



Melrose S. Hensley Jr.

October 19, 1937 - June 22, 2013

Mr. Melrose S. Hensley, Jr. departed this life Saturday, June 22, 2013. He was born October 19, 1937 to the parents of Melrose Hensley Sr. and the Mary Anderson. He was a graduate of Benton Harbor High School where he excelled in basketball and football. He was employed at Western Michigan University and later retired after many years of service.

Melrose was a very active person who enjoyed exercising. This included: bike riding, walking at Spring Valley Park and running, which inspired Rhonda to do and continue to honor him with his legacy. He also enjoyed spending time with family members and friends. One of his favorite television shows was "The Price Is Right". He wouldn't leave the house until he finished watching his show! Melrose was proud of his Alma Mater, and was a die hard Benton Harbor Tiger. He kept and wore a lot of the school paraphernalia and would still visit the high school supporting the current football and basketball teams. He will be truly missed by all who knew and loved him.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Carrie Ann Jordan-Hensley; two sons, Robert White and Drummond Jordan; his mother Mary Anderson; his father, Melrose Hensley Sr.; 1 sister, Kay Anderson; and grandson Anthony Hensley.

He is survived by: his children, Ivan Seahorn; Andrea Seahorn; Melrose III, Rhonda Ethridge (and her husband Tony), and Eva Jordan; 19 grandchildren;

several great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Service

JUN 28. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Melrose S. Hensley Jr.



Harper Funeral Home - June 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Melrose S. Hensley Jr.

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Melrose S. Hensley Jr.

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ Here it is two whole years without you big Mel love always your son Melrose S. Hensley 3rd

Melrose Hensley - June 21, 2015 at 10:33 AM



“ Miss u big cuz love lil cuz Debbie.

TerriStayin Suckerfree - July 02, 2013 at 09:14 AM

DS

“ Denise Scurry lit a candle in memory of Melrose S. Hensley Jr.



Denise Scurry - June 28, 2013 at 10:26 AM

LJ

“ Loved his family and friends! May God smile upon you.

Laverne Jones - June 28, 2013 at 12:01 AM

LJ

“ Sorry for your loss, Melrose was a kind and caring man he loved his family and family. I will keep his family in prayer, the last time I saw Melrose I ran into him at Meijer and we talked for over a hr. I worked with him at Western Michigan University. May God Blessed the family and smile upone you.

Laverne Jones - June 27, 2013 at 11:57 PM

SP

“ We The Palm family extend our condolences and heartfelt sympathy to your family. Mel was a true friend and a wonderful man. We shall never forget his friendship and his love. May the Lord give you comfort and peace....Billy & Shirley Palm

Shirley Palm - June 27, 2013 at 11:38 PM

RT

“ Throughout my life, I have always heard my parents talk fondly as it related to Mr. Melrose. They were all friends in Benton Harbor back in the day and the stories are always so interesting no matter how many times they get together and retell them.

It was their love for Benton Harbor that made me love it the way that I do. My parents Richard and Lucille Sanders will not be able to attend the services but send their regards and deepest sympathy to the entire Hensley and Seahorn families.

Benton Harbor has truly lost a "Mighty Tiger" and your spirit will surely be missed.

Praying for Kee Kee and Andy, my extended family and close friends...

*Reinaldo Tripplett, Assistant Principal
Benton Harbor High School*

Rodger Tripplett - June 27, 2013 at 10:07 PM

EF

“ Earline Fields And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Melrose S. Hensley Jr.



Earline Fields and Family - June 27, 2013 at 06:31 PM

WF

“ *Eva, Rhonda, Mel and family you all are in our prayers. We enjoyed living next to Mel and Carrie for those 20 plus years! I know Mel and Carrie are happy to be together again, probably listening to some smooth jazz.LOL!!!*

We loved him, but God loved him best!

May God continue to bless and keep you all.

Wendy, Ivy, Darnell and Whitney.

Wendy Fields - June 27, 2013 at 08:06 AM

AR

“ *Arlenebuchanan lit a candle in memory of Melrose S. Hensley Jr.*



arlenebuchanan - June 27, 2013 at 04:41 AM

AR

To the family of Melrose. He was a co-worker @ WMU he was just a kind person. And will be greatly missed.

arlenebuchanan - June 27, 2013 at 04:46 AM