



Mr. O C Longino

January 11, 1949 - February 23, 2026

O.C. "Bunny" Longino, born January 11, 1949, peacefully departed this life on February 23, 2026, at his home. He was born in New Hebron, Mississippi, to the late D.B. and Louvella Longino.

O.C. received his early education at Martin Elementary School and later attended Jim Hill Junior - Senior High School, where he made history as a member of the football team, leaving behind a legacy of athletic excellence and school pride. After graduating in 1967, he answered the call of duty and was drafted into the Vietnam War, where he served honorably as a combat soldier. During his military career, O.C. received The Combat Infantry Badge, Army Commendation medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service medal, Vietnam Campaign medal two overseas bars, Expert M-60, and Sharpshooter M-14.

He is preceded in death by 2 grandchildren, Niesha S. Gray and Dakota R. Gray.

He was a devoted husband, father, brother, grandfather, great-grandfather, relative, and friend whose presence brought strength and warmth to those around him. He leaves to cherish his memory his loving Wife, Mary Ruth Longino; five children: Llewellyn Gray - Longino, Tristan Gray - Longino, Shamekia (Malachi) Mayweather, Nijia (Rodney) Hawthorne, and C'Lessia

Longino; three bonus children: Tonya Sampson, Anna Sampson, and Richard Gray; four siblings: James (Ruegeaner) Longino, Phyllis Lock, Randy (Melody) Longino, and Roderick (Angie) Longino; nineteen grandchildren; and fourteen great-grandchildren. He is also lovingly remembered by a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends.

O.C. will be remembered for his service, his dedication to family, and the lasting impact he made on everyone fortunate enough to know him. His life stands as a testament to resilience, commitment, and love.

Cemetery Details

Mississippi Veterans Memorial Cemetery

248 Honor Circle
Newton, MS 39345

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 1. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Dean Memorial Funeral Home
745 Highway 468
Brandon, MS 39042
(601) 825-3884
<https://deanmemorialfuneralhome.com/>

Homegoing Service

MAR 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

"Lovie" Dean Memorial Chapel
745 Hwy 468
Brandon, MS 39042

Tribute Wall



“ *Dean Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. O C Longino*



Dean Memorial Funeral Home - February 27 at 07:43 PM

BT

“ *Bessie Taylor lit a candle in memory of O Longino*



Bessie Taylor - March 02 at 09:52 AM

VJ

“ *Vergie jackson sent a virtual gift in memory of O Longino*



Vergie jackson - February 27 at 11:46 AM

CM

My deepest condolences to Mrs Mary Ruth Longino and family, my prayers are with you may God comfort you as only he can, be encouraged, God Bless.

Clara M. - March 02 at 11:51 PM

BC

“ *The Jim Hill High School Class of 1967 sends sincere condolences, strength and love to the family of our beloved classmate. O C was deeply loved and will be deeply missed!*

God's richest blessings always,

JHH Class of '67



Brenda Chambers - February 27 at 11:46 AM

RD

“ *Regina Eubanks Dixon lit a candle in memory of O Longino*



Regina Eubanks Dixon - February 26 at 01:26 PM

HG

“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



Harold Grant - February 25 at 06:04 PM

EA

“ *Eddie Ainsworth lit a candle in memory of O Longino*



Eddie Ainsworth - February 25 at 12:21 PM