



Mr. Benjamin Harrison Enlow Jr.

April 10, 1928 - July 26, 2015

Benjamin H. Enlow Jr. was born on April 10, 1928 in Janesville, Wisconsin to Benjamin & Vernia Enlow, Sr. He was the youngest of five children. His parents and siblings preceded him in death. Benjamin, more commonly known as Ben was never married; however, had many friends. His closest friends and loved ones called him Uncle Ben. In high school he played football and was also on the swim team. After graduating from Janesville High school in 1947, Ben graduated from Midway TV School with a degree in TV IRadio. He moved to Chicago and worked in a hotel for a period of time. He later joined the military where he served in the Army from 1951-1953. As a Sergeant, he received a metal for Meritorious Service stating he displayed superior proficiency and leadership. He also received a Letter of Commendation praising him for his devotion, loyalty, honesty and outstanding work for his time in the Korean War.

After the military, Ben moved to Milwaukee and obtained an Accounting degree. Although he was qualified to work in the area of his study, no one would hire him. However, Ben was known for overcoming the odds and for being ahead of his time with his thinking. In 1965, Ben decided to open his own business, and with his business savvy, managed the popular Black Orchid for 15 years. The Black Orchid, frequented by many, was a very well known tavern in

Milwaukee whose kitchen served delectable steaks and some of the biggest shrimp in town. Ben also owned liquor businesses in Milwaukee on Hopkins Street and Ben's Liquor on North 27th Street which was in business for over 2; years. Ben had keen business knowledge. He loved to read the newspaper and kept abreast of current events. He enjoyed The Packers, collected memorabilia and took pleasure in watching detective shows. He was fashion forward and often wore polished winged tipped shoes.

Ben was loving, kind and giving. He was to the point and a say it like it is type of man. He always had concern for those in need and went out of his way to help others. In April of 20 11, he gave his life to Christ while having dinner with his adopted family and friends. We all rejoiced together with the angels in heaven.

On July 26,201 S, Ben transitioned to new life, He leaves to cherish his memory his niece, Marilyn Gibson of Memphis, TN; nephew Curtis Wright (Rosetta) of Beloit, WI; cousin Grace Enlow of Michigan, and cousin Phil Dobson of California; adopted nephew and niece, Vandie and Cremear Mims, Milwaukee, WI; and a host of great nieces, great nephews, cousins and friends. We will greatly miss him.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 4. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Northwest Funeral Chapel
6630 W. Hampton Ave
Milwaukee, WI

Service

AUG 4. 1:00 PM (CT)

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