



Samuel Jesse Curtis

August 4, 1926 - August 30, 2020

Born on August 4, 1926 to Charlie Manuel Curtis, Sr and Eula Chance Curtis in Fluker, LA. He was the fifth of ten children born to Eula Curtis. Close to the end of WWII at the age of 18 he was drafted to the United States Army. He was inducted into the Army on January 10, 1945 into the 3066th Quartermaster Laundry Company. Trained as a sharpshooter, he was given the occupation of Guard Patrolman in the United States Army Military Police. Deployed August 3, 1945, one day before his 19th birthday, to the Asiatic Pacific Theater to serve his country in the Philippines. On September 23, 1946, he set sail for home and was honorably discharged at Fort Sam Houston, Texas on December 4, 1946. Upon discharge he was awarded the Asiatic Pacific Theater Campaign ribbon, the Philippine Liberation ribbon, Philippine Independence ribbon, and the WWII Victory ribbon. After returning home, he worked many years as a plant operator until his retirement. He was employed by Morse and Ory Gravel Pitt which later became Gifford Hill Gravel Pitt. He was a member of Fluker Chapel AME Church for 60 plus years. His current Pastor was Rev. Lovell McCray. April 3, 1952, he married Alice Luvenia Johnson. They were married 41 years until the time of her death, October 26, 1993. He leaves to mourn six daughters, -Barbara Curtis-Smith (Children: Aimee, Cordero, Richard), Sherlene Curtis-Simmon (Spouse: Paul Simmon) (Children: Tiya, Alisa, Latonya, Abimelech), Katherine Curtis-Thomas (Children: Kasia, Kristal), Patsy Cryer Jones (Spouse: Tyrone Jones) (Children: Ladonna, Damon, Tara, Tyrone), Connie Williams Phillips) (Children:

Conneshia, Charles, Larquavia), and Linda Butler (Spouse: Keith Butler) (Children: Lakeisha, Keith, Joseph). He was preceded in death by his parents, a daughter Sandra Kay Quillin (Children: Hennessy, Halston, Colby, Keaton), 9 siblings, Archie Cryer, Milton Cryer, William Cryer Sr. (Uncle Bill), Charlie Manuel Curtis Jr (Uncle Jack), Josephine Curtis Berry (Aunt Jo), Johnnie Wilton Curtis, Freddie Curtis, Edgar Curtis (Willow), Roy Lee Curtis, Sr., 38 great-grandchildren, 3 twice great grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews. Samuel Jesse Curtis has been and will always be loved greatly, and will be missed immensely.