



Arthur Lee Murphy

December 29, 1936 - November 19, 2019

Arthur (Buster) L. Murphy, Sr. was born in Calumet, Alabama to Alexander and Laura Belle Hopson Murphy, December 29, 1936. He was the third child of eleven. Arthur found Christ at an early age and was baptized at Little Zion Baptist Church, Bishop, West Virginia. He departed this life Tuesday, November 19, 2019. He was 82 years old.

He was educated at Bishop Elementary, Newhall Elementary, and graduate of Excelsior High School, War, WV. Upon graduation he enlisted in the United State Air Force and served our country for over 40 plus years. He fought twice in the Vietnam war. He traveled to Germany, China, Japan, Korea, Guam, Amsterdam, Spain, to name just a few. He enjoyed playing in jazz bands in the military. He retired at Grand Forks Air Force Base, Grand Forks, North Dakota. He resided in Fargo North. Dakota. Arthur (Buster's) career changed to work for Valley Bus Company, Fargo, North Dakota.

He is preceded in death by his parents Alexander and Laura B. Hopson Murphy; Brother Robert E. Murphy; sisters; Leola Murphy, Claudine Murphy Cobb, Mozilla Murphy Westmoreland. He leaves to cherish his memories and legacy, his son Arthuro Murphy Hijona; one sister Brenda J. Murphy-Calloway; five brothers, Roy A. Murphy, Sylmar, CA, William H. Murphy, Apopka, FL, Ray L. Murphy, Cincinnati, OH, Bernard G. Murphy, Bluefield, WV and Wilson C. Murphy, Lancaster, CA; a host of nieces, nephews and cousins. Special friends Cordell Sindino, Don Larson, Mike Mollenhoff and Mary Johnson.

The family of Arthur (Buster) wish to express our sincere thanks for all the condolences, prayers, words of encouragement and all acts of kindness. Special thanks to Detective Brent Malone and the Fargo Fire Department. May God's Blessings continue to rest upon you.

Cemetery

Dayton National Cemetery

Dayton, OH,

Events

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Visitation

06:00PM

Hanson-Runsvold Funeral Home

215 7th Street South, Fargo, ND, US, 58103

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Memorial Service

07:00PM

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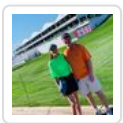
“ Art was a one of kind. He had the biggest heart and so generous with his love and support. He would greet me every time with a big smile and a hug that warmed my heart. We would always have a big laugh when we saw each other. I am so saddened with his loss and wish I could of told him goodbye. We always celebrated our birthdays together. This year we wanted to do something extra special as he was born in 1936 and would of been 83 and I was born in 1983 and will be 36. He always had a story to share and lightened up whenever he spoke of his son, sister Brenda or his other family members. He missed them so much. I am so proud of the man he was and his service to his country. He was old school and didn't have a mean bone in his body. I will miss having lunches together and reprogramming his phone every few months with big laughs in between. May peace be with you.

Olivia - December 07, 2019 at 04:14 PM



“ Art was a very kind man. He had a story of his adventures in the service every time we visited. He was always positive and very generous, always brought treats or some gift for someone. He always talked highly of his family. He was very proud of his time in the service and a real love of planes. He will be missed very much. Fly high amongst the clouds my friend. My deepest condolences to Arts family.

Sandy - November 24, 2019 at 05:36 PM



“ Jeff Knutson lit a candle in memory of Arthur Lee Murphy



Jeff Knutson - November 24, 2019 at 12:14 PM



“ My deepest condolences to Art's family. He was a treasure to us at Valley Bus. A kinder, more generous gentleman cannot be found. I will miss him. Mary Johnson

Mary Johnson - November 24, 2019 at 03:42 AM



“ I've known Art for years. And he's been a great example of a person I would like to know. He had the most kindness heart. And never said a bad thing about anyone. No matter how you treated him. He just wanted the best for everyone. I will see your face Everytime I m at work at Giant Panda or see a car full of stuff. My you dance with the angels. Love Cheryl

Cheryl - November 24, 2019 at 01:43 PM



“ I was very sad to here that Art had passed away. Art was a very good friend. When I owned a local bookstore, Art was a very good customer. He talked many times of his adventures overseas, and about the Air Force. He brightened up my day. He will be sadly missed. Dan Hillstrom

Dan Hillstrom - November 25, 2019 at 07:07 PM



“ I lived in Fargo, ND when I was a young kid during the late 70s and early 80s. My mom, brother and I lived in the brick apartment complex just kitty corner from Kmart right off of South University Drive. There was a bookstore called FM News that was in a small strip mall in the same lot as Kmart. The exact address of our brick apartment complex was on the corner of 25th Ave S and 14th St S. If this person Arthur who passed away was the man that us kids knew than he was one of, if not the most nicest guys my brother and I and our friends ever met. He was also one of the first African American persons we had ever met. He was such a nice guy to us kids. He told us stories about his life. He would invite us over to his apartment across the hall from my apartment. He would always have soda pop on hand and would get some glasses out and wipe them clean with a cloth, put some ice cubes in the glasses and fill them up with soda pop for us to drink. We would sit and talk and watch TV and hang out with Arthur. I remember his laugh like yesterday. Arthur told us that he worked on the Grand Forks, ND Air Force Base and he was proud of his service and was the nicest, most soft spoken humble guy us kids ever met. I think he said he was a mechanic. He would even give us kids some quarters to go to Bump and Tilt to play video games. My mom, brother and I moved out of Fargo, ND in 1984 and we never got back to Fargo to visit Arthur. I often thought about him over the decades since knowing him since I was in Grade School. I kind of remembered that he said he liked cars and fixing them up. We always thanked him for the nice things he did for us. I wish I had been able to meet him again to say an extra thank you for all the kindness he displayed to us kids. I will never forget Arthur since my parents were divorced and he was kind of like a father figure, role model to us kids. I wish him the best in the afterlife and I am certain he is in heaven where all kind people like him go. Thanks Arthur. Your neighborly friend from Fargo, ND. Anthony

Anthony - May 24 at 07:39 PM