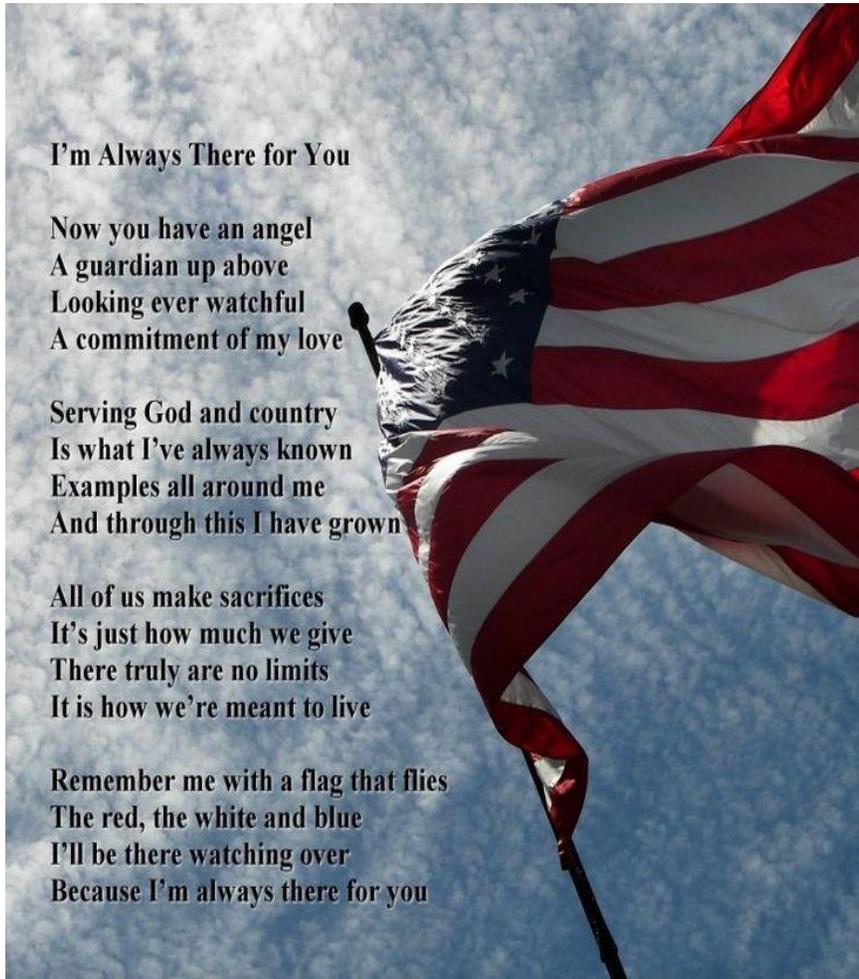


Acknowledgement

The family of Leroy Bennett wishes to express their sincere gratitude for the many expressions of love, care and kindness shown to us during our time of bereavement. Perhaps you send flowers, a card, whispered a prayers or just keep us in your thoughts, no act has gone unnoticed.



I'm Always There for You

Now you have an angel
A guardian up above
Looking ever watchful
A commitment of my love

Serving God and country
Is what I've always known
Examples all around me
And through this I have grown

All of us make sacrifices
It's just how much we give
There truly are no limits
It is how we're meant to live

Remember me with a flag that flies
The red, the white and blue
I'll be there watching over
Because I'm always there for you

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A Celebration of the Life of
LEROY
Bennett

August 17, 1936 - January 2, 2023

**~Visitation~
MONDAY,
FEBRUARY 13, 2023
1:00-2:00 PM
Chapel of Peace North**

Obituary

Leroy Bennett was born August 17, 1936, the youngest of 11 children in Ocilla, Georgia to Lesley Bennett and Seymore Florence.

Leroy departed to be with the Lord on Monday January 2, 2023, at the age of 86 St. Ann's Hospital, in Westerville, OH.

Leroy Bennett enlisted in the United States Army at age 16 and served 4 years in Italy and England. He later moved back to Ocilla, Georgia where he married Roberta Bennett, and they had three children.

Leroy moved to Columbus, Ohio in May of 1962. He began working for the Ohio Board of Education where he was employed for 5 years. He then began working for the City of Columbus, the Sanitation department for 30 years. He also worked part-time for 10 years for COTA Mainstream.

Leroy retired and picked up a hobby in wood carving. He joined The Woodshop at the Martin Janis Center where he attended until the center closed in 2020. Leroy also attended the Church of Christ where he was a Deacon, Usher and faithful member.

He was a dedicated husband, father, grandfather and friend. He loved the Lord and spending time with his family. He loved his westerns, cooking on the grill, famous for his collard greens and listening to his oldies but goodies. He will be truly missed and always loved.

He was preceded in death by mother; Lesley Bennett, father; Seymore Florence, brothers; William Bennett, Nickelous Bennett, Alton Bennett, Lloyd Bennett, Raymond Bennett, Sam Florence, Earl Florence, sisters; Ossie Bennett and Ora Bennett.

He was survived in death by sister; Delorese Lancaster, Three daughters; Gwendolyn Henson, Rhonda Bennett, Angie Smith, sons-in-law; William M. Smith III and Edward Lee Henson, grandchildren; Kanisha Johnson (David), Sharonda Henson, Tashaya Bennett, DeAndre Smith, Alexsia Smith, great-grandchildren, Lavelle Henson-Mitchell, Kayla Napper, Lanesha Henson, Marlee Young, Maya Smith, Adonis Johnson, and Dominic Johnson, special cousin; Mr. Marvin Florence, nieces and nephews; Crissy Lancaster, Annette Lancaster, and Deon Lancaster.

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took his hand when I heard him call;
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work and play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way;
I found that place at the close of day.
If my parting has left a void.
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared a laugh, a kiss;
Ah yes, these things, I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savoured much;
Good friends, good time, a loved ones touch.
Perhaps my time seems all too brief;
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now,
He set me free*