



## Mr. John Frank Lee

August 7, 1927 - July 22, 2016

John Frank Lee passed away July 22, 2016 at Bronson Methodist Hospital with his niece Bridget Dunigan at his side. He was born August 7, 1927 to the late Jarvest ("Jack") and Frankie Mai Brooks-Lee in Obion, TN. John grew up in Trenton, TN, where he graduated from Rosenwald High School. He attended Lane College in Jackson, TN, later graduating from Southern Colorado State University. John honorably served his country in the United States Army from 1952 to 1976, with action in Korea and Vietnam.

John was united in marriage to Irene Ware-Lee. When John retired in 1976, he and Irene settled in Colorado Springs, CO where they lived until 1994. He later decided to move to Kalamazoo, MI to be near family due to health issues. John was an active member of The Safehouse and St. Joseph Catholic Church until health issues prevented his active participation. As a longtime resident of Park Village Pines Assisted Living Facility, he was happy to learn that St. Joseph conducted weekly services/communion in his building, which he faithfully attended.

John especially enjoyed spending time with his family, talking with his sister daily, teasing with staff and residents as they passed his door and inspecting his clothes closet with his creased slacks and lightly starched shirts.

John was preceded in death by his parents, Jarvest ("Jack") and Frankie Mai

Brooks-Lee; wife, Irene Ware-Lee; brother-in-law, Willie Johnson; 5 uncles and 8 aunts from the Lee/Brooks families.

John is survived by his sister, Eula V. Lee-Johnson; 2 nieces, Ann (Charles) Dunigan and Francine Johnson-Cody of Denver, CO; great niece, Bridget Dunigan of Redford, MI; adopted nieces, Cynthia Morris and Daniell Ismirle of Redford, MI; nephew, Christopher (Kesha, Armahni, Kristia and Chris Jr.) Dunigan of Douglasville, GA; a host of cousins in the following families: Brooks, Brown, Barnett, Lee, Morgan, Reid, Russell, and Yeargin; his "table mates" at Park Village Pines, Alice and Dottie; St. Joseph Catholic Church/Father Michael Hazard, Father Andrew, Raczkowski; Sister Mary Catherine and Liz Scheuer.

\*\*\*\*THE FAMILY REQUESTS IN LIEU OF FLOWERS\*\*\*\* to send donations to Park Village Pines Assisted Living, 2920 Crystal LN, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49009 and St. Joseph Catholic Church, 936 Lake Street, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Ever-Rest Cemetery

3941 S. Westnedge Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 29. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

## A Service in Loving Memory

JUL 29. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. John Frank Lee*

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ *Mr. John Frank Lee*

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Life Tributes*



Harper Funeral Home - July 29, 2016 at 10:40 AM



“ *My heart felt condolences goes out to the John Lee family. He was a good man.and a great friend. Will miss his warm smile and words of wisdom RIP old friend*



Jack Dunigan - July 29, 2016 at 06:03 AM

JD

“ *Jack Dunigan lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Frank Lee*



Jack Dunigan - July 29, 2016 at 05:56 AM

DO

“ *I just loved John. He spent most of his time teasing me & he knew I loved it. He was a sweet kind man always concerned about others. I'll miss you John but I'm happy you are in Jesus arms now, love always, Dolly*

Dolly - July 28, 2016 at 08:40 AM

DB

“ *Deacon Frank And Helen Brooks lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Frank Lee*



Deacon Frank and Helen Brooks - July 27, 2016 at 03:42 PM

GS

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



Gary Sielatycki - July 26, 2016 at 08:46 PM

GS

“ Thank you John for being such a good friend to my mother. I know she really enjoyed eating meals with you at Park Village Pine over the last few years. You will be missed.

*Gary & Anita Sielatycki*

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**Gary Sielatycki** - July 26, 2016 at 08:37 PM

RL

“ Prayers for the family. John was a kind and loving man.



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**Ramona Lumpkin** - July 26, 2016 at 05:04 PM