

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Floral Bearers

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I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God has laid you see.
I took His hand when I heard His call
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work, or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I found the peace at the close of the day.
If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joys
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart, and peace to thee-
God wanted me now; He has set me free.

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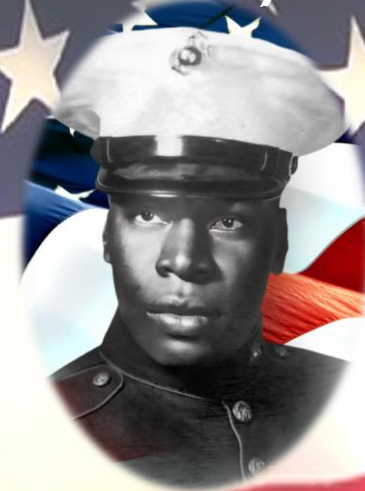
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In
Honor
of your
Memory
Sergeant Earl Stephen Jenkins



Tuesday, September 17, 2024

10:00 a.m.

Heyward A.M.E. Church

*983 Old State Road
Gaston, South Carolina*

Reverend Moses R. Rembert

-Pastor-

Obituary

Sergeant Earl Stephen Jenkins was born on October 2, 1936, in Roselle, New Jersey. He was the oldest child of the late William Cross, Sr. and Vivian Jenkins Cross. He departed this life on Sunday, September 9, 2024. Earl was educated in the public schools of New Jersey and graduated in 1954. After graduating, Earl enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and served our country in foreign and domestic regions.

After his tour of service ended, Earl worked at the United States Treasury Department, in Washington, DC, as Foreman of the maintenance department. He was a dedicated manager and always put 100% into his work. After serving diligently with the Treasury Department, Earl retired and became employed with Walmart as a Senior Greeter and the hospital as a Security Guard. He was always working, and he enjoyed meeting and greeting people.

Earl was baptized and was a faithful and dedicated member of his church in Washington, D.C. He was a current member of Heyward A.M.E. Church, in Gaston, South Carolina. Early enjoyed football and reading the newspapers.

In addition to his parents, Earl was preceded in death by his wife of 30 years, Estelle Jenkins; brothers, Bernard "Sonny" Cross, Terry H. Cross, Michael L. Cross, and William A. Cross, Jr.

Sergeant Earl Jenkins leaves to mourn his passing: his daughters, Dr. Juanita Butler (William) and Shirley Newman (William); his sons, Leonard Giles (Dorothy) and Anthony Moultrie (Gwen); sisters, Arnetta Perry (Wayne) Jacquelyn Greenfield (William), Regina Cross, and Mona Cross; brothers, Jerald T. Cross, Thomas Cross, and Stephen P. Cross (Velda); seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, special friends, Louis and Claydell Simmons, many other loving relatives, and caring friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

Earl fought a good fight and lived a good life. Now, he is in heaven with the angels.

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional

Viewing.....Funeral Directors

Invocation.....Reverend Moses M. Rembert

Old Testament.....Trustee Leonard P. Giles

New Testament.....Deacon William Greenfield

Prayer.....Reverend Moses M. Rembert

Selection.....Mrs. Dorothy Footman

Remarks.....Mrs. Carmelita Williams
Ms. Regina Cross

Words of Comfort.....Reverend Moses M. Rembert

Recessional

Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

12:00 Noon

Fort Jackson National Cemetery

4170 Percival Road

Columbia, South Carolina

Take 77 North to Percival Road, exit 115

Acknowledgement

We, the family of Sergeant Earl Stephen Jenkins, would like to thank you for your acts of kindness during this time of bereavement.