



## Lionel Basken

February 4, 2013

Lionel A. Basken, a school teacher and a choir director for the New Orleans surrounding area, departed this life on Monday, February 4, 2013 at the age of 59. Son of the late Lee and Ethel Basken; Also survived by a host of children, godchildren, many other relatives and friends.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend a Musical Tribute at Guiding Light Baptist Church, 2012 Washington Ave on Friday, February 15, 2012 at 7:00 pm; Visitation will begin at 5:30 pm; Funeral Service will follow on Saturday, February 16, 2012 at Guiding Light Baptist Church at 10:00 am; Visitation will begin at 9:00 am; Interment: Holt Cemetery. Arrangements by DW Rhodes, 3933 Washington Ave. Please visit [www.rhodesfuneral.com](http://www.rhodesfuneral.com) to sign guestbook.

# Cemetery Details

## Holt Cemetery

New Orleans, LA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 15. 5:30 PM (CT)

Guiding Light MBC  
2012 Washington Ave.  
New Orleans, LA

## Visitation

FEB 16. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Guiding Light MBC  
2012 Washington Ave.  
New Orleans, LA

## Service

FEB 16. 10:00 AM (CT)

Guiding Light MBC  
2012 Washington Ave.  
New Orleans, LA

# Tribute Wall

AM

“ *Antonia Shinn(granddaughter)Victor Morua lit a candle in memory of Lionel Basken*



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**Antonia Shinn(granddaughter)Victor Morua** - August 18, 2014 at 10:43 AM

PH

“ *John 14: 1-4*

*1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in GOD, believe also in me. 2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, i will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know. To The Basken Family, Continue trusting in the LORD. Patrice Herring (RTA Driver)*



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**Patrice Herring** - February 17, 2013 at 07:36 PM

CL

“ To the family, friends and students of Mr. Lionel Basken, "Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal." I know we will all miss Mr. Basken, but please keep in mind that if we live the life that is pleasing to God and if we continue to press toward the mark of the prize of the high calling in Christ, we will be able to see Mr. Basken again. No, it will not be in this mortal body that must some day perish; but shall be just like HIM. Be strong and remember all the good times and days Mr. Basken was allowed to share with all of us. I will really miss coming into a room and with being able to see me visually, Mr. Basken was always able to recognized my presence from simply hearing my voice. That will always amaze me. Rest on my brother, but remember. You cannot crown Him until I get there. Therefore, SEE YOU LATER!!!!!!

Clyde "Mr. Music" Lawrence

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**Clyde Lawrence** - February 16, 2013 at 07:01 PM



Heather  
Larson

“ My prayers are with the Basken family. Mr. Basken gave so much to so many people through his teaching-I will always remember the attachment the kids he taught through NORD had to him-including one girl who couldn't perform at big events unless she could see him. Mr. Basken taught me a lot about New Orleans and was always ready to share stories to encourage me when work got tough. He always not only saw the best in those he worked with and mentored, but actively sought to make it shine through. Having the chance to watch him develop the talent of young people was a blessing. He will be missed deeply.

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**Heather Larson** - February 16, 2013 at 08:34 AM

RW

“ Rest in peace, a true child of God who did not let any thing or anyone stop him from praising The Lord. He will true be miss.

Rev.Ronald Williams - February 15, 2013 at 10:10 PM

LR

“ There are so many things I can say about Lionel. He has always been an inspiration to me and my 3 boys. When they tried to get out of line. I never ad to worry as long as there was a Lionel Baskin and Terronita Hampton they was in good and capable hands. We loved him and thank God for letting him pass our way. You was going to do 1 or 2 things. Sing or get out of the choir stand. If you act like you didn't feel like singing. Lionel will pull it out of you. If you couldn't sing. He use to try and work with you. Oh Lord !! THE CHOSEN SOUL SEARCHERS FOR CHRIST in that powder blue and black. Also THE HARVEST GOSPEL SINGERS. OH, LIONEL WE WILL MISS YOU. But God needed another director in that heavenly choir. Sleep on! Take your rest. YOU CAN'T CROWN THE KING TIL I GET THERE. WE LOVE YOU BUT GOD LOVED YOU BEST. FROM LINDA, CHIVAS, TITUS( TIFF) JAUNTE' JR., ISAAC, AND JAIA ROSS. PRAYING FOR YOU FAMILY. THE ROSS'S

LINDA M. ROSS - February 15, 2013 at 08:23 PM

LR

“ LINDA M. ROSS lit a candle in memory of Lionel Basken



LINDA M. ROSS - February 15, 2013 at 08:07 PM

TS

“ Tammy And Caryneshia Shief lit a candle in memory of Lionel Basken



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**Tammy and Caryneshia Shief** - February 15, 2013 at 05:09 PM

 Robert Pate

“ Im gonna miss Lionel here at work at the St. Bernard Center. He taught me so much over the years, words cannot express how much I love this man. He always lended a helping hand in any way. Money, his services, etc. Everytime I needed to go out of town and I needed a musician at church, he always found a way to fill in for me. One thing I know, he loved me also and my brother Kendall Smith. He would always tell the summer camp kids, "see these two, you bet not play with them". Its so many memories I can give over the 13 years Ive been with him. Lionel you will always have a spot in my heart. I will be singing your favorite song tomorrow at the Homegoing, To Live is Christ and to die is gain. Love you "Uncle"

*Robert Pate, Jr.*

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**Robert Pate** - February 15, 2013 at 01:49 PM

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“ Our prayers go out to the Basken family, we would like to express our condolences at this time to your family. The Bible is a great source of encouragement at times like this, a comforting thought is at Revelation 21:4 "And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away"

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**Nikki Davis** - February 15, 2013 at 08:14 AM

CF

“ *Carmel LaFrance & Family lit a candle in memory of Lionel Basken*



**Carmel LaFrance & Family** - February 14, 2013 at 11:09 PM

MF

“ *Mr. Gary Smith, Sr. & Fly. lit a candle in memory of Lionel Basken*



**Mr. Gary Smith, Sr. & Fly.** - February 14, 2013 at 11:08 PM

AL

“ *Aliciafranklindouglas lit a candle in memory of Lionel Basken*



**aliciafranklindouglas** - February 14, 2013 at 01:05 PM

AL

*I will miss u so much Lionel u have been apart of my life for a long time. when I think back to my school days at C.G.Woodson and the good time and bad time together I smile. I can hear u now calling out my name, Alicia go to the office I'm calling Artemese lol. sleep on Mr.Basken it time for u to rest.*

**aliciafranklindouglas** - February 14, 2013 at 01:17 PM