



## Curtis M. Cosby

April 4, 1940 - November 27, 2025

Curtis Major “Gunsmoke” Cosby, affectionately known as "Major" by his family and friends, was called from his labor while in the comfort of his home surrounded by loved ones on, November 27, 2025, at the age of 85 years, 7 months and 23 days.

He never met a stranger and was always ready to hold a conversation with whomever he was with. He was the son of the late Austin Cosby, Annie Mae Southerland Cosby Huffman, and John Henry “Bub” Huffman. Major was a graduate of High Street High School and a lifelong dedicated member of Center Baptist Church where he served in several capacities.

Major’s passion for working with his hands led him to a remarkable career spanning over six decades as an auto mechanic, where he built a reputation not only for skill but for his approachable nature and friendly conversation. At work or at the barber shop Major enjoyed sharing his knowledge of the Shake Rag community. Major also found joy in cooking, he could fry fish that flaked apart, his tenderloin with gravy and onions made your mouth water, a creative and true connoisseur in the kitchen.

On October 8, 2011, Major began a new chapter when he married Sharon Haynie. Over the next fourteen years, they created a close-knit family, cherishing every moment together. Throughout his life, Major connected with others be it through his love of storytelling, his service to his church, or the deep bonds he nurtured with family and friends.

Major has joined those preceding him in death along with his parents,

daughter Zsa Zsa Hudson and siblings, Lena Pearl Hayes, John Thomas Huffman, Hazel Huffman, and Francis Huffman.

His legacy continues through his beloved wife Sharon, daughters, Sonja Hudson and Portia Cosby; grandchildren, great grandchildren, bonus children; siblings, Judy Jewell and William "Spud" (Karen) Huffman, and a wide circle of relatives and dear friends. Majors' memory is warmly held by all whose lives he touched with kindness and generosity.

Sincerely,

-Your friends at Burnam and Son Mortuary

# Cemetery Details

## Logan Schoolhouse Cemetery

2 Taylor Barrow Road  
Auburn, KY 42206

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 6. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

State Street Baptist Church  
340 State Street  
Bowling Green, KY 42101  
<http://statestreetbaptistchurch.org?>

## Service

DEC 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

State Street Baptist Church  
340 State St  
Bowling Green, KY 42101-1239  
(270) 843-8016

# Tribute Wall



“ *Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc.** - December 05, 2025 at 12:11 PM

BH

*Prayers for the ENTIRE FAMILY AND FRIENDS* 🙏❤️

**Bonnie Hightower-Bell** - December 06, 2025 at 11:36 AM

AR

“ *Rest In Peace My Friend*



**Alana Faye Roberson** - December 24, 2025 at 04:17 PM

DL

“ *Donald & Chiquita Lightfoot lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Donald & Chiquita Lightfoot** - December 15, 2025 at 12:34 PM

GC

“ Glenn Courtland sent a virtual gift in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



Glenn Courtland - December 12, 2025 at 07:44 PM

TC

“ A good person, remember meeting him through Tyson Miller, and would come to Oakland to Church at times.....



Toya Clark - December 10, 2025 at 03:40 PM

FG

“ Faye Gamble lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



Faye gamble - December 10, 2025 at 01:40 PM

RM

“ Ruth Morrow lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



Ruth Morrow - December 08, 2025 at 05:22 PM

BP

“ *Barbara Page lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



Barbara Page - December 07, 2025 at 07:44 PM



“ *Sending my deepest condolences to the family.* 🙏



Marqueta Franklin - December 06, 2025 at 06:52 PM

JC

“ *Never met Mr. CC, and I'm, no doubt, a less knowledgeable man because of it. Sharon, my friend, I'm so sorry.*



John Cummins - December 06, 2025 at 01:31 PM

MP

“ *Malcolm & Hattie Page lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



Malcolm & Hattie Page - December 06, 2025 at 09:46 AM

LI

“ *LIVELY-CLARK lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



LIVELY-CLARK - December 05, 2025 at 10:10 PM

AW

“ *Smoke, was a True friend, who I knew for Many years!! Knew a lots of Black Community History! Enjoyed talking to him over 20 years!! Rest in Peace, Shalom Bro in Christ!! Alonzo Webb*

Alonzo Webb - December 05, 2025 at 06:13 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Curtis M. Cosby.*



December 05, 2025 at 10:42 AM

MF

“ *Mrs. Hannah Whitney And Family lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



Mrs. Hannah Whitney and Family - December 05, 2025 at 10:11 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Curtis M. Cosby.*



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December 05, 2025 at 10:09 AM



“ *Eugenia Todd lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Eugenia Todd** - December 04, 2025 at 11:09 PM



“ *CAPTAIN! RIP you were a wealth of knowledge and the best when it came to giving advice (weather you wanted it or not) always cutting up and trying to save someone.. since day 1 working at Chester's you have always been nice and took me under your wing.. like a granddad.. you made a big impact on my life and countless others I'm sure.. miss Sharon my condolences go out to you.. you are a strong woman to have handled him with all his hardheaded ways and you are a much stronger woman than you know.. say your prayers and know that he is sitting on a bench watching out for you and waiting for you*

