Lawrence Quinn

May 3, 2009

Lawrence Calvin Quinn, 70, was born in Toledo, Ohio September 30, 1938 to the union of Lovie Camper and Robert Quinn Sr. He departed this life May 3, 2009 at the Hospice of Northwest Ohio after a four year illness with lung cancer. It was a long hard battle that he fought until the end.

Lawrence was “Larry” to some and “Calvin” to his close friends and family. He was educated in Toledo Public Schools and graduated from Jesup W. Scott High School in 1956. He was an All-City football player in 1955 and also played basketball for Braden United Methodist Church. He joined the U.S. Army after graduation and was honorably discharged May 1960. He then resided with his sister Lorean and her family in Las Vegas, Nevada. After a brief stay he then moved to Los Angeles, California where he lived with his sister Hattie Carter. With her encouragement and help, he enrolled in West Coast Trade College and received a degree in Architectural and Mechanical Engineering.

He returned to Toledo in 1964 and found employment with the firm Samborn, Stekette Otis and Evans also known as SSOE working there for three years. He then went to work at New Community Development Department in 1980 where he was a project coordinator working on several projects with the late Wayman Palmer and Inez Nash. He worked in the Warren Sherman area for 15 years. He was then shifted to City of Toledo as a supervisor with the

construction engineers. A knee injury in 1991 caused him to retire after 25 years of service.

Mr. Quinn was well known in the community for his many good deeds and volunteer work. He was head coach with a Mid-City football team from 1964 to 1971 at Fulton School also a volunteer assistant coach at Scott High School from 1971-1973. He was a loyal fan of Scott High School, a Scott booster, and served on the Scott Hall of Fame Committee for ten years. Though he was ill, he still worked hard for the renovation of Scott. He also was an outspoken critic of the "Building for Success Program" and for the rights of minority workers.

He was an Ohio State fan and although the Cleveland Browns have been losers for the last few years, he was still loyal to them.

He loved the CNN news channel, history, his family, and enjoyed telling about his Army experiences to anyone who would listen. He assisted Anthony Quinn in tracing the Quinn Family roots, which dated back to the 1600's. He was an artist and his expertise was in drawing portraits. He loved "old school" jazz and romantic love songs. He never had kids of his own but was a surrogate father to many, always trying to lead them on the right path of life. He was a past member of St. Matthews Consistory #24 Amazon Lodge FAAM and Mecca Temple #43 Shrine. In 2001 he was baptized and joined Christ Inspirational Ministries Church.

He was preceded in death by both parents, sisters: Hattie Carter, Osceola Banks, and Elnora Cook, brothers: Harold David Quinn and Robert Quinn Jr., and nephew Kim Williams. He leaves with special memories sisters: Homer Lee Hamer, Velma Shoecraft, Lorean Whitaker, and Janet Wyatt. Also, longtime companion Rev. Kathryn Que'Price, her children, and grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews other relatives and friends. Thanks to all the

caregivers at Hospice of Northwest Ohio.

Visitation will be 4-6p.m. Friday followed by wake service from 6-8p.m. funeral service 11a.m. Saturday all at Dale-Riggs Funeral Home Chapel. Rev.F. Michael Robey pastor of New Birth North Church Atlanta, GA, officiant, burial Historic Woodlawn Cemetery. www.dalefh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *RIP..*”

E - July 14, 2014 at 02:06 PM