



Frank Watkins, Jr.

September 4, 1946 - May 30, 2014

Mr. Frank Watkins, Jr., 67, of Dumas, AR passed away Friday, May 30, 2014. He was born in Florence, AL., to the late Frank Watkins, Sr. and Clara (Welch) Watkins.

Survivors include, his wife, Mrs. Patricia (Brasfield) Watlins of Dumas, AR; sons, Frank Watkins III of Little Rock, AR, Victor Ellsworth of Dumas, AR and Edward Ellsworth of Nashville, TN; daughter, Cleo Michelle Wells of Hammond, LA; brothers, Herman Watkins, Eugene Watkins both of Florence, AL; sisters, Nellie Bozer, Minnie Watkins and Rosie Watkins all of Saginaw, MI.; eight grandchildren.

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 7, 2014 at True Vine Baptist Church, 2930 Janes Street. Pastor Paul E. Broaddus. Pastor Christopher V. Pryor will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Friends may call at the church on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until time of service.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue
Saginaw, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Truevine Baptist Church
2930 Janes Street
Saginaw, MI 48601

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

AS

“ *Angella Sears lit a candle in memory of Frank Watkins, Jr.* ”



Angella Sears - July 06, 2014 at 08:27 PM

LO

“ *Leah O'Daniels lit a candle in memory of Frank Watkins, Jr.* ”



Leah O'Daniels - June 09, 2014 at 04:14 PM



“ *PRAYING FOR THE WATKINS FAMILY. MAY GOD STRENGHTEN U IN UR TIME OF COMFORT.....LOVE U ALL* ”



Mittie Buchanan-Russell - June 08, 2014 at 01:30 AM

PB

“ *Patrick Brown lit a candle in memory of Frank Watkins, Jr.* ”



patrick brown - June 07, 2014 at 08:56 PM

HW

“ I had the privilege to work with Frank at Buena Vista Fire for or 25 Years, first with the Fire Explorers and then as a firefighter. Over the year I helped Frank with various community projects from school fire safety presentations, Toys for Tots, elder safety programs and fire extinguisher training for local businesses. On the personal side I used to fish and hunt with Frank a lot, play at golf and occasionally win at chess. Frank also took part in several rib cook off events at the Lions Park and one year placed second in the amateur division, he also shared his secret recipe for bios BBQ sauce with me so I could help him cook it.

Frank had a large heart and was a very caring man who would always help anyone who needed it. I am so glad I met this kind soul in my travels while on this earth. I will miss and remember you Captain Frank!!!!

Howard Wachner - June 07, 2014 at 06:06 PM

TP

“ Dear Watkins family,
So sorry to hear of your lost. We smile when we think about all the good food Big Frank cooked on Sundays. You are in our prayers.
Love Tracy and Stacey Pryor.

tracy pryor - June 06, 2014 at 06:34 PM

YM

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Frank when her worked for Buena Vista Fire. He was always a kind and caring man. The world is a better place for having him.

yale miller - June 06, 2014 at 01:30 PM

BF

“ *Barbara Hollis-Lawson And Family lit a candle in memory of Frank Watkins, Jr.*



Barbara Hollis-Lawson and Family - June 06, 2014 at 10:29 AM

 Karen Martin-Brodnex

“ *We grew up living across from Frank Jr and his family and we hold a lot of great childhood memories. I pray God blessing on the family during this time of grief. Karen Martin-Brodnex.*

Karen Martin-Brodnex - June 05, 2014 at 09:41 PM

TC

“ *Tracy L. Cormier lit a candle in memory of Frank Watkins, Jr.*



Tracy L. Cormier - June 05, 2014 at 01:51 PM

BP

“ *To the Watkins Family, God bless you all during this time. This is a wow moment in which I can not believe. Frank was a gentle spirit always with a hearty laugh. There are so many memories of working with him \during the Buena Vista Township days. Gary and Frank was our firefighters in BV. Frank will be missed and the family is in my prayers.*

Barbara Payton and the Payton Family

Barbara Payton - June 05, 2014 at 09:46 AM

BP

“ *Barbara Payton lit a candle in memory of Frank Watkins, Jr.*



Barbara Payton - June 05, 2014 at 09:40 AM

AS

“ *During this time of sorrow, we celebrate the life of Frank. The memories will forever be in my heart of his love and compassion. The suffering has passed and may he rest in the arms of our Saviour that gives life eternally. Family just know that "weeping may endure for the night but joy comes in the morning.".* Angelenia Jones-Scott, Florence, Alabama



Angelenia Jones Scott - June 05, 2014 at 09:33 AM

NJ

“ To the Watkins Family,

Psalm 68:5 talks about being a father to the fatherless. I referred to him as Uncle Frank even though we were not related. He was there as one of the few positive male role models in my life growing up without a father. Uncle Frank took time out for others often. He took boys fishing, camping, hunting, snowmobiling, ice fishing and more. It is because of him that I reach out to the fatherless. It is because of him that I got a boat and a snowmobile and like to fish. He was a good father to his own children and a good father to the fatherless, a good husband, and a man that loved his community. There is much more that I can say about Uncle Frank. I would rather demonstrate what type of man he was with my actions. If I could be half the man that Uncle Frank was, it will be good. God bless the Watkins family. I encourage you to reflect on the many fond memories of this great man.

Sincerely,

Noah Bruner, Jr.

Noah Bruner, Jr - June 05, 2014 at 07:40 AM

JG

“ Jerome Graham lit a candle in memory of Frank Watkins, Jr.



Jerome Graham - June 04, 2014 at 05:26 PM

YW

“ Am go to miss you Mr. Frank Watkins rest in peace. My God comfort and strength the family love you all

yvonne weathers - June 04, 2014 at 12:50 PM

YW

“ Yvonne Weathers lit a candle in memory of Frank Watkins, Jr.



yvonne weathers - June 04, 2014 at 12:43 PM