



Mr. Lemuel Ruth Sr.

April 15, 1953 - April 18, 2020

On a chilly April 15, 1953, in Asheville, North Carolina, God blessed the union of Emanuel Ruth Sr. and Mary Alice Ruth with a baby boy. They named Lemuel Bishop Ruth, he was the third of three sons born to their union. The family relocated to Chicago. Lemuel demonstrated his love of Christ by joining Mt. Calvary Church of God Holiness under the leadership of Elder Charles Allen. He served as a choir member, Sunday School Teacher, youth leader, Deacon, Local Minister and Elder mostly under the leadership of Elder Byron Dunn. Later, Elder Lemuel moved his membership to St. John Baptist Church under the leadership of Dr. A. Edward Davis. Lemuel spent most of his life in Chicago Illinois, he was educated within the Chicago Public School System. He graduated from Lane Technical High School in 1971. He furthered his education at Chicago State University and Chicago City Colleges and received training in many disciplines at his jobs. In 1977, he married Paula Brown of Atlanta Georgia and God blessed this union with a son, Lemuel Jr., and a daughter Yolanda Maree.

Lemuel's passion was printing, a skill he learned in high school. He applied that trade

at several companies, and at Chicago State University where he worked for twenty-five years before retiring. He also assisted Taylor Funeral Home in Chicago as a minister assistant and driver until ill health forced his retirement. He also assisted many grieving people with funeral arrangements for their loved ones.

His other passion was preaching, with his booming basso-profundo voice, he could

electrify listeners with an enthusiastic delivery of The Word, often intertwining humorous

anecdotes to add clarity and rouse listeners interest. He also loved to sing and his favorite solo was "Don't Let The Devil Ride" (Cause if you let him ride, he'll want to drive), his favorite scripture was Romans 8:28: "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

Lemuel's journey ceased Saturday morning, April 18th, three days after his 67th birthday.

Lemuel is survived by his son, Lemuel Jr., daughter Yolanda Maree, brothers, Emanuel Jr.

and William. Sr., granddaughter, Kierra, goddaughter, Tiffanie Seals and his special friends

and caregivers, Kanyn Sconiers and her husband, Timothy Sconiers, extended family, church family, job families, neighbors and friends.

Cemetery Details

Glen Oaks Cemetery

4533 N. Greenbay Ave.
Milwaukee, WI

Previous Events

Visitation Only

MAY 7. 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

Northwest Funeral Chapel
6630 W. Hampton Ave
Milwaukee, WI