



Hosea O. Turner Sr.

December 22, 1918 - April 3, 2017

Hosea O. Turner, Sr., 98, of Benton Harbor died Monday, April 3, 2017 at the Alexian Brothers Hospice Residence in Elk Grove Village, IL.

Services celebrating his life will be held at Noon on Monday, April 10, 2017 at Second Baptist Church, 600 Donald Atkins Dr., Benton Harbor. Burial will follow at Crystal Springs Cemetery. You are invited to meet with family and friends from 11 AM until the time of the service at the church. Memorial contributions may be made to the 2nd Baptist Church Scholarship Fund. Please share memories, messages or photos at www.florin.net.

Hosea was born on Dec. 22, 1918 in Colt, AR to Cornelius and Sally Turner. He was honored by the State of Missouri and the city of Popular Bluff for playing center for the Missouri Basketball League. During that time his high school won 1937-1938 back-to-back State Championships. He attended college at the Lincoln University in Jefferson City. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Army during World War II. He married Vivian Thornton on March 12, 1943, who preceded him in death on Dec. 8, 2011 after 68 years of marriage. Hosea retired from Whirlpool in 1982 after 34 years, working in several capacities. He joined the Second Baptist Church in 1947 and was an active member, singing in various choirs and serving on the Trustee and Deacon Boards. He was a faithful worker helping to remodel and maintain the church. Hosea and his family enjoyed traveling to almost all 50 states touring,

camping and fishing. Hosea was a talented, mild mannered and a hard working individual.

His family includes his sons, Bertram (Deborah) Turner of Palatine, IL and Hosea, Jr (Anita) Turner of Benton Harbor; his 3 grandchildren, Denise, Nathanael and Joshua; his great grandchild, Skylar, his 1 brother and 4 sisters; and many nieces and nephews.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 10. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Second Baptist Church
600 Donald Atkins Dr.
Benton Harbor, MI 49022

Service Celebrating His Life

APR 10. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Burial

APR 10. 2:15 PM (ET)

Crystal Springs Cemetery
1655 E Napier Ave
Benton Harbor, MI 49022

Tribute Wall

JW

“ We are so sorry for your families loss Hosea Jr. I'm keeping you in my prayers.
Jackie and Tom Woltman



Jackie Woltman - April 19, 2017 at 11:24 AM

AS

“ Wishing you peace to bring you comfort, courage to face the days ahead, and loving memories to hold in your heart forever. When we lose a loved one here on earth, we gain an angel in heaven that watches over us. May you take comfort in knowing that you have an angel to watch over you and the angels rejoice as a good soul has made his way home. Our sincere sympathy to the family of Hosea O. Turner Sr.



Alice Lisa Chandler LaWanna Shepard

Alice Shepard - April 13, 2017 at 08:33 AM

DT

Thanks Alice and family! Great words!

Deborah Turner - April 16, 2017 at 12:49 PM

LS

“ *My sincerest condolences to family of Mr Hosea Turner Sr, God keep you and comfort you forever more. I only knew Mr Turner for 2 years, but in those 2 precious years we shaired a lifetime of stories about family friends, history, current events, He was a humble and a gracious gentlemen as ever met. Well done good and faithful servant*

Lance & Elizabeth Stanton - April 09, 2017 at 10:37 PM

DT

Hosea was a gentle, kind and humble man whether you knew him a short time or not, We are grateful for the time you spent with him being a great neighbor! Blessings to you and your family.

Deborah Turner - April 16, 2017 at 12:52 PM

KS

“ *Condolences to the entire Turner Family Cousin Bo was one of a kind. God bless each and every one of you during this time of bereavement, Turner, Ruffin, Shannon Families*



Kulada Shannon - April 09, 2017 at 08:50 PM

BB

“ *My Uncle Beau was a phenomenal man he loved his family. He has left a legacy for us. He fought a good fight he has finished his course.*



Brenda Blackman - April 09, 2017 at 08:55 AM

KM

“ *The mortal home at 1291 Pearl has become silent. Hosea and Vivian Turner are reunited.*

We can envision Mrs. T greeting Mr. T with both a wide smile and just a little note of bewilderment in her voice asking, "you couldn't make it to 100?" "Now Vivian, you know I've waited for this moment long enough!" And Mrs. T might reply, "That's fine. You've always been #1 with me! That's the only number that matters.

With a obvious note of excitement, Mr. T's next words might be, "Hey, let's go renew our Vows!" Mrs. T breaks out in laughter, "you silly, we don't have to do that anymore.....unless you insist."

They come together and proceed to dance in ballroom fashion reminiscent of their wedding day gazing intensely into each other's soul, all the while showing off their immortal attire. The presence of Angels celebrate their newest addition in song.

When our family met Mr. and Mrs. Turner in 1996, it became immediately apparent by being in their presence that these two had a Love for each other that was beyond reproach.

To The Turner Family, we grieve for your loss. And yet we rejoice in knowing that their just reward for the Christ Like Love and Guidance which they bestowed upon all of us is now being rewarded forevermore.

God Bless,

Kenneth & Deborah Mitchell & Family

Kenneth Mitchell - April 07, 2017 at 06:07 PM



“ *Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Hosea O. Turner Sr..*



April 07, 2017 at 05:00 PM



“ *My uncle, you showed loved everytime i saw your smiling face. You were a joy to be around. Now join your love Aunt Vivian with that same beautiful smile. Rest Peacefully*



Kenya Johnson - April 07, 2017 at 02:22 PM



“ *From the flint turners Cuzzin Bo was The sweetest most kind and funny man he will be missed from Maeosie and Cynthia turner RIH CUZZIN BO 🙏*



cynthia turner - April 07, 2017 at 09:30 AM



I thank God for my uncle Bo. I am glad I had opportunities to chat with him about life. His advice and encouraging words lingers in my heart. We are blessed to have had him all these years. Prayers to my family.

Gerry Brown (neice) - April 07, 2017 at 12:13 PM



Hosea was surely one of the nicest men I have ever met and worked with while at Whirlpool. I know for certain that the peace of the Lord will follow him thru his journey in Heaven. RIP my old friend.

Guinn Hill - April 07, 2017 at 06:52 PM