



## Mr. Joseph James Wiggins

December 25, 1921 - January 27, 2017

Mr. Joseph J. Wiggins was born December 25, 1921 the son of Lee and Lula Irene Wiggins in Union Springs, Georgia. Joseph celebrated his 95th birthday at home on Christmas Day 2016. On January 27, 2017 as he slept at Schnaupps Home and Rehabilitation Senior Care, he passed away.

As a youth he attended school in Union Springs, GA. He later joined and served in the U.S. Navy. He was a longtime resident of Saginaw, MI. He was employed by General Motors for 40 years at the Grey Iron Foundry, was a member of U. A. W. Local #668, and also a Committeeman.

As a community leader he enjoyed self-improvement. As an avid reader of current events, community related issues were noticed by him. So he contributed much to associations, church organizations, both private and public. Mr. Wiggins had enrichment affiliations with: The Salvation Army, National Law Enforcement, City Library, National Wildlife Federation, Project Hope, Smile Train, In Touch Ministries, Jehovah Witnesses, Boys Town, Salesian Missions and World Victory International Christian Center to name a few. Many friends and family members were recipients of his generosity and care. Mr. Wiggins sponsored over 100 children throughout the years from Africa, Bangladesh, and Cambodia and from other at risk areas of the world. Joseph also volunteered at St. Marys' Hospital for two to three hours weekly. He was a people person who loved a good conversation, a humanitarian and

a philanthropist. In later years he loved connecting with his community, traveling, and relaxing sitting on his porch.

Mr. Wiggins leaves to cherish his memory, a host of family, friends, associates and acquaintances.

The family would like to express special thanks to Mr. Wiggins' caregivers, Hattie Hope-Goodlow, James Underwood and Mrs. Roxie, the VA Nurse.

Visitation will take place from 2-8 p.m. Sunday, February 5, 2017 at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 North Jefferson Avenue. Interment will be at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, Michigan, Monday, February 6, 2017. There will not be a funeral service.

# Cemetery Details

## Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.  
Holly, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 5. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home  
441 N. Jefferson Avenue  
Saginaw, MI 48607  
(989) 754-0481  
evansbrownes@gmail.com  
<https://www.evansbrownesfuneralhome.com>

## Graveside Service

FEB 6. 9:30 AM (ET)

Great Lakes National Cemetery  
G-4200 Belford Rd.  
Holly, MI

# Tribute Wall

CW

“ *Cathy Wilson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Joseph James Wiggins*



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**Cathy Wilson** - February 06, 2017 at 07:37 PM

RD

“ *Joe was a full time UAW Shop committeeman at Saginaw Metal Casting @ that time it was called Grey Iron Foundry. I will add he was a great one also. I will miss you my friend.*  
*Richard Diffin*

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**Richard Diffin** - February 05, 2017 at 08:42 AM

MH

“ *Mary Hannibal lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joseph James Wiggins*



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**Mary Hannibal** - February 05, 2017 at 02:51 AM

LC

“ *Lynnette Colbery lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joseph James Wiggins*



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**Lynnette Colbery** - February 04, 2017 at 09:15 AM

LC

Miss you uncle Joe. Love Lynnette Colbert 🍷🙏

Lynnette Colbert - February 04, 2017 at 09:16 AM

JT

“ JEFFREY TYLER lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joseph James Wiggins



JEFFREY TYLER - February 04, 2017 at 06:03 AM

LP

“ Leon & Brenda Pritchett

Leon pritchett - February 03, 2017 at 07:24 AM

DM

“ Derrell Martin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joseph James Wiggins



Derrell Martin - February 02, 2017 at 07:25 PM

MF

“ Mrs Vera Clark & Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joseph James Wiggins



Mrs Vera Clark & Family - February 02, 2017 at 06:40 PM

MF

*Mr Wiggins I am goin to miss you.... I am goin to miss you sitting on your porch in the morning. ...Tell Mrs Wiggins I said hello....may you continue to rest...love Ursula*

Mrs Vera Clark & Family - February 02, 2017 at 06:44 PM

GI

“ *Uncle Joe, Uncle Joe, was full of surprises...I will remember the laughs and the conversations, the one conversation I will always keep in my heart the way you spoke of your Mother, Lula Irene Tompkins-Wiggins and my mother your sister, Lula Irene Aurora Wiggins-McCall, of how you missed them both. I know you are at peace and I Love you...Peace&Blessings...Your Loving Niece, Gina McCall of Phoenix, AZ...*



Gina - February 02, 2017 at 09:30 AM

BA

“ *Jessie & Sarah Payton and Family*



Barbara - February 02, 2017 at 07:20 AM

GM

“ *Gina McCall lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joseph James Wiggins*



Gina McCall - February 01, 2017 at 08:42 PM

JJ

“ *Jamie And Raymond Hicks, Jr. lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joseph James Wiggins*



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**Jamie and Raymond Hicks, Jr.** - February 01, 2017 at 01:38 PM

JW

“ *Joanie Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joseph James Wiggins*



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**Joanie Williams** - January 31, 2017 at 09:47 PM

MS

“ *Mary Smithers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joseph James Wiggins*



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**Mary Smithers** - January 31, 2017 at 11:34 AM