



Johnnie Clay

May 20, 1925 - January 23, 2010

CHARLOTTE - ****SERVICE IS POSTPONED UNTIL MONDAY FEBRUARY 1ST**** Service for Mr. Johnnie Lee Clay, 84, of Charlotte, NC will be held on Monday, February 1, 2010 at A. E. Grier & Sons Funeral Ceremony of Choice Chapel at 12:00 p.m.

Born in Putnam County, Georgia on May 20, 1925, Clay was the son of the late Love Bell and John Clay of Lincoln County, NC. Clay attended the public schools of Lincoln County, NC.

Prior to moving to Charlotte in 1963, Clay and his family resided in Hickory, NC. From a very young man, Clay was always an entrepreneur. He was the owner of several businesses. To name a few: a cab company, a grocery store, self service laundries and he also owned a fleet of trucks. During this time, he worked at the Hickory Moose Lodge Country Club. For many years, he worked for McLean Trucking in Charlotte, NC. In furthering his entrepreneur spirit, he owned and operated several businesses in the Charlotte area; laundries, dry cleaners and Orbit's Grill. In the 70's, Clay became a real estate investor and landlord. He continued this pursuit until the very end.

Clay was preceded in death by his son; Ozzie Clay and step-son; Robert Michael Long Sr.

Surviving to mourn and cherish his fond memory is his loving and devoted wife of forty years; Thomasena Clay. He is also survived by his sons; Edward Clay (Rose) of Charlotte, NC, Leonard Clay of Silver Springs, MD, and step-

son Larry Long (Karen) of Columbia, SC, Daughters; Linda Clay Grier of Charlotte, NC, Denise Clay and Debra Clay of Durham, NC, Dimiya Morris of Charlotte, NC and one step-daughter; Dorothy L. Evans (Mario) of Huntersville, NC, Grandsons; Donahue Clay, Eugene Clay, Arthur Grier III, Michael Clay, Eric Clay, Allen Grier, Bryant Boyd, Robert Michael Long, Ronnie Long, Larry Long and Mario L. Evans II, Grand-daughters; Stefanie Clay, Kim Simmons, Joi Evans, Kellee Evans and Brandi Evans. He is also survived by a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends.

Service

12:00 p.m.

A. E. Grier & Sons

Funeral Ceremony of Choice Chapel

2310 Statesville Avenue

Charlotte, North Carolina

Interment

Gethsemane Memorial Gardens

"Don't forget to sign the guestbook"

Tribute Wall

KI

“ *Johnnie Clay*

kim - August 27, 2010 at 03:18 PM

DK

Johnnie was a great and loving father, he is truly missed. He definitely earned an honest living for his family. I never met a man that was so determined and dedicated. I love you johnnie.

Dianne kirkpatrick - October 08, 2021 at 07:21 AM

DW

“ *As a young girl growing up in Hickory, NC, I remember Johnnie Lee fondly. My parents were members of the Lake Hickory Country Club. Johnnie Lee worked there for a time. He was always so kind to us preteens & teens. He had a great sense of humor and was just a pleasant person to be around. Actually, he was quite "hip"... After all these years, I've never forgotten him. Rest in peace Johnnie Lee. To his family, my deepest sympathy. He was truly a wonderful man.*

Dottie Ann Williams - January 29, 2010 at 06:22 AM

TF

“ *Be not dismayed God will take care of you. Know that your colleagues and friends care and share the Loss of Mr. Clay. We serve others daily, but our own loss seems to be more intense. Be Encouraged, the family is depending on you to get them through. Those we love and remember CANNOT die.....*

Ted Felder - January 28, 2010 at 09:11 PM

MW

“ Hello Family, I am sadden to hear of your lost. Know that your Family here in Maryland have you in our prayers. Love you Much.
Mr.& Mrs. Al Wylie

Mrs. Charleen Wylie - January 28, 2010 at 04:21 PM

RM

“ My thoughts and prayers are with your entire family. I pray for understanding, acceptance, and peace. May God be with you all.

Regina McCadney - January 28, 2010 at 01:15 PM

FW

“ Stephanie, My prayers are with you and your family during this very difficult time.

Felicia P. Williams - January 28, 2010 at 11:56 AM

MA

“ HEY GUYS SO SORRY ABOUT THE LOSS OF YOUR LOVED ONE, JUST WANTED YOU TO KNOW I WAS THINKIN BOUT YOU AND YOU'RE IN MY PRAYERS
PEACE AND MUCH LOVE MADONNA

MADONNA - January 28, 2010 at 10:04 AM

PC

“ Sorry to hear about the loss of your loved one. Our thoughts and prayers are with you....

Phillip's Printing Company - January 28, 2010 at 08:42 AM

LF

“ *Our sincere condolences go out to you and your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.*
Angie Marshall Lincoln Financial Company

Lincoln Financial - January 28, 2010 at 08:17 AM