



## Rodger Timothy Talley

February 11, 1961 - May 27, 2015

On February 11, 1921, Rodger Timothy Talley was born to Lucy and John Talley in Jackson, Tennessee. He was the second eldest of five siblings.

He graduated from Roosevelt High School in Gary, Indiana and attended Lane College in Jackson, TN on a football scholarship. He was there until he was drafted for World War II. Upon his return he worked and retired from Youngstown Sheet & Tube in East Chicago, IN.

On July 22, 1945, Rodger married Elizabeth B. Austin. They remained married until his death. They would have celebrated 70 years of marriage this year. Their relationship was remarkable. Many wondered what their secret to a lasting marriage was. They were even featured in the Jet Magazine for their 50th wedding anniversary. During that union, they raised their two daughters, Donita Marie and Andra Lynette. He was able to see his family blossom into four generations.

Brother Talley was a faithful servant of Jehovah for more than 60 years. During this time, he served as an elder, a regular pioneer, and city overseer. Brother Talley and his family were assigned to multiple congregations to assist in the preaching work and aid many persons to an accurate knowledge of the Bible. He was well known by the community for witnessing in front of the Glen Park Bakery in Gary, IN. Many people would receive their magazines from him

and receive a warm witness. He is recognized for his kindness, generosity, firmness and patience. Through his lifetime, he gained many spiritual sons and daughters.

Rodger leaves to cherish his loving memories, his wife, Elizabeth Talley; his two daughters, Donita Lewis and Andra Davis (Arthur); three grandchildren, Roshanta Denise, DeShaun Andre and Keisha Chevonne; a great-grandson, Dorrian Anthony; a great-granddaughter, Aleesha Danelle; and a host of nieces, nephews, spiritual family and friends.

# Previous Events

## Service

JUN 6. 2:00 PM (CT)

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses (Gary)  
1401 West 20th Avenue  
Gary, IN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rodger Timothy Talley*

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**McCullough Funeral & Cremation Services** - June 25, 2015 at 05:34 PM