



Mr. Joseph Donnell Jr.

January 22, 1930 - February 26, 2018

Mr. Joseph Donnell, Jr. was born January 22, 1930 in Memphis, Tennessee to Joseph Donnell Sr. and Estell Donnell. He had three brothers and one sister who have all preceded him in eternal rest.

Joseph enlisted into the Army at the age of 16 and was a Private First Class; he received an Honorable Discharge in April 1949 in St. Louis, Missouri.

He became a father for the first time at the age of 22 and had 14 children: MelbaDenise Donnell, Debra Maria Donnell, Muriel Drene Douet, Deborah Denise Saunders, Darryl Ambus, Annette Foster, Linda Jo Harris, Antoine Mosby, Tony O. Donnell, Joseph V. Steward, Kimberly Ambus, Joseph M. Ambus, Lou D. Ambus, and Corey E. Ambus. Joseph has been Blessed with 46 grandchildren, 40 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild.

Joseph worked as a cook and a factory worker at General Motors, but his most rewarding occupation was as a Community Advocate. As a Community Advocate he helped people save their homes and kept the system from overwhelming them with red tape. Joseph also fought hard for himself, having a case heard by the Supreme Court of the United States. He was always ready to lend a helping hand or give advice to those who needed someone who cared.

Joseph and Jean had shared much of their lives together and were united in matrimony, in 1999 in St. Louis, Missouri. Jean moved to Mississippi with Joe where they have lived for the past 19 years.

Joseph Donnell, Jr. will be missed as a husband, a father, a grandfather, a great-grand father, and by a host of relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 9. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Service

MAR 10. 11:00 AM (CT)

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