



Arther Milian Sr.

July 1, 1925 - May 12, 2012

Arther Milian Sr., affectionately known as "Hawk", was born in Byhalia, Mississippi on July 1, 1925 to the parentage of Flora and Elwood Milian.

Arther received his education in Byhalia, MS. He confessed Christ at an early age and joined the Union Valley Church. At the young age of 18, Arther was proud to serve his country in the United States Navy in Hattiesburg, MS.

In 1949, Arther was determined to make a better life for himself so he migrated to Chicago, Illinois and the rest was history. To his accomplishments, he wore several different hats throughout his working career. He worked at National Casting as a foundry worker, and later became an entrepreneur by operating Father and Son Tuck-Pointing Company and Milian's Delivery Services.

In 1950 Cupid's arrow struck Arther. He later married the apple of his eye, his dream girl, Betty Jean. To this union four children were born, Arther Jr., Jerome, Anthony and Darryl. They combined their families and to this union, a baseball team of players were assembled, Arther Jr., Jerome, Anthony, Darryl, Barbara Jean, Philistine, Earnest Roy, and last but not least, Jessie. Arther made no difference with his children, biological or adopted, he loved them all the same.

He had a special love for his family and would insist on providing sermon on the role of an African-American man as a provider. He said, "Be the king of your castle" and "a man's gotta have a job". He was a great conversationalist. His hobbies were, fishing, farming and he never missed a card game.

In 1975, Arther became a proud member of Greater Walters AME Zion Church, under the leadership of the Rite Rev. George Washington Walker. He participated in the mortgage burning ceremony of the church. He was an active church member throughout his adult life.

Arther would like to thank all of those which showed kindness through his life journey, especially his grandson, Jermaine, for being a monument of strength. He said, "You could not find a better person. He's the best, loyal, trustworthy and faithful. I can always count on him." A special thanks to Lily for all your love and support.

Arther flew away with the Lord in the wee hours of the morning on Saturday, May 12, 2012. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Philistine.

Arther leaves to cherish his memories, his children, Arther Jr. (Sharon), Anthony (Pamela), Darryl (Ruby), Jessie (Patricia), Ernest Roy (Debra) and Barbara Jean; one brother-in-law, Althea Taylor; a special cousin, Alice; 50 grandchildren; 50 great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

All of us will treasure your memory from sons, daughters, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. May you walk closer with God and continue to remain in our hearts, souls and spirit. Rest in peace, Arther Milian Sr. We all love you.

Cemetery Details

Mount Vernon Memorial Estates

11875 Archer Avenue
Lemont, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 18. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Greater Walters AME Zion Church
8422 South Damen Avenue
Chicago, IL

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Arther Milian Sr.*

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