



Willie Lee (Reuben) Cornelius

March 28, 1922 - March 23, 2012

Mr. Willie L. "Reuben" . Cornelius, age 89, of Russellville, KY, died Friday, March 23, 2012, at Auburn Nursing Home in Auburn, KY. Mr.Cornelius was employed by Citizens National Bank and retired after 18 years of service. Willie was a member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church of Russellville; where he was a Deacon for over 47 years, Treasurer for over 25 years and former Sunday School President and Superintendent. At the time of Willie's death, he was the oldest Deacon and member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church. He enjoyed going fishing and hunting. Willie loved his pet beagles, Ike and Mike, and also was a member of Fred Douglas #72 F & AM Prince Hall Mason. He served in the United States Navy during World War II.

Willie was predeceased in death by his parents, George Cornelius and Ida Gough Cornelius; his wife, Sally K. Temple Cornelius; children, Kenneth R. Cornelius, Betty Petus, Samuel E. Cornelius; sisters and brothers, Mary Lucy Hughes, Elve Corneilus and George Washington, Jr and Melvin Cornelius.

Willie is survived by his children, Michael Lee (Dorothy) Cornelius, Russellville KY, Willie E. (Sandra) Cornelius, Bowling Green KY, Elder Rorger W. (Charlene) Cornelius, Lexington KY, David S. (Mary) Corneilus, Houston, TX, Patsy K. Spencer, Evansville, IN, Sandra A. (Paul) Major, Newport News, VA; sister in law, Josephine Holman, Owensboro KY; brother in law, Robert (Annette) Moss, Indianapolis IN; 16 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren;

one great-great-grandchild and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives ,
special friends and a loving church family.

Cemetery Details

Greenwood Cemetery

954 Peyton Street
Russellville, KY 42276

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 31. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Mount Zion Baptist Church - Russellville
255 S Morgan Street
Russellville, KY 42276-1942

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Willie Lee (Reuben) Cornelius*



Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc. - March 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ *Melissa Givens sent a virtual gift in memory of Willie Lee (Reuben) Cornelius*



Melissa Givens - April 01, 2012 at 10:36 PM

MG

I am sorry for your loss and will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers. (Melissa Givens)

Melissa Givens - April 01, 2012 at 10:38 PM

LW

“ *Linda L. Williams lit a candle in memory of Willie Lee (Reuben) Cornelius*



Linda L. Williams - March 31, 2012 at 02:17 PM



“ *Elegant Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Willie Lee (Reuben) Cornelius.*



March 29, 2012 at 11:24 AM



“ *Berona Massey lit a candle in memory of Willie Lee (Reuben) Cornelius*



Berona Massey - March 27, 2012 at 06:53 PM



“ *Cecile Denning lit a candle in memory of Willie Lee (Reuben) Cornelius*



Cecile Denning - March 25, 2012 at 09:02 AM



“ *Mckinley & Crisandra Coleman lit a candle in memory of Willie Lee (Reuben) Cornelius*



Mckinley & Crisandra Coleman - March 25, 2012 at 09:01 AM



“ Dear Cornelius 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
info@burnamandsonmortuary.com*

Cedric Burnam - March 23, 2012 at 05:49 PM