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**Bobbi Hicks** - December 04, 2025 at 10:11 PM



“ Yvonne Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



Yvonne Williams - December 04, 2025 at 09:47 PM



“ Many prayers and condolences to the families, friends, and colleagues of the late Curtis Major Crosby; though time is fleeting on this earth, you walk with us and grace us with your thoughts... though few at times, but show up in your presence. I will always remember "Gunsmoke," not as Matt Dillon...but the sparkling personality of individual who seemed to be larger than life, in my younger years...that would remind me of foggy morning that seem to blanket land. I will always remember you like that...with a quiet smile. Rest easy my friend, your time on earth has now released you from the tolls and cares of this life are behind you... you will be remembered and dearly missed.... I will always remember your tall presence, that I would look up too...like the misty fog, that blanket the field in the spring and fall early mornings. God needed you, and with His presence, which only you could see called your name, and you answered. Thank you for time you shared here among us.



Willa Lewis-Blewett - December 04, 2025 at 06:39 PM

TF

“ *The Bluett Family lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**The Bluett Family** - December 04, 2025 at 02:15 PM

PW

“ *Peggy Smith Whitney lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Peggy Smith Whitney** - December 04, 2025 at 11:22 AM

VW

“ *Vicki Withrow lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Vicki Withrow** - December 03, 2025 at 11:00 PM

DF

“ *Debra Jewell & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Debra Jewell & family** - December 03, 2025 at 06:17 PM

KT

“ *Kay Taylor*



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**Kay Taylor** - December 03, 2025 at 01:43 PM

BM

“ *Berona Massey lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Berona Massey** - December 02, 2025 at 07:12 PM

KC

“ *Kenny. & Crisandra Coleman lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Kenny. & Crisandra Coleman** - December 02, 2025 at 05:58 PM

MB

“ *Mary Barber lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Mary Barber** - December 02, 2025 at 05:25 PM

RS

“smoke”, as I knew him was a wealth of knowledge (especially about the Shake-Rag District) . Also, well versed about additional histories of BG-Warren County communities. A people person. and one who was the same wherever you saw him. He will be greatly missed. Condolences to you Sharon and other family members.

Rick Starks - December 02, 2025 at 12:31 PM

JB

James M & Kenetha Bryant lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



James M & Kenetha Bryant - December 02, 2025 at 10:37 AM

JB

James M & Kenetha Bryant sent a virtual gift in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



James M & Kenetha Bryant - December 02, 2025 at 10:37 AM

MB

Marvin & Betty Barbee lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



marvin & betty barbee - December 02, 2025 at 09:34 AM

MB

“ *Marvin & Betty Barbee lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**marvin & betty barbee** - December 02, 2025 at 09:07 AM

DO

“ *From the first time we met you was a good man of character. Stood tall and generally a good guy . Will be missed . Rest in peace Brother Cosby*



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**Dontae** - December 01, 2025 at 10:09 PM

CR

“ *Charletta Ray lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Charletta Ray** - December 01, 2025 at 09:07 PM

NF

“ *Nell Ruth Hill & Family lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Nell Ruth Hill & Family** - December 01, 2025 at 07:09 PM

SS

“ *Sharnell Smith lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Sharnell Smith** - December 01, 2025 at 05:52 PM

RC

“ *Regina Caulfield sent a virtual gift in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Regina Caulfield** - December 01, 2025 at 05:34 PM

RS

“ *Robert Shobe lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Robert Shobe** - December 01, 2025 at 03:16 PM

DA

“ *Our sincere condolences. Love & prayers!  
Ronnie & Diane Amos*



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**Diane Amos** - December 01, 2025 at 01:48 PM

GW

“ Praying for the family.



Gerald &- Barbara Whitney - December 01, 2025 at 01:23 PM

BH

“ Bobbi Hicks sent a virtual gift in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



Bobbi Hicks - December 01, 2025 at 11:51 AM

LB

“ Leonard & Judith Boards lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



Leonard & Judith Boards - December 01, 2025 at 11:48 AM

JD

“ James & Sheri Dawson lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



James & Sheri Dawson - December 01, 2025 at 11:29 AM

EB

“ Edward And Deborah Bufford lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



Edward and Deborah Bufford - December 01, 2025 at 10:31 AM

DF

“ Denise Wade And Family lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



Denise Wade and Family - December 01, 2025 at 10:29 AM

SC

“ State Street Baptist Church lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



State Street Baptist Church - December 01, 2025 at 10:29 AM

FM

“ Faith Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



Faith Mitchell - November 30, 2025 at 10:39 PM

MW

“ Prayers and condolences to the Cosby, Huffman families.



