



Lorenzo Peterson, Sr.

September 28, 1931 - June 22, 2014

Mr. Lorenzo Peterson, Sr. was born on September 28, 1931 to Mr. Guy Peterson and Mrs. Lillie Mae Peterson, in LaVerne, Alabama.

The family moved to Detroit, Michigan where they felt the children would have better opportunities. Lorenzo took advantage of those opportunities and began to work as a young teenager. He delivered coal, worked in the neighborhood grocery store, delivered newspapers and did many other honest jobs to help provide for his family.

In January of 1951, Lorenzo married Geraldine Kennedy and to this union four children were born: Lorenzo Jr, Charles Jerome, Anthony Ronald, and Renee Delores. Lorenzo, Jr. and Renee Delores preceded him in death. Though the marriage ended in divorce after more than thirty years, the two remained friends and family.

He accepted Christ as his Savior and joined Greater Quinn AME Church in Detroit Michigan, and later Bethel AME Church, Saginaw, Michigan

Lorenzo was a hard worker and never missed an opportunity to do an extra job if it meant providing better for his family. His work ethic caused him to move his family to Saginaw, Michigan where he worked at General Motors for more than 35 years before retiring. He also was an excellent mechanic and a

great car repairman. He thought it was important to teach his children how to repair things, how to paint a room, how to fish, how to hunt, how to grow a garden, how to have the best looking lawn in the neighborhood, and how to help the older lady down the block bring her groceries in from the car.

He loved children, not only his, but all the nieces, nephews, cousins, and those in the neighborhood. He taught them all the value of hard work, the meaning of treating others as you wished to be treated, and the joy of being a real friend. He was never too busy to fix a child's bike tire, to take a youngster fishing, or to cook a meal for all the children who migrated to his home.

He loved family and looked out for his siblings and could always be depended upon to extend a helping hand to each of them. They all knew they could count on him. He never missed an opportunity to participate in a family gathering. Peterson Family reunions, Kennedy Family reunions, graduations, weddings, anniversary celebrations, funerals, retirements, birthday celebrations, holiday parties, fish fries, you name it, Lorenzo was there.

Lorenzo's health began to fail a few years ago and he began a ritual of dialysis. As his body began to deteriorate, his spirit did also. God in His tender mercy called him home on Sunday, June 22, 2014.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Guy and Lillie Mae Peterson, children, Lorenzo, Jr. and Renee Delores; brother, Willie B. Peterson and sister, Bessie Lee Peterson Wilson.

He leaves precious memories with his sons, Charles Jerome, Lawrenceville, GA, Anthony Ronald, Saginaw, MI, and Isaiah, Saginaw, MI; daughter, Carrie Renee, Saginaw, MI; sisters, Lelia Belle Peterson Rayford, Saginaw, MI and Mary Frances Peterson Fletcher, Detroit, MI; grandchildren, Valerie Peterson Kelly (Elliott), US Army Com.Sgt. Major Charles Jerome Peterson II (Toni E.),

USAF CM Sgt. Damion L. Peterson (USAF Sr. MSgt. Christy), Sean Peterson (Tiffany), Tiffany Peterson, Cameron Williams and Kalyn Christina Charley Peterson; 15 great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild.

We shall miss our father, our brother, our grandfather, our friend, but we are rejoicing for him. He has gone to the land of no mores: no more dialysis, no more shots, no more pills, no more falls. We look forward to the day of reunion when all God's children shall gather at the feet of Jesus!

Family hour will take place at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 1, 2014 at the Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 North Jefferson Avenue with the funeral service commencing at 11:00 a.m. Rev. Lenore Williams will officiate. Friends may call at the funeral home on Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. until time of service.

Previous Events

Family Hour

JUL 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home
441 N. Jefferson Avenue
Saginaw, MI 48607
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lorenzo Peterson, Sr.



Browne's Mortuary - July 01, 2014 at 12:15 PM



“ Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Lorenzo Peterson, Sr.



Browne's Mortuary - June 30, 2014 at 07:17 AM

MA

“ Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace constantly in every way. May the Lord be with all of you.- 2 Thes 3:16. I am sorry for your loss..... WWW.JW.ORG

Margaret - July 04, 2014 at 10:30 AM

BF

“ *Brenda, Adrienne And Steven Reynolds & Family lit a candle in memory of Lorenzo Peterson, Sr.*



Brenda, Adrienne and Steven Reynolds & Family - July 03, 2014 at 05:14 PM

BH

“ *Barbara Harrison lit a candle in memory of Lorenzo Peterson, Sr.*



Barbara Harrison - July 02, 2014 at 01:38 PM

TP

“ *To my other family I will always remember my pops he was very funny and a loving man everytime I seen him he always had that big smile on his face, My pops. To Charles Tony(brother in law) and family I love you guys I will continue to pray for healing, I know your pain. I love you pops, Tabitha.....*

TABITHA PETTY - July 02, 2014 at 08:17 AM

LO

“ *Leah O'Daniels lit a candle in memory of Lorenzo Peterson, Sr.*



Leah O'Daniels - July 01, 2014 at 04:36 PM

LO

To The Peterson Family,

I will always remember Mr. Peterson as a man with a big heart and with that big smile that he always had on his face whenever you saw him. The last time that I saw him was several years ago when I was in Saginaw visiting my family. When I saw him I wondered if he remembered me. When I spoke to him I asked him did he remember me and with that big grin on his face he said girl you know I remember you and he gave me a big huge. That was the man that I grew up knowing. Even though he is no longer with us those of us who knew will never forget him. Love to you all... Leah (LeeAnn) Conway O'Daniels

Leah O'Daniels - July 01, 2014 at 04:56 PM

VP

“*Vyethel Kemp Peterson lit a candle in memory of Lorenzo Peterson, Sr.*



Vyethel Kemp Peterson - July 01, 2014 at 07:26 AM



“ To Anthony (Tony), Isaiah and entire family:
Mr. Peterson was a kind, loving gentleman
and no matter when I ran into him he would
always have the big smile on his face. I came
to know him through Tony who was once
married to my cousin Sherry, from then on Tony was my cousin and
always will be and Mr. Peterson was always our family friend. On
behalf of the George and Pulliam family we extend our deepest
sympathy to you. To my nephew Isaiah, I say to you - be the man
that your dad was and strive to always keep a smile on your face.
May God give the entire family strength as you endure the days
ahead. Mr. Peterson has laid the road for you as a living example of
what a "Man of Valor" is. May bless you and keep you.



Humbly Submitted,

Sylvia George - on behalf of the George and Pulliam families

Sylvia George - June 30, 2014 at 09:11 AM

CH

“ *To Jacob Isaiah Peterson and the Entire Peterson Family*

Mr. Peterson was a very nice and caring man. I'm truly sorry for your loss of a good gentleman. I remember the last couple of occasion's I had the pleasure of speaking with him were at Texans on Holland having his breakfast. We had a pleasant breakfast and conversation. And when my grandmother Ms. Annie Nelson passed away on June 6, 2012, Mr. Peterson as weak as he was came to her home to pay respect. As sick as he was he came to sit with our family because that was the type of man he was. Humble, Kind, and Generous. Remember that as you pay your final respect. No one can take away your memories of a good man.

Revelation 14:13 - I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Blessed [are] the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them. Rest on Mr. Peterson you will be missed.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Charles A. Sledge and the Entire Nelson Family

Charles - June 28, 2014 at 04:49 PM



“ *Patricia Hill lit a candle in memory of Lorenzo Peterson, Sr.*



Patricia Hill - June 28, 2014 at 04:20 PM

DP

“ *Damion, Chris, Jayman and Javon Peterson purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Lorenzo Peterson, Sr.*



Damion, Chris, Jayman and Javon Peterson - June 28, 2014
at 01:21 PM

HL

“ *Helen A. Lewis lit a candle in memory of Lorenzo Peterson, Sr.*



Helen A. Lewis - June 28, 2014 at 08:07 AM

RB

“ *Rosette M. Blakes sent a virtual gift in memory of Lorenzo Peterson, Sr.*



Rosette M. Blakes - June 26, 2014 at 05:42 PM

RB

“ *Mr. Peterson you have been in my life for a very long time,...you, my mother Mary Nutt, my cousins, the Bandy's were the best of friends...you always taught a young man/lady how to be a young man/lady...told us to respect ourselves and not to take any "wooden nickles",....and you my brother Charles "Al" to help get the squirrels out of your house!...I love you forever...I can see you and moma in Heaven now joking around like always brother and sister...May God bless you and keep you...always in my heart...love you..*

Rosette M. Blakes - June 26, 2014 at 05:33 PM

LJ

“ *Leon Jackson lit a candle in memory of Lorenzo Peterson, Sr.*



Leon Jackson - June 25, 2014 at 06:21 PM

GF

“ *Dear Peterson Family and Friends,
I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your dear loved one. Please accept my sincere condolences. May it comfort you to know that The Most High God has resurrected humans on Earth before through His son Jesus, and He promises He will do so again very soon. (Psalms 83:18,Acts 24:15,Revelation 21:3,4)*

Greene Family - June 25, 2014 at 07:45 AM

CS

“ Chris Snow-Jernigan lit a candle in memory of Lorenzo Peterson, Sr.



Chris Snow-Jernigan - June 23, 2014 at 06:44 PM

HJ

“ Houston And Elaine Jackson, Jr. lit a candle in memory of Lorenzo Peterson, Sr.



Houston and Elaine Jackson, Jr. - June 23, 2014 at 05:13 PM

LH

“ Lois Holiay-Fairris lit a candle in memory of Lorenzo Peterson, Sr.



Lois Holiay-Fairris - June 23, 2014 at 04:55 PM