



Mr. Charles "Mann" Longs

November 25, 1952 - September 20, 2011

Charles was born November 25, 1952 in Gould, Arkansas to Charlie and Manualla Longs. He was the third child of five children. Those who knew him well called him "Mann". As a young child he loved to watch Mighty Mouse, Batman and Robin and the Fantastic Four cartoons. He played "the baby" for his sisters and picked up the habit of sucking his thumb until the age of 18 years old. He attended Shiller Elementary and Cooley High School in Chicago, Illinois. Weeks before graduating he enlisted into the U.S. Army, where he served in the Vietnam War. Charles worked as a Secretary in Downtown Chicago, after being discharged from the U.S. Army. At the age of 27, Charles fathered his first and only son whom he raised as a single parent. He went on to earn his diploma at the Three Rivers Adult Education Center. Charles was a very good basketball player and he always loved to tell stories of his basketball days, before he was injured and joined the military. He enjoyed music, chess, sports, movies and spending time with his family. Charles loved his mother dearly and would do anything for her and any member of the family. He was all about family and being together. Charles was one of a kind with his infamous "WOW!", when anything was exciting to him or sparked an interest. In the early 90's, Charles was a faithful member at the All Nations Temple Church of God In Christ, under the late Pastor Luther Channey, where he was also baptized. On September 20, 2011 Charles heard the calling of the Lord to come home. Charles was preceded in death by his father, Charlie Longs; a brother, Jesse Lee Harold; and a sister, Evelyn Faye

Longs. Charles is survived by his mother, Manualla Joyce of Kalamazoo, MI; son, Charles Higgins of Kalamazoo, MI; sisters, Lela McNair of Three Rivers, MI; Charlie Mae (Steve) Atkins of Kalamazoo, MI and Denise Longs of Kalamazoo, MI. He leaves behind 13 nieces; 3 nephews; 8 great nephews; 5 great-great nieces; 2 great-great nephews. He also leaves behind a special cousin, John Martin, who he talked to daily, had a special bond with and was more like a brother.

Cemetery Details

**Ft. Custer National Cemetery (Military Honors-11:30 a.m. Friday,
September 30, 2011**

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Charles "Mann" Longs*

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ *Mr. Charles "Mann" Longs*

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *SO LONG CUZZIN, YOU DID YOUR BEST.
WILL ALWAYS LOVE YOU AND WE WILL
MEET AGAIN. YOU WERE THE GREATEST.*



PAMELA (MOLLY) JORDEN - October 01, 2011 at 01:03 AM



“ *Dewania Hankins lit a candle in memory of
Mr. Charles "Mann" Longs*



dewania hankins - September 28, 2011 at 08:59 PM

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“ Tina Mcintyre lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles "Mann" Longs



tina mcintyre - September 28, 2011 at 06:14 PM



“ Not sure what to share about my uncle but I know we have had alot of good laughs and fun times. I would like for my family to know that now is the time for our family to come together. Not be separated or divided but to join together. He would want us to Love each other even more now then we did before. Lets show Man that we can do what he would want us to do in this time of sadness!!

Joanna Partee - September 26, 2011 at 09:23 PM