



Mr Lawrence Raymond Randall

September 12, 1951 - September 18, 2014

PEORIA - Lawrence R. Randall, 63, of Peoria passed away at 7:54 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, 2014, at his residence.

He was born on Sept. 12, 1951, in Little Rock, Ark., to the late Lawrence Randall and Johnnie L. (Harris) Bell. He leaves behind his wife of 40 years, Theresa Randall.

Lawrence was the pastor and founder of True Spirit M.B. Church. He was truly a family man who loved to fish and bowl. His passion was helping others and working with the youth. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps. After completing his three-year enlistment, he signed up for the U.S. Army for a three-year enlistment.

He leaves to cherish his memory his mother, Johnnie Bell, and his faithful wife, Theresa Randall, both of Peoria; five sons, Derrick Randall of Missouri, Dorral Marsenburg of Little Rock, Ark., and Victor (Armenece) Randall, Patrick (Sonya) Randall and Lawrence Randall II, all of Peoria; two daughters, Iris (Keith) Randall-Evans of Fort Knox, Ky., and Natasha Scott of Little Rock, Ark.; seven brothers, Fredrick Randall of Washington, D.C., Arnett Randall of Peoria, Myron (Deborah) Randall of Grand Rapids, Mich., James Bell and Jeffery (Joann) Bell, both of Peoria, David Bell of St. Joe, Mich., and Denormous Bell of Benton Harbor, Mich.; five sisters, Gerry Stewart of Little

Rock, Ark., Rhonda Randall of Kansas City, Kan., Jamie (James) Bell-Hollins of Peoria and Stephanie (Gerald) Gunter and Thelma Bell, both of Benton Harbor, Mich.; 13 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren; along with a host of uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces, cousins and dear friends who adored him and will miss him dearly.

He was preceded in death by his father and one brother.

A home-going celebration will be at 9 a.m. Friday, Sept. 26, 2014, at Mount Olive M.B. Church, with visitation commencing one hour prior at 8 a.m. The Rev. Jimmie Burnside will officiate, with the Rev. Chuck Brown as host pastor. Lawrence will be laid to rest in Camp Butler National Cemetery.

Arrangements were made especially for Lawrence's family and professionally directed by T.W. Parks Colonial Chapel.

Online condolences or words of encouragement can be made at www.twparkschapel.com.

Cemetery Details

Camp Butler National Cemetery

Clear Lake, IL 62704

Tribute Wall

GJ

“ *Lawrence, I just found out about your passing, although I have never forgotten you. I pray you had a happy or contented life. You are now with our Lord and Savior enjoying paradise. Rest well dear Lawrence...Rest well. Always with fond memories,*
Carolyn Simmons Jones.

Georgie Carolyn Simmons Jones - March 17, 2020 at 05:59 AM

ML

“ *On behalf of the Marine Corps League, Detachment 81, Peoria, Illinois please accept our most sincere condolences on your loss.*

Marine Corps League - September 30, 2014 at 08:49 PM

RG

“ *I was sadden to hear of Lawrence passing. He was a high school friend and we sang in the same choir until I moved to Nebraska in 1973. I have so many good memories of our friendship. He truly was a good man. He will be missed. Love you my friend.*

Ralph Elwyn Gaines - September 29, 2014 at 08:13 AM

LG

“ *Leodis Gupton I sang in a 100 voice choir with Lawrence he as our director and I was the president. We went into the Marine Corps together on the buddy plan. I am so sorry for your loss. I have great memories of traveling the state with him and singing on stage with Mahalia Jackson at the National Baptist convention in LR Ark. and of the time we spent in the corps. When the sad news reached me he had been on my mind about 2 weeks but I did not know how to contact him. What a Guy!*

Leodis Gupton - September 27, 2014 at 08:16 AM

LR

“ *Leah Russell lit a candle in memory of Mr Lawrence Raymond Randall*



Leah Russell - September 26, 2014 at 08:53 PM

LS

“ *To Johnnie Bell: I worked with you years ago at Kimberly Quality Care and wanted to say I will be praying for you and your family with thankfulness for Lawrence's life. I did not know him but I know you Johnnie and he sounds that his heart was much like your own, large and loving and generous and kind. May God be with you all at this time that often holds mixed emotions. We know they have gone home but we miss them ever so much.*

Lynda Telander Stone

Lynda Stone - September 26, 2014 at 10:39 AM