



Orville Warren Underwood, Jr.

January 11, 1921 - March 21, 2015

Orville Warren Underwood, Jr. was born on January 11, 1921 in Baltimore, Maryland to the late Orville and Marverly Underwood. He was the third of five children Russell (dec.), Agnes (dec.), Eldridge, Hermella (dec.) and Frederick (dec.). Most of the children were taught to be great paper hangers from their father who was an entrepreneur. Orville could hang wallpaper seamlessly.

Orville met Cordelia Jennings, from Crewe, Virginia, when she came to work in Baltimore around 1942. They fell in love and he took the train to Richmond, Virginia to ask her dad, Garfield Jennings, for her hand in marriage. They loved him and welcomed him into their family. Cordelia and Warren married in Baltimore on October 18, 1943.

Orville was employed at the Bethlehem Steel Corporation in Sparrows Point. He retired after 42 years of dedicated service and never missed a day from work. He and Cordelia won dance contests when they were young. Orville could skate like a pro, play jacks, hit the bat and ball, win at card games, shoot pool and learned to be a pretty good golfer.

Orville was a member of the Southern Baptist Church for over 50 years. He enjoyed standing up and clapping his hands to the music and saying "Amen" to the preacher. And he always loved to hear his wife sing on the choir.

When we think of Orville Warren Underwood, Jr., we think of a dedicated husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather who worked hard to provide for his family and raise his children to excel.

He leaves to mourn and cherish his memory: his brother, Eldridge and sister-in-law, Ruby; brother-in-law, Albert Jennings, Crewe, VA; six children, Robert Asa Jennings (Laura) of Bloomfield, Connecticut, Theresa Underwood of Orlando, Florida, Orville Warren Underwood, III (Andre) of Rochester Hills, Michigan, Margaret Underwood of Baltimore, Maryland, Lawrence Underwood (dec.) and Alice Dawkins (Larry) of Cockeysville, Maryland; nine grandchildren, Lance, Sonya (George), Kendrick (Kathleen), Asim, Ayanna (Lawrence), Kimberly (Charles), Justin (Jessica), Melody (Omar), and Morgan; twelve greatgrandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends. After having his children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and brother visit him during his short stay at Stella Maris, Orville departed this life on Saturday, March 21, 2015. Orville, we will miss your great sense of humor, advice, encouragement and wisdom. You will always be in our hearts.

Cemetery Details

Arbutus Memorial Park Cemetery

1101 Sulphur Spring Road
Baltimore, MD 21227

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR 25. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Wake

MAR 26. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Isreal Baptist Church
Preston & Chester Street
Baltimore, MD 21205

Service

MAR 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Orville Warren Underwood, Jr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I used to live next door to Mr. Underwood on 32nd St. The Underwoods werw pleasant and gentle people. To many that knew me in the 32nd St. family I was Dennis the menace and Mr. Underwood was my Mr. Wilson. I always looked up to him and loved being in the company of he and his late wife Mrs. Underwood. I know that they are walking in Heaven hand and hand. I will always remember them and miss them a lot. I wish I could tell him that I'm a teacher now, but he already knows!!! Rest on Mr. Underwood!*

~Latarri

Latarri - July 02, 2015 at 06:21 AM



“ *Thank you all for your many acts of kindness.*

Love,

The Underwood Family



Theresa Underwood - April 04, 2015 at 06:42 AM

SB

“ I am extremely sorry for your loss. I can not imagine the pain you have had to endure. May the God of comfort be with you now and in times to come. God's Word the bible promises the hope of seeing our dead loved ones again. That promise is at John 28,29 and also at Revelations 21: 3,4

Shane Briscoe - March 28, 2015 at 10:09 PM

AL

“ To GOD be the Glory for the life of Mr. Underwood. I'm just remembering those wonderful times when neighbors were just like family back on Lansing Ave. Praying God will comfort all the family during this time. Alease, Wallace Lemmon and family-Jacksonville, FI

Alease Lemmon - March 27, 2015 at 02:40 PM

EB

“ To the Underwood Family. I had to share in your time of sorrow. We grew up together and our families were close. You have my deepest sympathy. During this time is when the Word of God really comes into play. Your loved one lived a long life.

Eldridge O. Branch - March 26, 2015 at 12:38 PM

RR

“ The Ransom Family is in prayer for each of you. We have fond memories of your father and are praying that the love and wisdom he displayed to each of you will be shared with all of your children.

Robert Ransom - March 26, 2015 at 10:44 AM

YF

“ Your IRL Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Orville Warren Underwood, Jr..



Your IRL Family - March 25, 2015 at 08:26 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Orville Warren Underwood, Jr..



March 24, 2015 at 02:27 PM

JS

“ I am sorry to hear about your loss. May the God of comfort be with you in your time of sorrow. Almighty God promises at Revelation chapter 21:3,4 that very soon there will be no more sickness, no more pain, and the last enemy death will be no more

joan s - March 24, 2015 at 12:49 PM

LF

“ Our family would like to express condolences to The Underwood Family. May you find peace and comfort from Jehovah God's Word The Bible where He assures us at 1 Corinthians 15:26 that "death will be brought to nothing". Our prayers are with your family.

linn family - March 24, 2015 at 11:07 AM

MC

“ Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal. May God bless and keep the entire family through these trying times. May His grace be with you all as you celebrate his life



Mr & Mrs Grant E. Craig - March 24, 2015 at 02:26 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 - March 23, 2015 at 03:36 PM