



## Mr. William Benjamin "Lightning" O'Quinn, Jr.

February 14, 1943 - October 8, 2025

Mr. William Benjamin "Lightning" O'Quinn, Jr., age 82, passed away peacefully at his home, on October 8, 2025, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Born on February 14, 1943, in Odenburg, Louisiana, William was the beloved son of the late Reverend William B. O'Quinn, Sr. and Ammie Jackson O'Quinn. He was baptized at an early age by the late Reverend Joseph Holmes at Pleasant Green Baptist Church, in Odenburg.

His life was guided by faith and strength, as reflected in the scripture he held dear: II Timothy 4:7-8 - "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith ... "

William graduated from Paul Lawrence Dunbar High School in Simmesport, Louisiana. He went on to work as a contract laborer for many years—a career marked by dedication and resilience—until his health no longer permitted him to continue.

Affectionately known as "Lightning," William's presence left a lasting impression on those who knew him. His life journey was one of perseverance and devotion to family.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his loving wife of 37 years, Mary Inez

Pittman O'Quinn, of Denham Springs, Louisiana; one son: Darrell W. O'Quinn, Sr. of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; one daughter: Carolyn A. O'Quinn (Rufus) of Pineville, Louisiana; and on~ stepson: Derrick Patterson, Sr. (Bridget) of Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

William is also remembered by his brother Aaron O'Quinn of Pineville, Louisiana; two sisters: Hattie O.

McGlaston (Johnnie) and Thelma O. Powers (Anthony), both of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; five grandchildren: Peter J. Lofton IV (Marilyn) of Alexandria, Louisiana; Darrell W. O'Quinn Jr. and Dierra S. o 'Quinn, of Milwaukee; Derrick Patterson Jr.; and Decyra Scott of Baton Rouge; along with a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends, who will miss him dearly.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife and mother of his children, Darrell and Carolyn - Alice Marie Parker O'Quinn; two brothers: Clarence O'Quinn and Alvern O'Quinn; and one sister: Ada O'Quinn Dixon.

# Cemetery Details

## Union Cemetery

3175 N. Teutonia Ave.  
Milwaukee, WI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 20. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Northwest Funeral Chapel  
6630 W. Hampton Ave  
Milwaukee, WI

## Funeral Service

OCT 20. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Ada&Walter Dixon Sr. Kids and Grandkids purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mr. William Benjamin "Lightning" O'Quinn, Jr..*



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**Ada&Walter Dixon Sr. Kids and Grandkids** - October 17, 2025  
at 05:33 PM

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“ *I thank you Father God for the years you gave me with my daddy!! He was and will always be my superhero!! Loving you as always.. your Butterfly 🦋 Lisa*

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**Lisa Harper** - October 10, 2025 at 04:11 PM