



Benjamin Earl Pettiford

July 29, 1944 - April 4, 2019

God will continue to watch over his children...

Benjamin Earl Pettiford transitioned to his new life, Thursday, April 4, 2019. He was born July 29, 1944, in Clairton, PA to Earl and Hester Pettiford. Preceded in death by his parents, his wife Algie Mackey-Pettiford, his brothers James Glenn and Jeffrey Pettiford, his sisters, Bonita Pettiford and Diane Pettiford-Hood.

Bennie attended B. F. Stanton Junior High School in Alliance, Ohio. Also, he attended Clairton High School where he ran track. He left school at the age of 18 and joined the army. He was stationed in Korea and then in Texas. He loved Do Wop music. He also had a group that was in talent shows with the O'JAYS. When he came home he would line his younger siblings up and teach them songs and dance steps. He was a member of the American Legion and the Hollywood Club in Clairton, PA. His profession as a Truck Driver took him around the country, which he loved. He worked many years as a Roofer in Austin, TX.

Bennie's life will be celebrated by brothers, John Pettiford (Pearl) and Jerrell Pettiford; sisters, Belinda Brown (Leon), Barbara Hayes (Mike), Brenda Dolman (Craig) and Karen Pettiford (Roy); brother-in-law, Patha Hendricks (Faye); children, Miranda (Wanda) Pettiford, Maurice McCall, Orlanda Mackey (Donald B.), Felicia Henson (Donald) Barry, Gary, Larry, Curtis, Kiona and

Shonta Mackey; 25 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews, cousins and friends.

Our Family Chain

We never knew that morning
That God would call your name.
In Life, we love you dearly;
In death, we do the same.
It broke our hearts to lose you.
But you did not go alone,
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.
You left us beautiful memories,
Your love is still our guide,
And though we cannot see you,
You are always by our side.
Our family chain is broken
And nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one
The chain will link again.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 16. 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Ave.
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Celebration of Life

APR 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Tribute Wall



“ *Benjamin Earl Pettiford*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

March Funeral Homes - April 10, 2019 at 11:38 AM