



## Earl Purnell Jr.

April 7, 1927 - January 6, 2011

EARL PURNELL, JR. was born in Baltimore, Maryland on April 7, 1927, to the late Earl Francis Purnell and Sadie Harmon Purnell.

“Earl” as we would always say, attended the Baltimore City Public School System. As a young man he was called to fight in the United States Army, during World War II. There he was awarded The Army of Occupation Medal and World War II victory Medal. In 1976, Earl retired as a foreman from the Pennsylvania Railroad, now known as Amtrak. To his co-workers he was known as “Hot Water”.

After his discharge he met and married Bernice Felton Purnell, born from this union were three children, Sylvester Felton, Earline A. Purnell and Earl Purnell Jr.

Earl was called home on January 6 2011, to be with God. “Earl” was a very kind and gentle man. He always placed family first. He always showed unconditional love for his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

He leaves to mourn: his wife of sixty-three years, Bernice Felton Purnell; a daughter, Earline A. Purnell; two sons, Earl Purnell, Jr. and Sylvester Felton; a granddaughter, Trina R. Moore who was more like a daughter to him; along with sister, Isabelle Johnson, Bessie Brown, Sarah Purnell and Gloria Bracey;

on brother, Thomas Purnell; along with six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews.

# Cemetery Details

## Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road  
Owings Mills, MD

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 11. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore  
1101 East North Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21202  
(410) 727-3300  
info@marchfh.com

## Family Hour

JAN 11. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Wake

JAN 12. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Earl Purnell Jr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I would like to give my love and condolences to the family. Mr. Earl will truly be missed he was a gentle and kind person. Although it's difficult today to see beyond the sorrow, May looking back in memory help comfort your tomorrow.*



**Cheryl Dunnock** - January 12, 2011 at 10:32 AM



“ *Take comfort in the Lord, Him and Him alone can comfort your heart and bring you peace at this time of your sorrow for your father. My prayers are with you and your family.*



*Jewel Fegan-Porter  
Atlanta, GA*

**Jewel Fegan-Porter** - January 12, 2011 at 08:10 AM

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“ I would like to express my condolences to each member of the family as you cope with the loss of your loved one. A wonderful hope is held out for each one of us as God’s children. “There is going to be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous.” Acts 24:15. Where will this take place, Psalms 37: 10,11, verse 29, “The righteous themselves will possess the earth, and they will reside forever upon it.” May these words be of comfort to you.

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**Rowland Gaunt** - January 10, 2011 at 06:17 AM

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“ Please accept my condolences for the loss of your loved one. Acts 24:15 lovingly declares "There is going to be a resurrection." May you receive much comfort and strength from this wonderful hope that will be made possible by Jehovah God and his only-begotten son Jesus Christ.

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**Sharon Hill** - January 08, 2011 at 12:29 PM



“ 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.

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**March Funeral Homes** - January 07, 2011 at 01:45 PM