



Samuel E. Neal

August 13, 2012 - August 13, 2012

SPRINGFIELD-Samuel Earl Neal, also affectionately known as “Doc”, departed this life on August 13, 2012 at Wingate Healthcare of Springfield, MA. Earl was born in Louisburg, NC on March 19, 1933 to the late Fitzhugh and Beulah (nee Pearce) Neal. He attended the local schools in Louisburg, NC. Post high school, Earl joined the United States Air Force and proudly served his country during the Korean War. Honorably discharged as an aircraft mechanic, in 1959 at Westover Air Force Base, Mr. Neal continued living in Springfield, MA where he met and married the love of his life, Hattie Jones, in 1962. After over thirty years of dedicated service to the City of Springfield, he retired in 1995 as a Supervisor for Environmental Engineering at Springfield Municipal Hospital. Earl was a resilient mentor, giving freely his wisdom, guidance, love and patience. His dynamic character will certainly be missed. He will be remembered by many as a loving husband, father, brother, uncle and faithful friend. Predeceased by his parents, Fitzhugh and Beulah Neal and two sisters, Louise Barnes and Odessa Jackson, he leaves his wife, Hattie Jones Neal of Springfield; daughters, Andea Neal of Stone Mountain, GA and Karla Neal Pierce of Lithonia, GA; brothers: Wiley Neal (Arline) and Willard Neal, Sr. of NC; sister: Pauline Bullock of NY and Marie Gresham (Raymond) of Springfield; grandchildren: D’Juan Neal and Jalen Pierce, great grandson, Jamahl Neal and godson, Darrell Byers; and Marsha Borders and Carl Neal who made their home with the Neal family. He also leaves to mourn his passing brothers-in-law: Albert Jackson, Robert (Joyce), Floyd (Dolores),

Leroy Jones and Charles "Mack Adams; sisters-in-law: Vernella Roney, Macy Pride and Emma Buchanon, an abundance of nieces and nephews and a host of family and friends. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, Black College Tour, Attn: Ronn Johnson, 106 Wilbraham Rd., Springfield, MA 01109. The wake will convene on Monday August 20, 2012, from 6:00pm - 8:00pm at the New England Funeral & Cremation Center, LLC, located at 25 Mill St., Springfield, MA. The funeral services for Mr. Neal will be held on Tuesday, August 21, 2012 at Canaan Baptist Church of Christ, located at 1430 Carew St., Springfield, MA. There will be a final viewing at 11:00am with the funeral service beginning promptly at Noon. Burial with full military honors will follow in the Massachusetts Veterans' Memorial Cemetery. For full details visit www.nefcc.net. John 3:16 - For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Tribute Wall

CD

“ Hattie, Karla, and Andrea, \r\n I was saddened to hear about Earl's passing. My prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time. May you find strength in the many beautiful memories that will always be with you.\r\n\r\n Cindy Davis

Cindy Davis - February 14, 2023 at 10:30 AM

RC

“ Our love, thoughts, and personal prayers are with you that God's comfort will rest and remain upon you. Please know that with God, ALL things are possible. \r\n\r\nAndrea - I love you -You're not \r\nalone.\r\n\r\nSincerely,\r\nRobin Curenton & Family

Robin Curenton - February 14, 2023 at 10:30 AM

BW

“ May God bless, comfort and strengthen Mrs. Neal, her daughters, grandchildren, the many youth so positively influenced by Mr. Neal and all his siblings and his extended family as well as those who are just like family. Mr. Neal was a blessing to his family and to his community. He will be missed but leaves behind a beautiful legacy.

Betsy and Larry Williams - February 14, 2023 at 10:30 AM

MR

“ Cousin, I am deeply sorry and not recently Leroy passed away. My prayers are with you and the rest of the family. I will continue to pray for you and God will comfort you more each day because without the Lord I was blessed to keep myself and the Lord help me through. The Lord will comfort you. Hattie I love you and God bless each and everyday. Love Annie

Mrs. Annie Ratcliff - February 14, 2023 at 10:30 AM

JR

“ *Cousin Hattie, My deepest sympathy goes out to you and the family. The Lord will comfort you and I will keep you in pray. Love you,*
Yvette

Jacqueline Yvette Ratcliff-Dorrah - February 14, 2023 at 10:30 AM

NL

“ *On behalf of the entire staff at New England Funeral & Cremation Center, LLC please accept our sincere condolences on the loss of your beloved husband, father, grandfather and special person to all.*

New England Funeral & Cremation Center, LLC - February 14, 2023 at 10:30 AM

GP

“ *Hattie, my heart goes out to you and your family. I was saddened by the news of Earl's passing. I pray that the Lord will comfort and strenghten you doing this time. The OHio Family will continue to lift you up in prayer.\r\nSincerely,\r\nCousin Gloria Pearce*

Gloria Pearce - February 14, 2023 at 10:30 AM

JB

“ *Ms.Hattie, Andrea, Karla, \r\nI was so sad when I heard about the passing of your beloved husband/father. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Jennifer Brantley - February 14, 2023 at 10:30 AM

KB

“ *To our lovely family, to whom God has called home, Where he has prepared a place for Uncle Earl (Mr. Do Right). On behalf of my loving mother and grandmother we love you and may God continue to bless you and keep you safe. There is comfort in the name of Jesus. We love you all.*

Karen Bland - February 14, 2023 at 10:30 AM