Mona Ware - November 30, 2025 at 05:46 PM

ZH

“ Zora Hays lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



Zora Hays - November 30, 2025 at 05:03 PM

WP

“ Wintress Parker lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



Wintress Parker - November 30, 2025 at 04:40 PM

CS

“ Carolyn J Sydnor sent a virtual gift in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



Carolyn J Sydnor - November 30, 2025 at 04:38 PM

TC

“ Terry And Tammy Coomer lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



Terry and Tammy coomer - November 30, 2025 at 04:33 PM

JH

“ James H.Davidson lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



James H.Davidson - November 30, 2025 at 01:59 PM

DH

“ Delores Holland lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



Delores Holland - November 30, 2025 at 01:39 PM

MW

“ Marie Wilson lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby



Marie Wilson - November 30, 2025 at 02:24 AM

NL

“ *Nathaniel & DeAnna Lewis lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



Nathaniel & DeAnna Lewis - November 29, 2025 at 11:49 PM

LC

“ *Lisa Cook lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



Lisa Cook - November 29, 2025 at 11:46 PM

CL

“ *Charles&Charlotte Lewis lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



Charles&Charlotte Lewis - November 29, 2025 at 10:49 PM

SB

“ *Shelia Beck lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



Shelia Beck - November 29, 2025 at 06:08 PM

MC

“ *Mary Cole sent a virtual gift in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Mary Cole** - November 29, 2025 at 05:35 PM

VS

“ *Vetta Sublett sent a virtual gift in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Vetta Sublett** - November 29, 2025 at 04:47 PM

RM

“ *Rachel Murrell lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Rachel Murrell** - November 29, 2025 at 03:02 PM

KC

“ *Kenny. & Crisandra Coleman lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Kenny. & Crisandra Coleman** - November 29, 2025 at 01:58 PM

DM

“ *Dee Brown- McClain lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



Dee Brown- McClain - November 29, 2025 at 12:56 PM

SS

“ *Sue Sweatt lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



Sue Sweatt - November 29, 2025 at 10:40 AM

EH

“ *Estella & Frederick Hill Estella Hill lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



Estella & Frederick Hill Estella Hill - November 29, 2025 at 09:34 AM

LW

“ *Loretha Withrow sent a virtual gift in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



Loretha Withrow - November 29, 2025 at 09:30 AM

HP

“ *HATTIE Page Malcolm Page lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**HATTIE Page Malcolm Page** - November 29, 2025 at 09:00 AM

BW

“ *Brenda Williams lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Brenda Williams** - November 29, 2025 at 08:02 AM

SB

“ *Steve And Ria Butts lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Steve and Ria Butts** - November 29, 2025 at 07:58 AM



“ *Marian Benton lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Marian Benton** - November 29, 2025 at 07:37 AM

GR

“ *Gail & Paul David Rasmussen lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Gail & Paul David Rasmussen** - November 29, 2025 at 06:49 AM

SL

“ *Sabrina Loving sent a virtual gift in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Sabrina Loving** - November 29, 2025 at 06:48 AM

VB

“ *Veronica Bunton lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Veronica Bunton** - November 29, 2025 at 12:19 AM

MP

“ *Mary Patterson lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Mary Patterson** - November 28, 2025 at 11:56 PM

JS

“ *Jakki Granger Snowden lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Jakki Granger Snowden** - November 28, 2025 at 11:14 PM

BY

“ *Buel Young lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Buel Young** - November 28, 2025 at 11:04 PM

WB

“ *Many prayers and condolences to the family*



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**Willa Blewett** - November 28, 2025 at 10:09 PM

DH

“ *Douglas & Sarah Hardin lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Douglas & Sarah Hardin** - November 28, 2025 at 08:53 PM

NR

*Our prayers and condolences to the family. He was a good man.*

**Nick Roberson** - November 29, 2025 at 08:51 AM



“ *Traci Mathews lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Traci Mathews** - November 28, 2025 at 06:24 PM

RF

“ *Regina Caulfield And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Regina Caulfield and Family** - November 28, 2025 at 05:58 PM

DA

“ *Rest in peace Mr. Smoke* ❤️



**Donna Anthony** - November 28, 2025 at 05:12 PM



“ *Yvonne Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Yvonne Williams** - November 28, 2025 at 04:41 PM



“ *Suzie Carpenter lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Suzie Carpenter** - November 28, 2025 at 04:20 PM



“ *Cheryl Hewitt lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**cheryl Hewitt** - November 28, 2025 at 04:20 PM



“ *Faye Gamble lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



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**Faye gamble** - November 28, 2025 at 04:07 PM

KD

“ *Kathleen Donan lit a candle in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Kathleen Donan** - November 28, 2025 at 03:43 PM

AB

“ *Aletha Britt sent a virtual gift in memory of Curtis M. Cosby*



**Aletha Britt** - November 28, 2025 at 03:31 PM



“ *Dear Cosby and Huffman Family,*

*There are few things more difficult than dealing with the loss of a loved one. We, along with our staff, are honored and humbled that you have chosen our family to care for your family during this time. It is our hope that we have been able, in some small way, to lighten your burden and give proper reverence to a life lived. Please let us know if we can be of further service.*



*Respectfully,*

*Carmen, Cedric, Claudia and Kelly  
2nd Generation Owners*

**Cedric Burnam** - November 28, 2025 at 02:12 PM