



John Nolan Lewis

March 20, 2015

“I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith”

John Nolan Lewis was born to the proud parentage of the late Mr. Ezell and Mrs. Aresular Carson Lewis in Tylertown, Mississippi. He departed this life Friday, March 20, 2015 surrounded by his devoted and loving family.

John started his educational career in Tylertown, Mississippi and then later moved to New Orleans, Louisiana where he graduated from Booker T. Washington Senior High School in 1965. He was drafted into the Arm Forces where he served in Vietnam War and was honorable discharged January 1, 1973.

John met the love of his life Diann Harris in 1965 where they were formerly introduced by her sister Joann. When John laid eyes on Diann he knew he had found his soul-mate and the woman that he would spend the rest of his life with. The two vowed and pledged their love for each other in 1969. To this union four children were born Patrice, John Victor Nolan, Demetrius and LaShonda. The Lewis Clan was a force to be reckoned with “Shipping Lewis” as the captain.

John loved his family, good times and boiling seafood. In 1993 he found a new love and that was becoming a “Grandfather.” His grandchildren were the apple of his eyes and they could do no wrong. They could be found sitting on his lap, riding the lawn mower and taking joy rides in the car. You knew they had him wrapped around his finger anytime he went to buy a new lawn mower just to ride around the block for an evening ride. He loved them and they loved

him.

John retired from Housing Authority of New Orleans in 2007 as a Carpenter. He was a skilled craftsman. He was a member of Young Men's Twenty Club, Inc. where he was honored this year for 30 years of outstanding and dedicated service.

John always taught love and the importance of family values. He leaves to cherish his loving memories to his loving and devoted wife Diann Lewis. His loving children Patrice (Jack), John Victor Nolan (Lisa), Demetrius (Alfred) and LaShonda (LaToya). Two sisters Mable Jean Campbell and Bonnie (Thomas) Dillon. Twelve wonderful grandchildren, Shante and Kiyante Harvey, Mark Jr. and Quentin Rhodes, Grayson and Nolan Lewis, Marley and Nahla Lunkin, Austin Harvey, Alfred, Jr., Omari and Jai Lunkin. One godson Jordan Nolan Clark. Three devoted sister-n-laws Velaria Burd, Joann (Eugene) Maulet and Tremeica Harris and brother-n-law Bobby Harris. Two aunts, Willean Magee and Atrine Fowler; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

John was preceded in death by his parents Mr. and Mrs. Ezell Lewis, four brothers Ezell, Jr., Early and Jessie Lewis and M. L. Howard.

Relatives and friends of the family also Pastors and members of Little Zion Baptist Church, Mt. Bethel Baptist Church, Carville, Louisiana and St. James Methodist in Tylertown, Mississippi. Employees of HANO, CYPCDC Belle Chasse, Kindred Hospital, US Postal Service of Livingston Parish and Bonefish Grill are invited to attend the funeral service at 12 Noon on Saturday, March 28, 2015 at Little Zion Baptist Church 4821 Earhart Blvd. Pastor Walter Hardy, Jr. Officiating. Visitation from 11:00 AM until 12 Noon. Interment: Lake Lawn Cemetery. Arrangements by Rhodes Funeral Home. Please visit www.rhodesfuneral.com to sign the online guest book.

Cemetery Details

Lakelawn Metairie Cemetery

5100 Pontchartrain Blvd
New Orleans, LA 70124

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 28. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

LITTLE ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
3321 Audubon St.
NEW ORLEANS, LA 70125

Service

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Tribute Wall

DH

“ *Derica Hawkins lit a candle in memory of John Nolan Lewis*



Derica Hawkins - March 30, 2015 at 09:44 PM

DH

“ *Daddy John was a special person to me. He became one of my parentals the first time we met he made my stay very comfortable and made me feel at home. He show me love and treated me like I was his own when I was there. I respect the love and closeness u give to your family and making me a part of the family. U will truly be miss love u much. Family no words can express what u are going through right now all I can say is I love you all and praying that God will help u through this difficult time. Thank you for sharing a great man with me Love Derica (Dee) Hawkins from Maryland*

Derica Hawkins - March 30, 2015 at 09:43 PM

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“ *Nolan you will always be with us. We love you always. Much love to my family.*
Nettie Carson

Nettie Carson - March 28, 2015 at 09:51 AM

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“ *E J YOUNGBLOOD lit a candle in memory of John Nolan Lewis*



E J YOUNGBLOOD - March 27, 2015 at 11:06 AM

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“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



E J YOUNGBLOOD - March 27, 2015 at 10:57 AM