



Mr. Cliff Crawford

November 3, 1932 - July 16, 2019

Cliff Crawford was born on November 3, 1932 in Aliceville, Alabama to Fletcher and Fannie (Hughes) Crawford. He graduated from Sommerville Industrial High School in Aliceville, Alabama in 1951 and was a star running back on the football team.

Upon high school graduation Cliff moved to Milwaukee Wisconsin and worked at Rex Chainbelt in West Allis, Wisconsin as a chain assembler. He was drafted and served in the United States Navy as an aircraft mechanic from December 8, 1955 to December 27, 1957. Being discharged from the navy, he returned to Rex Chainbelt from 1958 - 1968. His entrepreneurial spirit led him to owning and operating his dump truck working for Fairway Trucking Company from 1968 through his retirement in 1992.

He was a devoted member of St. Mark AME Church in Milwaukee, Wisconsin beginning in 1959. He served as a Class Leader, chaired the Membership Committee, The Men's Sher Board, the Senior Steward Board and was a founding member of The St. Mark AME Credit Union and The Men's Fellowship Club. Cliff loved cooking, especially greens, ribs, fried corn and, his famous potato salad. He enjoyed the outdoors by fishing, hunting and making his annual trips to Arkansas for deer season. Cliff also loved gardening, watching basketball, and was a Milwaukee Bucks Fan. Cliff met the love of his life Inadelle Brooks of Monticello, Arizona and married her as his bride on August 1, 1958 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. They were devoted to each other and happily married for over 61 years. This union was blessed with

two sons Keith Lovett Crawford and Kenneth Lovell Crawford.

Cliff was called to his heavenly home on July 16, 2019. He was predeceased in death by his parents Fletcher and Fannie Crawford, five sisters; Anna Mae Hinton, Ocie B. Summerville, Cassie Crawford-javine and, Camiller Crawford of Aliceville Alabama, Dorothy Thompson of Milwaukee Wisconsin. Four brothers; Simon Crawford and Eddie Mack Crawford of Tuscaloosa Alabama, Rufus B. Crawford, Jeff Crawford Sr. of Milwaukee Wisconsin. He leaves to mourn in his passing and cherishing memories, his devoted and loving wife, Inadelle Crawford, Milwaukee Wisconsin. Sons; Keith (Cindy) Crawford of Rockford Illinois and, Kenneth (Julie) Crawford of Los Altos Hills, California. Granddaughters, Ashley (Davon) Hollingshed of Davenport, Iowa, Nicole Crawford of San Francisco, California and, Maya Crawford of Los Altos Hills, California. Two great-grandchildren, Auriana Hollingshed and Davon Hollingshed Jr. of Davenport, Iowa. Brother; Fletcher (Willie) Crawford of Milwaukee, Wisconsin and, a host of loving nieces, nephews, relatives and, friends.

Cliff was known for his utmost integrity, hard work, devotion to and, love of God and family. He displayed this spirit throughout his life and engrained it into his sons and family. He will surely be missed but never forgotten.

Cemetery Details

Southern WI Veterans Cemetery

21731 Spring St.
Union Grove, WI

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 22. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Northwest Funeral Chapel
6630 W. Hampton Ave
Milwaukee, WI

Visitation

JUL 23. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mark AME Church
1616 W. Atkinson Ave
Milwaukee, WI

Service

JUL 23. 11:00 AM (CT)

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