



FRANK LOVE JR.

December 15, 1928 - October 27, 2014

Frank Love, Jr., 85, of Kankakee, died Monday, October 27, 2014 at his home. Visitation will be Sunday, November 2, 2014 from 4:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. at Lax Mortuary and again on Monday, November 3, 2014 from 12:30 P.M. until time of funeral services at 1:00 P.M. at Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church. Pastor C. Ramon Morris will officiate and Pastor Emeritus William H. Copeland Jr. will deliver the eulogy. Burial will be in Mound Grove Gardens of Memory. Memorials may be made to the Kankakee County Chapter of the NAACP.

Frank Love, Jr. was born December 15, 1928 in Kankakee, IL to Mary Jane and Frank Love Sr. He was the fourth child of eleven children. He was baptized at an early age at the Original Church of God, by Elder Gray.

Frank was a graduate of Kankakee High School where he was a star member of the basketball team. He was employed by Mobil Chemical and Valspar Corporation for a combined total of over 37 years. He was also employed by Kankakee School District 111 as Community Services Director for eleven years. He also served as a Justice of the Peace in Kankakee County in the 1960s.

Frank was wedded in Holy Matrimony to Margaret S. Gathing on July 19, 1953. Born of this union were two children, Marcel Franklin Love and Janine

Lily Love. Prior to his marriage, his daughter Denise Cox was born.

Frank was a lifelong resident of Kankakee, IL. After his retirement, he and his wife also enjoyed a winter home in Fort Myers, FL for 10 years.

Frank was a lifetime member of the NAACP and was active in both the Kankakee County (Illinois) Chapter as well as the Lee County (Florida) Chapter and held various positions on their Boards. He was a member of the Kankakee School District 111 Board of Education for 13 years and also served as president of the board.

Frank was a champion for change in the Kankakee Community. He had been recognized by the community and received numerous awards including:
The President's Award for Outstanding Community Leadership in Education, by the Kankakee County Chapter of the NAACP-1982
Kankakee Outstanding Black Republican, in recognition of outstanding community leadership in Civil Rights, Education and Politics-1980
Illinois Office of Education Award for Educational Excellence, State of IL-1977
Outstanding and Dedicated Service, Black History Program, Kankakee School District 111-1984
Meritorious Service as member and president of the Kankakee School District 111 Board of Education-1972-1985
Meritorious Service Award Dedication and Commitment to the Lee County Branch of the NAACP-2003

He was a fan of the Chicago Bears and Chicago Bulls, was a Civil Rights Advocate and was a Black History Historian.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife of 61 years, Margaret S. Love of Kankakee, IL; one son and daughter-in-law, Marcel Love of Kankakee, IL and Barbara Love of Minneapolis, MN; two daughters, Janine Love-Estes of Fort

Myers, FL and Denise Cox of Aurora, IL; two brothers, Norman Love of Park Forest South, IL and Roger Love of Orlando, FL; one sister, Mary Harris of Kankakee, IL; two brothers-in-law and a sister-in-law, Earl and Nancy White of Las Vegas, NV and Nathaniel White Sr. of Kankakee, IL; 11 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mary Jane and Frank Love Sr.; five brothers, George, Ronald, Sam, Leroy and Leslie Love and one sister, Darlene Brantley.

Tribute Wall

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NEW CANADA GOOSE TRILLIUM DOWN PARKA JACKET M MEDIUM WOMENS - December 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *I would like to express my sorrow for the loss of your love one.*

Jerome D. Pankey - November 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ *Love you Uncle Frank*

Sonja Franks-Bennett - November 17, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ *You have my deepest sympathy, God Bless the Family.*

Margaret Archie - November 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SJ

“ *My prayers are with the "Love" family during their time of grieving. I remember Mr. Love and his BAKING, the beautiful home in Gracefield his unconditional LOVE for his family and his name 'Grandpa Frank'. I am sure the family needs all the prayers, e*

Shalonda Johnson - November 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ *My Condolences to the entire Love Family. Know that you are in my prayers.*

Terry Lloyd - November 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ *Please accept my heartfelt sympathy for your loss. My thoughts are with the entire Love Family during this difficult time.*

Elayne Coffie - November 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ *May God give you comfort and peace at this time.*

Cathleen Taylor - November 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *May God's peace and comfort be with you at this sad time. Frank was a wonderful gentleman who always strived to make things better in the community. My prayers are with you and may your memories of a well-respected man/your husband/father bring smile*

Mary (Otten) Thomson - November 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

WJ

“ *My heartfelt condolences to Norman and the entire Love family. May God bless and comfort each of you.*

Walter (Rick) Jones - November 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *I want to express my sympathy to the Love family. May God be with you all during this time of need and always.*

Audrey Dear McMiller - November 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *Our prayers are with the family!!*

Richard Hardaway - November 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EL

“ *May you now rest in the arms of the Father, Mr. Love. My sincere sympathy to you Mrs. Love and your family.*

Ethel Lee - November 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ *My Prayers are with you all.*

Shelley Doggett - November 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *My condolences to the Love Family. Love u Aunt Margaret*

Jamilah Grant Criswell&Family - November 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ *I remember the highly admired and respected Mr. Frank and Mrs. Margaret Love. I was their paperboy many years ago there in Kankakee.*

He and his brothers Officer Norman and Roger were really good role models for many of us young kids growing up on the nor

Elder Danny C. Brewster, Sr., M.Div - November 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *To my friend Marcel, and family, my prayers and my love goes out to you during your times of bereavement. God is your source of strength, trust him. Love always, Sue*

Sue Billings - November 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *you are in my prayers*

minnie brewer brewster - October 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ *So sorry for your loss. I worked with Frank at Mobil in the late 60's.*

My sympathy to the entire family.

Pat Watson-Billadeau - October 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ *Sending my condolences to you Mrs. Love and family. May God bless each of you and I will keep you in my prayers.*

Carolyn Hairston Rice - October 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ *My heartfelt condolences to the Love family. May you find peace and comfort in knowing that your loved one was a generous and upstanding pillar in the Kankakee community. Trust God and He will see you through the seasons of life.*

Patricia Jamison - October 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM