



Mr. William O. Harper, Sr.

December 7, 1937 - November 12, 2013

William Otis Harper Sr. was born December 7, 1937 to the union of Sadie Bell Moton and Lawrence Harper. His wife of many years Frankie Aline Harper preceded him in death. Also preceding him in death were his siblings Bernice, Rachel, Mell Jean, Albert and David.

William claimed Christ as the head of his life as a young man. He was a praying man and sought the word daily. William was educated in the Detroit Public Schools system and later became a construction laborer.

As a young man, he met the love of his life, Frankie Aline Perkins and became married. To this union were born William Jr. and Scott and so began his legacy.

Billy, as he was known to most, was a grill master and loved to gather his family together for a delicious barbecue meal. But his gatherings and giving did not stop there. He enlisted others in the neighborhood to sponsor community functions of games, grilling and giveaways. "Paw-Paw" is what his grandchildren called him as well as many of their friends, was well known for his generosity and Santa Claus way of giving. As the family knew "Paw-Paw is my name and spoiling is my game." He would do anything to make sure his family was happy.

Once he knew he had set a solid foundation for his family, he started his journey to eternal rest. He prayed daily and secured his relationship with the Lord. When all was said and done, he went to join his wife Frankie to continue a bond of love that could not be broken even by death.

Previous Events

Visitation

Friday, Nov. **22**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
(313) 838-9770
info@pyefuneralhome.com

Family Hour

Saturday, Nov. **23**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church Southwest Detroit
7642 Gould
Detroit, MI 48209

Funeral Service

Saturday, Nov. **23**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



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