



Mr. Lonnie Powell

July 30, 1938 - November 11, 2024

A circle of love and faith concluded for Lonnie Powell, born into Lonnie and Dorris' (King) family as their third child of Dyersburg, Tennessee, on July 31, 1938. On November 11, 2024, at the age of 86, he departed this earthly realm from his cherished home in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Lonnie's story is one of adventures and decisions that punctuated his journey. After his first year pursuing higher education, Lonnie steered his course toward Milwaukee in the early 1960s, seeking new avenues that destiny promised.

Here, he met Mildred Gilmore, who became his devoted wife in 1963, and together they wove a tapestry of harmony and family, ever enriched by the community bonds they forged.

Lonnie worked at A.O. Smith Corporation as a tool and die setter for 40 years. But settling into retirement was anything but sitting at home. He worked various part-time jobs that involved driving because he loved to do so. Spirituality was a cornerstone of Lonnie's life, transforming further as he embraced Catholicism in the 1980s and committed to serving within the Knights of Peter Claver—roles he took on with great affection and diligent dedication. The camaraderie and service he found there mirrored his innate joyfulness that was always present, whether talking about the triviality of local sports or the nuances of local politics.

The loss of their cherished young daughter, Susan, in 1986, brought immense sorrow but also strengthened Lonnie's bond with his kin and church

community. His daughter's success in medicine and in education around emergency services in Detroit and Nashville filled his heart with pride, a testament to his enduring influence and guidance.

Grandfather hood was Lonnie's crown jewel, and he relished being actively involved in the lives of Caleb and Danielle Tyson. Every grandchild's milestone and achievement, from graduations to personal triumphs, was met with Lonnie's exuberant presence. His joy overflowed when he escorted Dorris down the aisle not once, but twice, in her journey to happiness with Melvin Alexander, welcoming him warmly into their family.

Lonnie's welcoming demeanor and genuine affection made him beloved by all, ensuring no person remained a stranger for long. His infectious smile and his warm handshake were his signature in his beloved Milwaukee community and church groups.

Lonnie leaves behind his cherished wife, Mildred J Powell, and daughter, Doris E Powell Alexander, while reuniting in eternity with his predeceased children, Susan E Powell and Gregory Carter. He also has 4 sisters; Willie-Doris Burns, Mary Gary, Carolyn Norwood (William) and Trena Powell all in Denver,

Colorado along with a stepmom, Mrs. Birdie Powell. His younger sibling is his brother, Milton Powell, of Dyersburg, Tennessee. He also has a host of nieces and nephews, and cousins.

The Powell family extends grateful acknowledgments to those who shared Lonnie's journey, made brighter with hearty laughter and spirited discussions that included everything from Wisconsin teams' escapades to the banter of Cowboys and Packers rivalries. Lonnie's enduring legacy is the indelible mark of a life fully and well-lived, a blessing to us all.

Cemetery Details

Wisconsin Memorial Park

13235 W. Capitol Dr.
Brookfield, WI

Previous Events

Vigil

NOV **15**. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

All Saints Catholic Church
4051 N. 25th Street
Milwaukee, WI

Tribute Wall

VS

“ I got to know you better during my mother's last days in this life I appreciate the time you spent with her the happiness joy and smile you would always put on her face and the good conversations we had about living and about life my mother always called you Tony...Now your with her and all the family that have transitioned on in spirit...My sincere condolences and prayers for comfort for you family... Lonnie Jr. rest easy my cousin transition well.
R I.P. 🙏



Von Cox Sr. - November 16, 2024 at 10:58 PM

EC

“ I will always remember Lonnie Jr through out my baseball year's my prayer's are with the family Edward Cork Jr

Edward Cork - November 16, 2024 at 10:05 PM

FW

“ Words cannot express how sorry we are for your loss. May the sweet memories of Lonnie give you comfort in the days ahead. I will never forget all the good times I have shared with Lonnie, Mildred and the family. We send our love and prayers to Mildred, Doris and the family.
Frances Wade (cousin) and family

Frances Wade - November 15, 2024 at 08:35 AM

DS

“ God bless you and your family love you and keeping you in my prayers

Delilah Smith - November 14, 2024 at 07:15 PM

GP

“ My prayers are with you and your family at this time. We will always remember the fun memories we have had throughout the years. If you need anything please feel free to reach out to me. Your cousin Gwen Partridge (402-740-7824) and family from Omaha, Nebraska.

Gwen Partridge - November 14, 2024 at 03:50 PM

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“ Our love condolences and prayers are with you all at this time and always ., We love you all, We're so sorry that we were unable to attend Lani's home going celebration. Love and prayers., Cousins Ralph , Mary Lou and Rosie Lee

Rosie Hicks (Starks) - November 13, 2024 at 10:33 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mr. Lonnie Powell.



November 13, 2024 at 02:38 PM