



Mr. Franklin Norah

November 4, 1933 - July 27, 2016

The Journey:

Mr. Franklin Roosevelt Norah was born on November 4, 1933 in Logan, West Virginia, to the late Mr. Mitchell and Callie Norah. Franklin's family believed in the power of education, love and Christ. He was the third child of five siblings and was known by most as "Frank." It is from this training that Frank accepted Christ at a very early age.

Frank attended Aracoma High School. While in high school, Frank participated in the many sports, but he was most outstanding at basketball. Frank and the team were State Champions of the West Virginia High School Basketball Division. During high school, Frank was loved and earned much admiration from his teachers and fellow classmates.

Franklin Norah graduated from Aracoma High School in 1951. After high school, he joined the United States Armed Forces in 1956. He served diligently for several years and received an Honorable Discharge in 1962.

Frank was employed with Sinai Hospital in Detroit as a Medical Technician in the X-ray Department and then with The Boys Republic as a Youth Counselor until retirement.

In 1985, he started AI-Norah with his wife. AI-Norah was an Adult Foster Care

Facility that for over 30 years made a difference in the lives of many. From this entrepreneurial vision, several other locations developed. Frank was very successful with this adventure.

He was respected, appreciated, and honored by everyone that he came in contact with throughout his life. He was described as the smooth, quiet, sophisticated, polite man throughout the Detroit Department of Health and Human Services that referred many clients to his facilities.

Frank was joined in holy matrimony to Mabel in 1962. They loved and shared each day together for fifty-four years until his illness. Frank was a devoted, adoring and affectionate husband. He believed in putting his family first. Frank was always a loving husband to his wife and a loving father to his stepson Tony Watson.

This soft-spoken, smooth, debonair gentleman was a sports fanatic. He enjoyed basketball, football and bowling but his life's passion was cars and clothes. Frank always kept a classy car and he wore the finest clothes in fashion. Frank enjoyed being a fashionisto, trendsetter and the most debonair man in the room. To all that knew Frank, he enjoyed being dressed to impress.

Franklin Roosevelt Norah departed this life on Wednesday July 27, 2016.

Cemetery Details

Acacia Park Cemetery

31300 Southfield Road
Beverly Hills, MI 48025

Previous Events

Family Hour

Wednesday, Aug. **10**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church
1831 Ewald Circle
Detroit, MI 48238

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Franklin Norah*

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“ I will always remember Franklin Norah. Before his long illness, for many years he was a dedicated member of Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church of Detroit, MI, where my late husband (Rev. Dr. Clarence L. Crews) served as Pastor. Brother Norah was a meticulous dresser, who was admired for his extraordinarily, well designed outfits throughout the year. In the wintertime he wore mink coats coordinated with his designer suits, all with appropriate accessories. His suits were in rich colors, and always in unique patterns: bold plaid, color block, or intricate embroidery. During the summer it was not unusual to see Bro. Norah's slender frame resplendent in bright orange, or some other intense color. Even his casual attire was always neat, coordinated and unique. On the other hand, Brother Norah's choice of clothing was in sharp contrast to his quiet demeanor. He served as a faithful Hopewell Trustee, and was always well-mannered and friendly. Along with his loyal wife, Mable, Trustee Norah was also a welcoming host at many church gatherings held at their lovely home, and back yard. Franklin Norah was a Christian gentleman, and I will surely miss him. May God be with Sister Norah and the rest of the family during this time of bereavement and beyond. With love,
Varee Crews

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