

Expressions of Gratitude

The family of Frank (Larry) McCrary is extremely grateful for all acts of kindness displayed during this difficult time. The love that was shown for Frank has been very much appreciated; whether you sent a card or flowers, spoke comforting words, lent a shoulder, whispered a prayer, or simply kept us in your thoughts. There are too many people to name but know it has not gone unnoticed.

A special thank you for the care and support provided by the Columbus VA home base care team and his caregiver Ronnesha Lawwton. Thank you to Pastor Maurice Jackson and Pastor Eddie Poindexter for your services and special thanks to Apostle Lafayette Scales and the Rhema Family for their prayers and assisting with the repast meal.

Pallbearers

*DeAngelo Adkins - Kelly Reeves - Xavion Curry - Davon Smoot
Jerry Jones - Adonis Stone - Dayshawn McCrary*

Flowerbearers

Family and Friends

LOL (Legacy of Love)

*A husband, a father, a grandpa too
This is the legacy we have from you
You taught us love and how to fight
You gave us strength, you gave us insight
A stronger person would be hard to find
And in your heart you were always kind
You fought for us all in one way or another
Not just as a husband, nor just a father
But for all of us you gave your best
And now the time has come for you to rest
So go in peace, you've earned your sleep
Your LOVE in our hearts we'll eternally keep.*

To offer condolences to The McCrary Family,
visit www.TheChapelofPeace.com



Celebrating the Life of



Frank C.
McCRARY

July 26, 1935 - May 2, 2023

Friday, May 12, 2023

The Chapel of Peace North

Visitation: 10:00am Service: 11:00am

Obituary

Frank Oliver McCrary (affectionately known as Larry) passed away peacefully among close family on May 2, 2023, in Columbus, Ohio. Frank was born on July 26, 1935, to Edward McCrary and Fannie (McCrary) Stapleton in Kansas City, Kansas. Frank was the youngest of 13 children.

After high school Frank enlisted in the United States Air Force. After serving in the military, Frank's career included construction work with Labor Local Union 423.

Frank is survived by and leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife and best friend of 59 years; Pauline J. McCrary, son; Stanford E. McCrary and daughter; Sandra J. Gist. Frank is also survived by brothers; Isaac (Pauline) McCrary of Columbus, Ohio and George McCrary of Pahrump, Nevada, sisters-in law; Vernice Jones, Geraldine Robinson, and Doris Barrett, seven grandchildren; Kendle (Cynthia) Mardis, Stanford McCrary Jr., Tamika Smoot, Christie Smoot, Sharia McCrary, Dorothy (Jason) Cheeks, and Devin (Lauren) Gist, a legacy of 32 great grandchildren and 28 great-great grandchildren as well as a loving host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other family members and friends.

Frank is preceded in death by his parents; Edward McCrary and Fannie (McCrary) Stapleton, son; Frank McCrary Jr., brothers; Charles McCrary, Robert McCrary, Earl McCrary, Kenneth McCrary, Edward McCrary, Orville McCrary and Joseph (J.T.) Stapleton, sisters; Edna McCrary, Alice Keith, and Cliffie Owens, sister-in-law; Clara Mae Wooden, and Godson; Kirk Sutton.

Frank was a kind and friendly person to all. He treated everyone the same whether you were a close relative, friend or someone he just met. He had a big (warm) smile and a big boisterous laugh. Frank was crafty in creating his own DIY home projects (you may not have been able to figure out how things were rigged up but they worked).

One of Frank's favorite things to do was to watch old westerns and WWF wrestling on TV; he also enjoyed traveling, especially with his wife to Las Vegas and traveling in his very own RV camper out of town. He loved and adored his grandchildren, but he would become a special uncle to any child he met. Frank loved family get-togethers; he enjoyed planning outings for family gatherings whether it was a picnic, a trip to the amusement park or just hanging out in the back yard, all in the matter of fun (however he would definitely challenge your patience and work your nerves because he would work you to no end in helping to prepare, everyone had to do their part ("you had to work to play") but we could say it was all worth it in the end with lots of fun.

Larry was noted for labeling everything that belong to him with his initials in big bold letters "F.O.M." with a paint that remains on coolers and other items even today. Frank always wanted the biggest and best TV available and any new gadget, he would want the most up to date phone even if it meant with new technology, he didn't know how to operate it. Frank was known for telling entertaining stories, but sometimes with a hint of exaggeration.

There are probably many stories and memories we can reflect on about Frank O. (Larry) McCrary but they probably would all be about the same because there was only one and one only who could match up to "Larry". F.O.M. will certainly be missed by all who loved him and had the honor of knowing him.

**DO NOT STAND
AT MY GRAVE AND WEEP
I AM NOT THERE. I DO NOT SLEEP
I AM A THOUSAND WINDS THAT BLOW
I AM THE DIAMOND GLINTS ON SNOW
I AM THE SUNLIGHT
ON RIPENED GRAIN
I AM THE GENTLE AUTUMN RAIN
WHEN YOU AWAKEN IN THE MORNING'S HUSH
I AM THE SWIFT UPLIFTING RUSH OF QUIET BIRDS IN CIRCLED FLIGHT
I AM THE SOFT STARS
THAT SHINE AT NIGHT
DO NOT STAND AT MY GRAVE AND CRY
I AM NOT THERE. I DID NOT DIE**

Order of Celebration

ORGAN PRELUDE Chapel of Peace Music Ministry
PARTING VIEW Immediate Family
SCRIPTURE READING Pastor Eddie Poindexter
 Old Testament.....
 New Testament
PRAYER OF COMFORT Pastor Eddie Poindexter
SELECTIONChapel of Peace Music Ministry
POEM.....Devin Gist
FAMILY REFLECTION..... Tamika Smoot
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/CONDOLENCESChapel of Peace Staff
REFLECTIONS (2 minutes) Family and Friends
READING OF OBITUARY Read Silently
SELECTION Pastor Maurice Jackson

The Eulogy

Pastor Maurice Jackson

BENEDICTION Pastor Maurice Jackson

RECESSIONAL Clergy, Family & Friends

Interment

Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens

Repast

The Filipinas Centre
3439 Westerville Road
Columbus, Ohio 43224

*I am the resurrection and the life: He that believeth in me
though he were dead yet shall he live.*

And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

~John 11:25-26

A Hero's Welcome

By Robert Longley

Time to come home dear brother
Your tour of duty through
You've given as much as anyone
Could be expected to do

Just a few steps further
The smoke will start to clear
Others here will guide you
You have no need of fear

You have not failed your brothers
You clearly gave it all
And through your selfless actions
Others will hear the call

So take your place of honor
Among those who have gone before
And know you will be remembered
For now and evermore



