



Leroy M. Bean Jr.

August 7, 1926 - October 17, 2013

At the age of 87, LEROY MERRILL BEAN, JR. departed this life on Thursday, October 17, 2013 at the University of Maryland Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland. Leroy Merrill Bean, Jr. was born at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland on Saturday, August 07, 1926 to the late Leroy and Nina Franklin Bean. He was the first born of ten children in that union and all family members called him "Junior". He spent his early childhood with his family in Dowell, Maryland in Calvert County. In early 1940, the family moved to Baltimore City after fire destroyed their home and six of his siblings perished along with his grandfather. Leroy attended school in Calvert County, Maryland. He enlisted in the United States Army (Army Air Corps, 3 years) during World War II and received an Honorable Discharge in 1946 with the rank of Corporal (CPL) from Lockbourne Army Air Base in Columbus, Ohio. Leroy was an Airplane Engine Mechanic, receiving the Good Conduct Medal, American Theatre Ribbon, the Victory Ribbon and the Army Air Forces Certificate of Appreciation for War Services. Leroy served at The Lockbourne Army Air Base (renamed Lockbourne AFB) during the tenure of General Benjamin Davis (one the African-American Tuskegee Airmen of World War II). In his youth, he was a member of John Wesley United Methodist Church of Baltimore along with his parents and brother. He later joined Bethel AME Church (the church of his grandmother and sisters) under Rev. John R. Bryant and served on the usher board. From Bethel, Leroy became one of the founding members of Adams Chapel AME Church in 1982 under Rev. Michael

Thomas and his wife, Rev. Debyii Thomas. At Adams Chapel, he served on the Board of Trustees, was an usher and the church general maintenance/handy man, painter, carpenter, and lawn keeper. In 1993 he completed Boot Camp at Adams Chapel under Rev. Raymond Banks and Rev. Rashi Pinckney. Adams Chapel honored him as, "Man of the Year." The Trustee Board honored him for his dedicated service in making a difference to the church in November, 1995. In order to be closer to his home, Leroy later joined Falls Road AME Church under Rev. Arthur B. Glover where he served as a member of the Senior Usher Board, Male Usher Board and Senior Ministry. In April of 1999, Mayor Kurt Schmoke presented him with a Certificate and Award of Merit for civic welfare and public service to Baltimore City. Leroy was employed as a mixer for Lux Toilet Soap and Dove at Lever Brothers Company for 45 years and never missed a day of work! He retired in August, 1988 as a charter member of Phase III Retirement Club, Inc. and former treasurer of the Phase III Retirement Club, Inc. It was at Lever Brothers that he met Carmen Bullock Barnes. They married at Bethel AME Church in May, 1976 with Rev. John R. Bryant officiating the wedding. They were blessed in their union with a daughter, Nina Denise in 1978. Leroy loved watching and reading the news and sports as well as the reading the Bible, Ebony and Jet magazines. He enjoyed all "ball related sports", especially baseball, football and tennis. He enjoyed tennis even more when the Williams Sisters played. His hobbies and activities included: fishing, traveling to Calvert County with family, and staying in touch with the Bean & Franklin family members both in Calvert County, and across the country. Leroy enjoyed keeping busy by doing yard work, cleaning and maintaining his car, home maintenance, volunteering at church and in the neighborhood and visiting friends.

Cemetery Details

Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road
Owings Mills, MD

Previous Events

Public Viewing

OCT **25**. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
4300 Wabash Avenue
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Wake

OCT **26**. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

OCT **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Leroy M. Bean Jr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *To the family of Leroy M. Bean Jr.:*

Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. Death is the enemy of all mankind, yet when it touches us personally, few seek the comfort they search for. The doctrines that are taught concerning death find their origins from men and not the Bible. As a result, they fail to leave those who are grieving with comfort or a hope. They do however, leave many with unanswered questions. The response that "God works in mysterious ways" or that "God needed another angel", does not satisfy the spiritual needs of those who are grieving. However, many have found comfort in the pages of God's word the Bible (2 Corinthians 1:3, 4). In God's word we find the promise that we can be reunited with our loved ones (John 5:28,29; Acts 24:15). The Bible tells us where this happy reunion will take place (Psalm 37: 11, 29; Matthew 5:5). We are told why we die (Genesis 3:17-19; Romans 5:12), and that the God of the Bible will end death forever (Isaiah 25:8; Revelation 21:3,4). Learning the truth about Jehovah, the God of the Bible (Psalm 83:18), God's Kingdom (Daniel 2:44), and the state of those who have died (Ecclesiastes 9:5), is the start to finding true comfort concerning loved ones who are sleeping in death (John 11:11-14; John 8:32). For more information please visit the website jw.org.

A Friend - October 29, 2013 at 01:47 AM

LF

“ We express condolences to your family. May you find comfort from Jehovah God's Word The Bible. He assures us at 1 Corinthians 15:26 that "the last enemy death will be brought to nothing." Also, He promises the resurrection hope, based on the sacrifice of His Dear Son, Jesus Christ. Sincerely, Linn & Family

linn family - October 26, 2013 at 05:52 PM

RM

“ Nina and family, I know in this time of grief words can be of little consolation but i offer my condolences to you and yours. Yet i also know that your family has your strong and ever providing faith and love to carry you through. I am here for you if you need an ear to listen or a shoulder to cry on.
With love
The Mincher Family

Rose Mincher - October 22, 2013 at 02:07 PM

PL

“ I would like to send my condolences to the family. When someone we love dies its very painful. But the Bible talks about God doing away with pain at Rev 21:4. May the God of comfort provide solace to your family at this time.

Peggy Land - October 21, 2013 at 01:29 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.

March Funeral Homes - October 18, 2013 at 01:55 PM