



Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.

September 6, 1941 - August 26, 2024

Mr. Wilbert Long, Sr. at the age of 82 years, departed this life on August 26, 2024. He was born September 6, 1941 in Blytheville, Arkansas to William and Fannie Mae (Pollard) Long.

Wilbert Long, Sr. moved with his family to Saginaw, Michigan at an early age and was a graduate of Saginaw High School. Shortly after graduation, Wilbert enlisted in the U.S. Army where he served a tour in Germany. Following his Honorable Discharge, he relocated to the Bronx, New York where he began his working career with the New York Transit Authority. Following his retirement, he returned to Saginaw, Michigan in 1991.

Wilbert is survived by his loving wife, Beatrice (Whitten) Long, whom he married on July 26, 1978. They shared a life of love for over 46 years.

Wilbert was the wonderful father of seven children, Wilbert (Daphney) Long, Jr., Alice (Richard) Bryan, Jimmie (Danielle) Long, Gwendolyn Long, Paulette Bigio, Paula Long, and Kathy Carter; he's the grandfather of 17, Jameelah, Paris, Bre'on, Tia, Tynell, Olivia, Asia, Jahlil, Jabir, Ebony, Wilbert, Joselyn, Edwin, Jr., Tiffany, Chynna, Shukri and Cartrice, and the great-grandfather of 16.

Wilbert was a very proud, strong, loving and compassionate man with an

outstanding sense of humor. He enjoyed watching sports and had a strong penchant for cooking and watching others enjoy his food. He was a devoted member of the Glimpse of Hope Ministries, where he served as a Deacon. Wilbert is also survived by two brothers, James (Dorothy) Long, Muncie, IN and William Long, Saginaw, MI; one sister, Mary (George) Terry, Fairview, TX; one sister-in-law, Idella Long, Atlanta, GA; many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends including special friend since childhood, Mr. Tyrone Bryant and a special longtime friend, Georgia Blakes-Pierce.

Mr. Wilbert Long, Sr. was preceded in death by his parents, William and Fannie (Pollard) Long; daughter, Paula Long; brothers, Huey Long, Jimmie Long and David Long; many aunts, uncles, nephews, and cousins.

Wilbert will always be remembered by all that knew him. Countless stories have been told of his inspiration and encouragement to family and friends. His legacy of kindness, devotion and humor will live on within each of us. His love will be forever with us.

The family would like to express sincere thanks to those who have offered prayers and medical support. A very special thanks to his Pastor (Leslie Lewis), and Barbara Addison for their unrelenting support.

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 N. Jefferson Ave., Saginaw, MI 48607. Pastor Leslie Lewis will officiate. Interment in Great Lakes National Cemetery, G4200 Belford Rd., Holly, Michigan 48442. Visitation will take place from 9:00 a.m. until the time of service.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 4. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

SEP 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home
441 North Jefferson Avenue
Saginaw, MI 48607

Tribute Wall



“ *Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.*



Browne's Mortuary - September 04, 2024 at 10:40 AM

VF

cannot hear...up the mic volume

Vernessa Fry - September 04, 2024 at 03:32 PM

AL

“ *Alice Long-Bryan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.*



Alice Long-Bryan - March 20, 2025 at 07:27 PM

OW

“ *Olivia Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.*



Olivia Wilson - September 04, 2024 at 12:27 PM

JW

“ Jimmie & Beverly Westbrook lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.



Jimmie & Beverly Westbrook - September 04, 2024 at 10:09 AM

FG

“ Sending my deepest heartfelt sympathy and condolences to the family and friends. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. May God give you peace, strength and comfort.



Fredricka “Ricky” Gist - September 03, 2024 at 10:48 PM

JA

“ On behalf of the "RWDL" family we thank you for your love and support of your family down through the years. Thank you for serving your country with honor, and as a man of God. Rest in peace my cousin, and brother in the Christ.

Julius Anderson - September 03, 2024 at 09:58 PM

PM

“ Pamela Brown Maloy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.



