

DO LORD REMEMBER ME



Deacon
Tommie Lee "Buddy" Ward, Sr.

Sunrise: January 14, 1917 ~ Sunset: August 7, 2008

Tuesday, August 12, 2008 at 11:00 A.M.

Salvation Hill Church of God in Christ ~ Elder Abraham Jones, Sr., Officiating

OBITUARY

Tommie L. Ward, Sr. was born January 14, 1917, to the late Willie and Virginia Ward. He professed Christ at an early age. He was united in Holy Matrimony to Corine McPherson on November 11, 1937. To this union eleven children were born.

He was employed with Lakeview Marina until his retirement. He was preceded in death by one daughter, Ada Jean Ward. He served faithfully as senior deacon at Salvation Hill C.O.G.I.C until his death.

Tommie leaves his precious memories to a loving and devoted wife of 70 years; ten children: Bernice (Isadore) Myers of Jackson, MS, Tommie Ward, Jr. (Laura, deceased) of Slidell, LA, Anna Clark of Brandon, MS, Mary V. Ward of Brandon, MS, Willie Ward, II (Mattie) of Brandon, MS, Minnie (Curtis) Brown of Raymond, MS, Annie Mae (Lee Earnest) Burks of Brandon, MS, E.L. Ward (Shirley) of Brandon, MS, Bennie (Joann) Ward of Brandon, MS and Johnnie (Jeannia) Ward of Jackson, MS; one sister, Lillie Mae Cox of Brandon, MS; one god son, Danny (Inola) McCoy of Fannin, MS; one god daughter, Vera Johnson of Brandon, MS; 33 grandchildren, 25 great grandchildren, 2 great great grandchildren; Minister Shaft Brown of Petal, MS, the Wade Bryant Family of Brandon, MS; and the Berry Family of Jackson, MS; his god grandchildren; a dear and special friend, Cecil Franklin of Sandhill, MS, and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

The Wards

They were married when they were not so old;
He was twenty, she was sixteen, I am told.
Although things were hard, they kept their pride,
Daddy worked hard with Mama by his side.

They have eleven kids, **Bernice**, "*sister*", is the first you know,
Then came **Tommie Jr.**, we call him "*Joe*."
Then came **Louise**, "*Mike*" to us;
Next came **Mary (Doone)** who loves to fuss.
Then came **Willie**, a big guy called "*Jack*";
Next was **Minnie**, the smallest in the batch.
Then there's **Annie**, guess that's me,
The seventh wonder God sent Mama and Daddy. (smile)
That was the crop for a five year spell, then up popped **Edgar**, known as **E.L.**
Two years later **Ada** came
Then there's **Bennie**, he's hard of hearing, but he's Mama's just the same.
They always say save the best for last,
But with a guy like **Johnnie**, that proved to be a hard task.
Added to the family are five daughters and four sons
When we are together, there is a whole lot of fun.
Thirty-three grandkids were added to the clan,
Twenty-five great grands and two great-great grands, with more in the plan.
Although we are married and out on our own, where Mama and Daddy are, it still seems like home.
I'm proud of being raised with discipline, love and care
And by the two people who brought us up, with help from God through prayer.

The Children

ORDER OF SERVICE

Mistress of Ceremony-Sis. Earlene Jones

Prelude.....	Soft Music
Processional	
Song.....	<i>"Jesus is the Light"</i> Grandchildren
Scripture	Minister Ray Brown
Prayer.....	Supt. Elder Emmanuel Lang
Words of Comfort.....	E.L. Ward and Annie Burks
Song.....	E.L. Ward
Expressions.....	<i>2 minutes</i> Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reed, Neighbor McCoy Family, Friend
Resoulution.....	Deacon Abraham Jones, Jr.
Solo.....	<i>"Amazing Grace"</i> Annie Burks
Eulogy.....	Elder Abraham Jones, Sr.

Deans Memorial Funeral Director in charge

Recessional

Thanks Granddaddy

For doctoring us when we were sick
For sharing our burdens when we were troubled
For sharing our sorrows when we were sad
For encouraging us when we were disappointed
For picking us up when we fell down
For understanding us when no one else would
For caring when no one else did
For punishing us when we were wrong
For rejoicing with us when we were happy
For crying with us when we shed tears
For trusting us when we made decisions
For teaching us to love and respect each other
Thanks granddaddy most of all, for instructing us in the ways of Christ,
And for being the grandfather that we could love, honor and respect.

Your Grandchildren

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

A special expression of gratitude and appreciation is extended to Crossgates Riveroaks 2-East nursing staff for their most professional medical assistance and compassionate support.

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Tommie Ward, Jr.
Willie Ward, II
Edgar Lee Ward

Bennie Ward
Johnnie Ward
Danny McCoy

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Karnesto Ward
Jonci Brown
Trencie Ward
Antonio Ward
Avery Purvis
Christopher Hartzog

Willie Ward, III
Eddie Nelson
Martin Hartzog
Gary Ward
Jacodi Brown
Derrick Ward

FLOWER BEARERS

Nieces and Friends

INTERMENT

Paradise Gardens

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