

Mr. Emmett Spencer Jr.

December 2, 1935 - September 4, 2013

It is with honor that we celebrate the life and legacy of Mr. Emmett Spencer, Jr. who went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, September 4, 2013 at 12:25 p.m. Emmett was born the 4th child to Emmett Spencer Sr. and Pauline May (both deceased) in Coatopa, AL on December 2, 1935. He moved to Kalamazoo, MI at the age of 21 to obtain employment.

On January 21, 1962, he began his journey in marriage with the love of his life, Lucy A. Moore in a private ceremony in Kalamazoo, MI. Emmett was preceded in death by his wife of 48 years.

He was employed by General Motors for 34 years. In addition, Mr. Spencer also owned and operated a successful Cement Contracting business for over 30 years before he retired in 2000.

Emmett was a doting father in every sense of the word. His love for gardening will always be remembered.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Emmett Spencer Sr. and Pauline Spencer; and his brothers, Percy Lee Spencer and Willie Fate Spencer.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his children: Pamela (Donald) Bowden of Kalamazoo, MI; Sheila Spencer of Kalamazoo, MI; Emmett (Mary) Spencer III

of Caledonia, MI; Stephen (Johnna) Spencer of Hoffman Estates, IL; Tiffany (Scott) Nicolow of Olympia, WA and Sheena N, Spencer of Atlanta, GA. Also, left to celebrate his life are, Lillie Belle Daniel and Mary Turnage both of Kalamazoo, MI; Sally (Leo) Rice of Columbus, OH; Carzella (Sam) Isaac and Sallie B. Spencer all of Forkland, AL; Shirley Spencer and Joyce Robinson both of Kalamazoo, MI; Jessie Moore of Mission Hills, CA; James (Mary) Moore of Kalamazoo, MI; Henry (Betty) Moore of Thomasville, AL; Roy Moore of Valencia, CA; Willie (Grace) Moore of Kalamazoo, MI; Wallace Moore of Palmdale, CA; Don (Doris) Moore of Lancaster, CA; Lisa (Jimmy) McKay of Palmdale, CA; Carlene Moore and Larry Moore both of Los Angeles, CA; Dino (Angela) Moore of Palmdale CA and Tony Moore of Rio Alto, CA; grandchildren, Shawn Bowden, Terrance Bowden, Chylonn Spencer, Sara Birl, Shaniece Birl; and Jarvis Birl (a special grandson) all of Kalamazoo, MI; Michael Spencer of Caledonia, MI; Stephen Spencer of Caledonia, MI; Anye Nicolow of Olympia, WA; John Spencer and Lucy Spencer both of Hoffman Estates, IL; a special aunt, Needa May Lockett; and a host of great-grandchildren, family, friends, and coworkers. A bearer of wisdom and love, he was always available for advice and support to his family. He will be greatly missed.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery-Kalamazoo

1015 Gull Road
Kalamazoo, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 12. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Visitation

SEP 13. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Faith Temple Church of God
402 S. Westnedge Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Service

SEP 13. 1:00 PM (ET)

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402 S. Westnedge Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Emmett Spencer Jr.*

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ *Mr. Emmett Spencer Jr.*

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *Kiara Hewitt lit a candle in memory of Mr. Emmett Spencer Jr.*



Kiara Hewitt - September 19, 2013 at 04:28 PM



“ *Our prayers are with the Spencer Family in the passing of cousin Emmett Spencer, Jr. The Dykes and Smith Family, Coatopa, AL, Birmingham, AL and Maryland*



Jerry Hale - September 15, 2013 at 10:24 AM



“ *Emmett was one of my favorite cousins he was always the money man for his Father farm. Our greatest regrets from the Thompson family Cincinnati Chicago milwaukee and kalamazoo*

Annie Kate Thompson - September 13, 2013 at 07:25 AM

AS

“ Emmett was a great person to work with enjoyed meeting with him at the retirement breakfast will miss that smiling face a lot fellow millwright Arden Sult

Arden Sult - September 12, 2013 at 02:38 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Emmett Spencer Jr..



September 12, 2013 at 12:09 PM

JK

“ Johnnie King lit a candle in memory of Mr. Emmett Spencer Jr.



johnnie king - September 12, 2013 at 11:14 AM

JB

“ Jerry & Terry Buchanan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Emmett Spencer Jr.



Jerry & Terry Buchanan - September 11, 2013 at 09:39 PM

GG

“ G Gordon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Emmett Spencer Jr.



G Gordon - September 11, 2013 at 09:05 PM



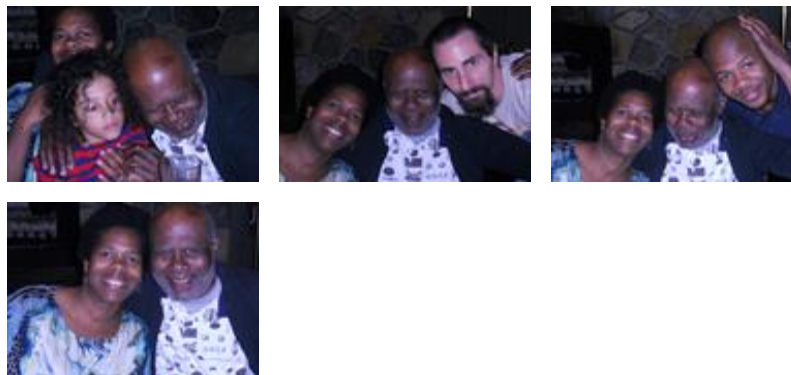
“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Emmett Spencer Jr..



September 11, 2013 at 08:34 AM

CN

“ 4 files added to the album June 2013



Carole Nicolow - September 09, 2013 at 11:51 AM

TI

Thank you Carole, I have been looking at these pictures all week. I love his fabulous smile. He enjoyed that day.

Tiffany - September 10, 2013 at 05:41 PM

JJ

These are great pictures. We're thinking of you and your family, Tiffany.

Jim - September 11, 2013 at 10:10 AM

RM

*Although, due to my health issues, unable to fly to Kalamazoo to be with my family, but you are in my heart and prayers, We thank you for being a wonderful loving husband to our sister "Lucy" May you now join her and rest in peace with her
Love, Uncle Roy Moore*

Roy Moore - September 12, 2013 at 08:48 PM

SE

“ I, too, worked with Emmitt. He always made me laugh. He was such a bright spot in the day. I am blessed to have known him. I would like to extend my condolences to his family. -Sharon Epley

sharon epley - September 08, 2013 at 05:59 AM

CL

“ Emmitt was a friend who I enjoyed working with. Although it's been 20 years ago, I still think of those days. He was a very good friend to my father-in-law, Elmer, and they would often help each other out. My condolences to the family from my family. Chris Lemmer

Chris Lemmer - September 06, 2013 at 12:48 PM

TI

Chris, I remember Elmer and his stories of his life in Europe.

Tiffany - September 10, 2013 at 05:38 PM