



## Mr. Harry Schaffer

January 1, 1939 - December 28, 2019

Harry Schaffer was born in Bentonia, Mississippi on September 11, 1939 to the late, L.F. Shaffer & Josie Bell Jones. He was known by many names: Schaffer, Bubba, Papa, and Unk. He was the fifth eldest of 13 children. Having a good work ethic and strong family bond was instilled in him at a very young age. Schaffer enjoyed sharing his childhood stories about working in the cotton field as a kid and being paid little or nothing for sometimes fourteen-hour workdays. As he reminisced and told the stories, he would smile, shake his head, and often say "Yeah, I've made it through a lot". Schaffer received his formal education in Yazoo, Mississippi. He valued education and made sure it was a priority to his children and grandchildren. Schaffer left home at the age of seventeen to pursue employment opportunities in Detroit, Michigan and later relocated to Milwaukee, Wisconsin with his eldest sister, Laura Bell. She took him in and raised him along with her children, which continued the tight family bond throughout his life. His nieces and nephews never looked at him as an uncle; they treated him more like an older brother. Schaffer united in marriage to Ella Mae Spencer in his early twenties. They divorced shortly after but remained good friends. He started working for Quality Aluminum Casting company as a molder in 1961. He loved his job and took great pride in working for the same company for 42 years. He retired in 2003 and relocated to Arlington, Texas in 2010. After relocating to Texas, Schaffer started going to church (The Potter's

House), traveling more, and spending more time with family. He enjoyed watching the Rangers play, weekly Popeyes chicken runs, and talking about cars. He thoroughly enjoyed being retired and living in Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents, son, Jerry Hartman, brothers, L.F. Shaffer Jr, Willie Shaffer, Sammie Shaffer, sisters; Judgie Lee Brown, Laura Bell Wilkerson, Josephine Morrow, Lucille Sulton, & Caledonia Williams and a special friend, Carlene Smith.

Harry Schaffer, beloved father and grandfather, entered eternal rest January 1, 2020 in Arlington, Texas. He is cherished in memory by children, Kenya (Kenneth) Evans, Tristan Ramsey (daughter, Trinita), Lance Rogers (children, Miracle, Tilanna, Melanie, Lance Jr.

and Janae), Darniece Rogers (children, D'Marion, D'Maria, Darneice Jr, Carter, Savannah) and Karesse Johnson; his bonus children, Carla Smith, Kenny Smith (Sharon), Edward Smith (aune) and Jacqueline Smith (Bobby); his sister, Beulah Berry (Earl); brothers, L.J. Shaffer, Marshall Shaffer and Ozell Shaffer (Carolyn); He shared an unbreakable grand-father/granddaughter bond with his two eldest granddaughters, Khayla and Khadija. He had a host of nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Glen Oaks Cemetery

4533 N. Greenbay Ave.  
Milwaukee, WI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 17. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Northwest Funeral Chapel  
6630 W. Hampton Ave  
Milwaukee, WI

## Service

JAN 17. 1:00 PM (CT)

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