



Mr. William L. Hudson

July 22, 1941 - April 5, 2015

Remembering William L. Hudson

Blessed is the man that walks with God

A Time To Be Born

William (Willie) L. Hudson was born July 22, 1941 in Bessemer, Alabama to the late Willie Hudson and Lucinda (Levels) Pope. Preceding him in death was his wife Macie (Grandberry) Hudson. He leaves behind his sisters Bessie Pope, Doris Adams, brother Charlie Pope Jr. and two sons Darryl Hudson (from first marriage to Richie Sanders) and William L. Hudson Jr. (from second marriage to Macie Grandberry-Hudson) also two grandchildren Darryl D. Hudson Jr. and Destiny D. Hudson, and his fiancée Marcia Carr.

William arrived in Michigan at a very young age and attended Dundee High School where he was on the student council and played three sports basketball, track and football where he broke many school records. In 1960 he won the school's Ham Munson Trophy for being the student with the most athletic ability. He also won many art fairs for his drawings in high school. After high school he joined the army during the Vietnam era. While in the Army he was a Military Police Officer and awarded a Certificate of Recognition for the participation in Lyndon Baines Johnson's Presidential Inauguration. He was also stationed in Korea during his military commitment. After his military commitment he then hired on at Uniroyal Goodrich Tire Company where he

worked until retirement. While working at Uniroyal he went to college and attained his Masters Degree in Mechanical Engineering. William Hudson became one of the country's most prominent and sought after tire inspectors. William Hudson was on Dateline NBC as the expert witness for the plaintiffs in the case against Firestone during the time when Ford Explorers were crashing due to tire blowouts from faulty tire manufacturing. His expert investigation is what won the case for the families that were killed and or injured during that time. After retiring from Uniroyal Goodrich, William became a self-employed consultant for many tire companies for any of their lawsuit cases throughout the world. Most companies would settle the cases out of court if they discovered William Hudson would be the expert witness on the case. William held many seminars for many groups throughout the country; many were police forces and state police forces throughout the country. William felt he could conquer any task and also felt no one can stop anyone from becoming whatever they wanted to become in life. William was a very funny and fun loving guy who worked hard and played harder, and a very big spender. He loved to frequent the bar scene especially the Locker Room in Detroit where he was commonly referred to as the big CAHONA among his peers and he loved every minute of it. William loved to dance, party and drink with his friends and family.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Visitation

Thursday, Apr. **16.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
(313) 838-9770
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Family Hour

Friday, Apr. **17.** 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
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Funeral Service

Friday, Apr. **17**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. William L. Hudson*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Marquetta Clements purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. William L. Hudson.*



Marquetta Clements - April 16, 2015 at 01:29 PM



“ *Andrea "Cookie" Harling purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. William L. Hudson.*



Andrea "Cookie" Harling - April 16, 2015 at 12:07 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mr. William L. Hudson.*



April 15, 2015 at 10:16 AM