



LAMONT UPTON

June 18, 1948 - February 18, 2016

Lamont Upton, 67, of Pembroke Township, IL, departed this life on Thursday, February 18, 2016 at Presence St. Mary's Hospital, after a lengthy illness. Visitation will be Friday, February 26, 2016 from 4:00 until 8:00 P.M. at Lax Mortuary and again on Saturday, February 27, 2016 from 9:00 A.M. until time of funeral services at 10:00 A.M. at Greater New Hope Missionary Baptist Church. Pastor Howard L. Wills Sr. will officiate. Burial will be in Kankakee Memorial Gardens.

Lamont was born to the union of the late Reverend Lamoan and Joyce Upton on June 18, 1948 in Chicago Illinois. Lamont accepted Christ at a young age at Union Baptist Church in Pembroke, Illinois. He attended Momence High School where he starred in Basketball, Football and Track & Field. He furthered his education at Thornton Community College in South Holland, Illinois, where he obtained his Associate's in Arts Degree in June 1975.

Lamont joined the United States Marine Corps in 1966 and served his country while fighting in the Vietnam War from 1966-1968. Lamont was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnamese Service Medal and Vietnamese Campaign Medal before he was honorably discharged from the Marines in 1968. Upon receiving his discharge, Lamont worked for the Chicago Transit Authority as a bus driver until he started his career in Law Enforcement in

1977. Lamont worked for the Dwight Correctional Center as a correctional officer and he later transferred to the Juvenile Correctional Department for youth where he worked until he began his career at the Kankakee Police Department in January 1983. Lamont served in various roles while with the Department: Patrolman, Juvenile Officer, Detective, and Patrol Supervisor, after being promoted to Sergeant in 1999. Lamont devoted 25 years to the Kankakee Police Department until his retirement in March 2008. Lamont loved the brotherhood he obtained from the Law Enforcement Community.

Lamont affectionately known as "June Bug" lived a private and simple life, however he lived his life to the fullest. He was a fun loving person who dedicated his life to taking care of others. He also enjoyed watching sports and movies, purchasing old cars, cooking, and reminiscing about old times with friends and family.

Lamont leaves to cherish his memories; his loving wife, Holly Jo Upton of Pembroke Township, IL; four daughters, Carlaia (Joe) Randall of Little Rock, AR, Patrina Johnson of Chicago, IL, Toni (Marcus) Gipson of Matteson, IL and Michelle (Tilovon) Crite of Springfield, IL; five sons, Shannon Upton of Bourbonnais, IL, Frank Upton of Ft. Myers, FL, Jarred Upton of St. Anne, IL, Joshua (Nicole) Upton of Momence, IL and Michael (Mary) Bennett of Kankakee, IL; four brothers, Marvin (Shelia) Upton, Derrell Upton, Tyress (Kiela) Upton and Mark (Tina) Upton; four sisters, Kimberly Upton, Cassandra (Freddie) Hollins, Dayna Upton, and Kina Baker; special aunt, Barbara Hughes; special friends, Adrienne (Jessie) Hinds; 28 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and a host of sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Hardy and Leona Hughes and Henry and Bettie Yancy; his parents, Reverend Lamoan and Joyce Upton; his first wife, Bobbie Upton; one sister, Valerie Gebre; one brother,

Michael Upton and one grandson, Keante Johnson.

Tribute Wall

RR

“ Lamont - There are so many things to say for which I simply can't find words. You were always such a 'Presence' on the Police Department - who's personality was so encouraging and uplifting. You were 'cool' - 'hardwor

Ron Riml - March 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RT

“ My condolences to the Family, you're in my Prayers. Thank You Mr. Upton for the times we crossed paths. You always had some knowledge to share with me to put me on the right path when I was out there in the streets doing wrong. God Bless You !!

Roderick Thomas - March 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Our Thoughts & Prayers are with the Family.

Arthur & Doretha Gray - February 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BU

“ To the Upton family, I am so truly lost for words!! Smh u all will definitely be in our prayers!! UPTON will truly be missed!!!!

Bridgett Underwood - February 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ Our condolences to the entire Upton family!

Catrice T./Tim Jones - February 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ *My deepest Condolences to you'll in your time of grief*

Sonja Franks - February 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ *My prayers & thoughts are w/ Lamont's family & friends ... He will be deeply missed by the Class of 1966 as we celebrate our 50th reunion this year...*

Linda Spann Gero - February 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

VC

“ *Sending your family our deepest condolences, STAY STRONG!*

love the Primars

Varnell n Cynthia - February 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ *My Condolences to The Upton Family..RIP Lamont*

Adrienne Walker - February 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

T-

“ *My condolences to the entire family. May you find comfort in the Almighty as you lay one of Kankakee finest to rest Officer Lamont Upton to rest...*

Terry Wilson -Lloyd - February 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ *Holly,I was honored to taking care of Lamont at St. Mary`s. You`ll have an angel watching over you & my prayers are with you & family. Take care of yourself. claire bear*

claire harrawood - February 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ Prayers for the family, he was a great friend to my family, he will be missed.