Pamela Brown Maloy - September 03, 2024 at 07:12 PM

KF

“ Kenneth & Gladys Fields



Kenneth Fields - September 03, 2024 at 01:21 PM

ET

“ Ebony, T.j, K'zjun, Teagan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr..

Ebony, T.j, K'zjun, Teagan - September 03, 2024 at 12:03 PM

ET

“ Ebony, T.j, K'zjun, Teagan purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White for the family of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr..



Ebony, T.j, K'zjun, Teagan - September 03, 2024 at 12:03 PM

LH

“ Luther Harrell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.



Luther Harrell - September 03, 2024 at 10:30 AM

LF

“ *Linnie Mae Dent & the Dent Family purchased the Simply Lily for the family of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr..*



Linnie Mae Dent & the Dent Family - September 03, 2024 at 09:54 AM

LF

“ *Love Cecil and Alberta Lee and family purchased the Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr..*



Love Cecil and Alberta Lee and family - September 03, 2024 at 08:35 AM

AF

“ *Athen And Margery Flournoy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.*



Athen and Margery Flournoy - September 03, 2024 at 08:33 AM

CS

“ *Colleen R SMITH lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.*



Colleen R SMITH - September 02, 2024 at 10:31 PM

WH

“ William And Freddie Hodges sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.



William and Freddie Hodges - September 02, 2024 at 08:47 PM

GB

“ Gwendolyn White Bowman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.



Gwendolyn White Bowman - September 02, 2024 at 03:12 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr..



September 02, 2024 at 11:03 AM

ML

“ You will truly be miss Mr. Wilbur Long always had a smile . May you now take your rest in peacec 🙏

marsha Lee - September 02, 2024 at 09:05 AM

CR

“ *Carmen Pratt And Sons Fred Jr And Ryan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.*



Carmen Pratt and Sons Fred jr and Ryan - September 01, 2024 at 01:56 PM

RW

“ *Rodney Walker And Barbara Walker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.*



Rodney Walker and Barbara Walker - September 01, 2024 at 01:44 PM

BK

“ *Bobby & Thelma (Moten) Kelley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.*



Bobby & Thelma (Moten) Kelley - August 31, 2024 at 09:20 PM

BC

“ *Billy And Karen Cork lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.*



Billy and Karen Cork - August 31, 2024 at 08:05 PM

VP

“ *Vyethel Kemp Peterson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.*



Vyethel Kemp Peterson - August 31, 2024 at 09:44 AM

MF

“ *Mosella Reed & Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.*



Mosella Reed & Family - August 31, 2024 at 08:30 AM

CO

“ *Crystal OBryan sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.*



Crystal OBryan - August 30, 2024 at 11:03 PM

MS

“ *Mary Stokes sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.*



Mary Stokes - August 30, 2024 at 10:40 PM

SJ

“ Sam And Truthia Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.



Sam and Truthia Jones - August 30, 2024 at 06:36 PM

DS

“ Dr.Willie Earl & Carrie Thomas, Sr. sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.



Dr.Willie Earl & Carrie Thomas, Sr. - August 30, 2024 at 05:38 AM

MN

“ My condolences to the family of Wilbert Long Sr. It was a blessing to have been raised along side this wonderful family.

Mary (Georgia) Nettles - August 30, 2024 at 01:35 AM

LM

“ LOUDEAN MOULTRIE sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Wilbert Long Sr.



LOUDEAN MOULTRIE - August 28, 2024 at 09:02 PM

IY

“ *My condolences to the family you are in my prayers. Wilbert was my school mate.*



Isabel Yrlas-Wilson - August 27, 2024 at 03:29 PM

DB

Condolences to the. Entire. Family Wilbert will always be rember from Saginaw manufacturing

Dorothy A.(Holden) Brown - August 30, 2024 at 05:16 PM

CL

“ *Sending sincere condolences to the family.
May the Lord give you comfort & strength during this time of bereavement.*

Charles & Minister Debroah Lee-Metcalfe - August 27, 2024 at 10:42 AM