



## Calvin C. Watkins

August 28, 1926 - November 9, 2001

Calvin Coolidge Watkins, Sr., son of the late John and Lovey Watkins, was born on August 28, 1926, in Baltimore, Md. He departed this life in his home on November 9, 2001 after a lengthy illness. Calvin, or “Sport” as he was so well known, served in World War II under the U.S. Navy and often told stories about his experiences and travels around the world. Sport was the neighborhood dad and everyone knew him for his tough love. He took no shortcuts and had the tendency to “tell it like it is.” Sport was the kind of man that you could call for advice on anything. He attended public schools until the 6th grade when he went on to gain employment to help take care of his mother as well as his brother and sisters. Although Sport only had a 6th grade education, one would not know it because he loved to read, and did so quite often; he helped his children and grandchildren with home assignments each and every school year. Sport loved to read the Sunday paper and watch the Discovery Channel. Shortly after his service in the United States Navy, he went on to work for Roadway Express Trucking Company for thirty-five years until his retirement in 1991. Unknown to most Sport grew up with the nickname “Plink” which was given to him by his mother, because he loved to hit the keys on the family piano, which made the sound “plink” when her hit them. Sport was a devoted husband to his lovely wife of 29 years, Gladys C. Watkins. Together they raised five children, and four grandchildren. Sport leaves to rejoice in his homegoing: his loving and devoted wife, Gladys C. Watkins; two daughters, Rosalind Walters and Carolyn Smith; two sons Calvin

C. Watkins, Jr., and Kirk Ivan Watkins; one sister, Rose Hines; two brothers, Benton (Big Babe) Watkins and Neal (Little Babe) Watkins; predeceased by three brothers and three sisters, Ivan (Buddy) Watkins, Elmer (Nooky) Watkins, John (Bootsy) Watkins, Ursula M. Taylor, Annie (Teenie) Overton, and Catherine Brown; one predeceased son, Rodney R. Hicks. Sr., one son-in-law, Melvin Walters, Sr., two daughters-in-law, Pamela Watkins and Allison Watkins; five grandchildren, Rodney, Jr., Chekesha, Melvin, Roshell and Calvin Coolidge Watkins, III. He also leaves seven sisters-in-law, five brothers-in-law and a host of other relatives and friends.

# Tribute Wall



“ Calvin C. Watkins

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“ May the God of Perfect Peace be with you always. We love you very much.##imported-begin##Floyd And Robin C. Brice##imported-end##

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“ Gladys Sport was always such an important part of Clyde's life .We will surely miss him .MAY GOD Keepyou in his ARMS##imported-begin##BARBARA R. SMITH##imported-end##

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“ GLADYS, WE'RE SENDING OUR PRAYERS & REGARDS TO YOUR FAMILY. GOD BE WITH YOU ALWAYS. ELLA,DENISE,JIM JIM,& MONIQUE##imported-begin##ELLA HALL & DENISE MATTHEWS & FAMILY##imported-end##

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“ Carolyn R. Smith and Family, Our Thoughts and Prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Edward & Darlene Scott##imported-end##

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“ *May God bless you and be with you in your time of sorrow. May He give you strength and hope to meet each new tomorrow. He has said I will never leave thee nor forsake thee... Hebrew13:5*  
*Sincerely, The March Family and Staff##imported-begin##The March Family and Staff##imported-end##*

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