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Nieces Nephews



# Expressions of Gratitude

To know how greatly loved and missed Jerry will be brings us comfort and the determination to live each day with the love and gratitude he shared with us all. The guidance, grace and kindness you've shown our family during this most difficult time has been such a blessing. We deeply appreciate all of your compassion and support.

# Special Thanks

Clark S. Brown & Sons Funeral Home Winston-Salem, NC

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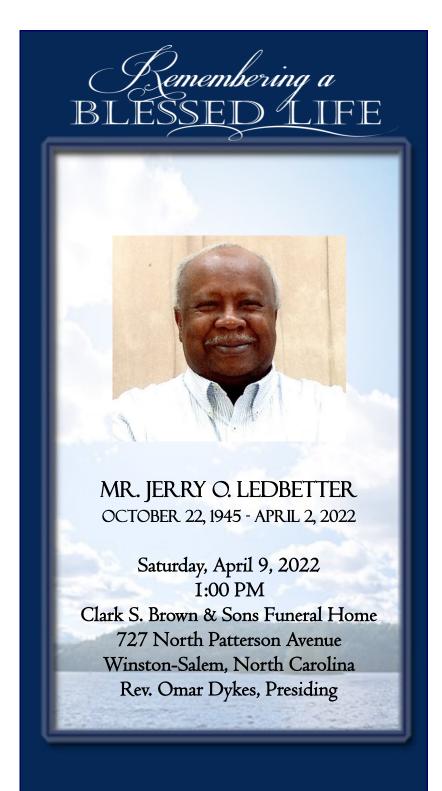
VFW Post 9010 Clemmons, NC

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Iota Phi Omega Chapter Lorain/Sandusky/Elyria, OH

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations to AMVETS in the name of Jerry O. Ledbetter. Donations can be made via the following website: https://support.amvets.org/default.aspx?tsid=9966/



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# The Obituary

Jerry Orlanda Ledbetter 76, passed into eternal rest on April 2, 2022 surrounded by his family. He was born on October 22, 1945 in Winston-Salem, NC. He was a 1968 graduate of Livingstone College in Salisbury, NC. Afterwards, he joined the United States Marines where he served from 1968 to 1972. In that year he moved to Lorain, Ohio.

Jerry began his career as a teacher in the Lorain City School System. Later, he went on to work for Lubrizol Corporation in Avon Lake, OH as a Purchasing Director. With 35 years of dedicated service, he retired from that position in 2010. After retiring, he discovered a new passion and worked as manager and president of the board for Fulton Homes, Inc. in Lorain, OH. In the city, he was a member of Wesley United Methodist Church. He also held memberships in Black River Lodge #1752. I.B.P.O.E. and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Jerry's hobbies included fishing, shooting, playing Sudoku and watching programs about animals.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Naomi Ledbetter; sisters, Barbara (Richard) Herring and Antoinette (Robert) Hunt; and grandson, Aaron Bailey.

Jerry is survived by his wife of 52 years, Lynette; son Jerry O. (Erica) Ledbetter, Jr. of Westerville, OH; and daughter, Janelle Ledbetter (Torry) Bailey of Durham, NC. He has three granddaughters: Jaelene Bailey, Aurelia Ledbetter and Jocelyn Ledbetter. Also surviving Jerry are sisters, Jackie Spencer, Miriam (David) Wagner, Gail Foxx, Bernadette (LaVaughn) Booker and Donna (Calvin) Hendrickson all of Winston-Salem, NC. Brothers surviving are: Ray Ledbetter, Oscar (Sallie) Ledbetter of Winston-Salem and Tyrone (Derreka) Ledbetter of Charlotte, NC. Jerry leaves behind many family members and friends from North Carolina and Ohio.

### The Order of Service

#### **Processional**

**Rev. Omar Dykes, Presiding** 

**Opening Selection** 

Adrienne Speas

## **The Holy Scripture**

Old Testament - Psalm 34:18-19 Diamond Cotton

New Testament - Revelation 21:4 Brandon Booker

### **Prayer of Comfort**

Rev. Dr. Valerie Tate Everett

### **Selection**

Adrienne Speas

# **Special Tributes**

Tyrone Ledbetter Torry Bailey Aurelia Ledbetter

### **Selection**

Adrienne Speas

### **Eulogy**

Rev. Omar Dykes

### Recessional

## **Interment with Military Honors**

Evergreen Cemetery

## Our Tribute



### Reflections

Our Grandpa was a wonderful human being. He made everyone smile like beams of sunlight. He made everyone laugh. He was benevolent, considerate and most of all, he was loving. It hurts knowing there are no more hugs for him to give.

But I know he watches us from heaven.
It hurts knowing he won't be able to talk to us.
But I know he watches us from heaven.
It hurts knowing he can no longer watch his alien conspiracy shows with us.

But he watches them from heaven.

"... the goal isn't to live forever, the goal is to create something that will"- Charles Palahniuk. That's exactly what Grandpa did, he lives through his family. His wife, son, daughter, grandchildren, siblings, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Grandpa is with us. Look around, he's in every single one of us. God gained an incredible human being. We love you Grandpa, we all do.

By Aurelia Ledbetter