Andrienne Harris - February 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ My condolence to the family for this great loss. My father spoke highly of him. ..I remember him when I was younger in school telling my father I was misbehaving..rest in peace

Prestina McNickles - February 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ I'm truly sorry for the family loss. My prayers with your family.

Jalanda - February 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ So sorry for your loss, Praying for the family.

Debbie Autman - February 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CV

“ OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL. THE VINE FAMILY

CLARA VINE - February 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ Prayers for the family of this wonderful man. He was a classmate that I would never forget because he had such a caring personality. I was thinking of him as our 60th Class Reunion drew near. It won't be the same without him.

Gloria Drousse - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ Will be missed

Tonya Jefferson - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ Sorry for the loss of your love one, God has given him his wings

Morris @ Elder Sonya Tyson - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ I am sorry for loss. He was good man and did a nice job on the police force.

Micheal hodges - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ Praying for you all keep us in your prayers. we lost our dad in Nov. Both are great men.

Brenton White - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Sorry for your loss praying for the entire family. Mr. Upton was a very good man, he will truly be missed.

Jolan Well-Shell - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ My heart grieves and my spirit weakens as we face this insurmountable loss. Although I'm unable to physically be there, I'm with each and everyone of you in spirit, prayer and supplication. I miss my brother more than my heart can express. I lov

Cassandra Upton Hollins - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *Monique, I will keep you and your family in my prayers. Lamont will be missed by many.*

Barbara Hall - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ *Hugs, love, prayers and condolences from my family to yours.*

Miranda Howery Jeter - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ *My prayers go out to the family as I offer my deepest condolences*

Cedric Johnson & Family - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *My condolences to the Upton family.*

Doug Garfield - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ *My prayers and condolences to the Upton family. Lamont always had a smile on his face. R.I.P.*

Patricia Jamison - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ *MY PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCE TO THE UPTON FAMILY MAY GOD BE WITH YOU ALL DOURING THE LOSS OF A LOVE ONE*

ROBERT WASHINGTON - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ Toni, my sympathies are with you and your family. The loss of a parent is especially hard when they are so young, as you must know now that they are both gone. My heart aches for you. Your Dad was a decent man and was loved by so many. May the memories th

Teri (Menard) Worth - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ My prayers are with the family. He will be missed. God bless you.

Mark&Annie Calbert - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ My deepest Sympathy to the Lamont Upton Family.

Margaret Archie - February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ My prayers are with you always. Lamont was greatly loved and will be missed every day.

Linda Willis Samuels - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ My condolences to the family. He will be missed by many. Lord bless you.

Jerome White - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Toni, my heartfelt sympathy goes out to you and your family for the loss of your father. You guys are definitely in my prayers at this time.

Karen Brackett - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ *My Prayers and condolences to this family. May God give you the strength that you need during this time of sorrow. Officer Lamont Upton will be truly missed. God bless each and everyone of you.*

Claudine Thompson - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ *We were saddened by the news of Mr. Upton's passing, so, we remind you of one of the promises of God: Fear not for I AM with you; be not dismayed; I AM your God: I WILL strengthen you, I WILL help you, I WILL uphold you... Continue to carry your Dads*

Rolanda Crawley and Rhonda Love - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

YP

“ *Our prayers are with the family, a great man and he will greatly be missed by us all*

Yondale & Rosalinda Phagan - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *I am so very sorry for your loss. Glad I got to know him. Very great man. Æ°Å,â€TMÅ”*

Stephanie Billips - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ *Your memory will forever be in my heart. Rest up Junebug no more pain nor suffering*

LaToyia - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ *Mr. Upton was outstanding person. He will be missed by everyone.*

Ms.Cheryl Wilson and family - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ *Sorry For your Loss*

Catherine Jackson - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ *Upton family you will be in my prayers...*

Shantell Smith - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *My ÆçÂ Â goes to the family of Mr. Upton, may God continue to be with you all as you lay him to rest. Praying for you all. My condolences to the family of Upton.*

Joyce Bynum - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ *May God Bless and Keep you as a family. You have my deepest sympathy at this time of bereavement.*

Carolyn Rice - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ *Sending love to the Upton family. May God bless you all with strength and endurance through this rough time.*

Timika Rogers - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *My condolences and prayers to the family. He was a great friend and will be missed.* ”

Betsy Barnes - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *Sorry for yall loss. u and ur family in my prayers* ”

rhonda - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ *Sorry for your loss praying for your family, very good man he will be missed!* ”

Patsey Anderson - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *"My prayers are with you in this difficult time..."* ”

Ms. Vanessa A. Holden - St. Paul, MN - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *Our condolences to the Upton family from
Davie Morrow
L.C Morrow
Stevie Morrow & Davie Gatlin Jr.
Much Love & God Bless
Everyone is in Our Prayers* ”

Davie Morrow - February 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM