



## Theodore Houston Crowder

April 22, 1928 - January 29, 2012

Theodore Houston Crowder was born to Henry and Ellen Crowder on April 22, 1928 in Grenada, Mississippi.

Theodore later moved to Worcester, Massachusetts, where he met and married Clara. From this union, six children were born.

Theodore served in the United States Navy. An excellent swimmer, he could even dive off navy ships and swim to shore. Theodore was a hard working man. He loved to read and talk about his hometown, the news, and the things he would read in the National Geographic magazines. He loved visitors and would pull up a chair and talk to all who came to his home.

Theodore always encouraged his family to remain different and not to just accept anything given to them, but only accept the best.

On January 29, 2012, Theodore closed his eyes in death. The week before his death, he expressed that he had a wonderful family and that all of his children had been very good to him and helped him during his illness, but he stated, "I really hate that now I have to go to sleep and die." He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Robert Hayes.

Theodore leaves to cherish his memories, his loving, caring, supportive wife of

60 years, Clara; his children, Sharon (Nathan) Tindall, Mary (Maurice) Sisson, Theodore (Tracey) Crowder Jr., Demetra (William) Allen, Claudia (Michael) Stafford and Roderick Crowder; grandchildren, Angela (Terence) Jackson, Candace (Lawrence) Stepney, Jessica (Richard) Williams, Christina, Ian, Semira, Simone, Joseph, Joanna, Jeremy, Justin, Joshua, Jessica and Malik; great grandchildren, Rebecca, Jordan Keri and Abigail; siblings, Clyde Henry (Froncie), Elwood (Levada), William "Pete" (Essie), Gloria, Nathaniel (Thomasina), John Willard (Lucy), Frank (Geraldine), Edna, Carrie (Charlie) and Walter "Wally"; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Theodore will be greatly missed.

# Previous Events

## Service

FEB 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Theodore Houston Crowder*

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