



Leroy "Crab" Turner

March 16, 1932 - February 22, 2025

Leroy Turner was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend, who will be deeply missed.

Leroy was born the fifth child of Frank and Laura Turner on March 16, 1932, in Savannah, Georgia. In his formative years, he attended the Chatham County school system. Because of his love for crabs he affectionately gained the nickname "Crab".

Leroy moved to Deerfield Beach at an early age after the passing of his mother. He was raised by his grandmother, Ella Nobles and his aunt Mardell Walls. It was here where he met and married the love of his life, Mary Graham Turner, a union of 65 years.

In his early adulthood, Leroy was employed with the City of Deerfield Beach Police Department, but he found his calling in the Broward County School District, faithfully working at Park Ridge Elementary school, for 35 years.

Leroy loved the Lord and under the leadership of the Reverend Doctor Norman E. Freeman Jr.,

he joined the Greater Antioch Missionary Baptist Church.

Crab was a proud citizen of Deerfield Beach. He loved the city and his community. He was always willing to offer support to his friends, his neighbors, and anyone in need. The neighborhood children were always welcomed in his home where they could find safety, a hot meal, a place to sleep, guidance, and words of encouragement.

On February 22, 2025, God said "Crab, your work here is done, it's time to rest". At the great age of 92, God took his hand and ushered him into eternity.

Leroy is eternally reunited with his daughters, Dixie Lee Bennett, and Jacqueline (Jackie) Smiley, his mother and father, one sister, four brothers, and four beloved aunts. He leaves to cherish his memories, his loving wife, Mary, children: Joel (Shareefah) Alston, Audrey (Diane) Thomas, Laura Turner, Deatrea Turner, Leroy (Briggett) Turner, and Frank (Jason)(Rhonda) Turner, twenty-nine grandchildren, forty great grandchildren, and thirty-three great great grandchildren, one brother, Hugh (Joe) (Sandra) Turner, two sisters, Nellene (Polly) Solomon, and Angie Shellman, one brother-in-law John (Diane) Graham, honorary son and daughter William and Elizabeth McGill, God Son, Frankie Battle, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Say not in grief "he is no more" but in thankfulness that "he was"

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn North Cemetery

200 W Copans Rd
Pompano Beach, FL 33064

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 7. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Antioch Baptist Church
420 NW 8th Ave
Pompano Beach, FL 33060

Service

MAR 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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420 NW 8th Ave
Pompano Beach, FL 33060

Tribute Wall



“ *L.C. Poitier Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Leroy "Crab" Turner*



L.C. Poitier Funeral Home - March 08, 2025 at 10:57 AM

LH

“ *Linda Holloway lit a candle in memory of Leroy "Crab" Turner*



Linda Holloway - March 08, 2025 at 09:15 AM

RW

“ *Red, Deborah, & Wanna purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Leroy "Crab" Turner.*



Red, Deborah, & Wanna - March 07, 2025 at 10:10 AM

CH

“ Cyneria Gay Howard lit a candle in memory of Leroy "Crab" Turner



Cyneria Gay Howard - March 07, 2025 at 09:17 AM

DT

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Deatrea Turner-Exama - March 06, 2025 at 05:35 PM

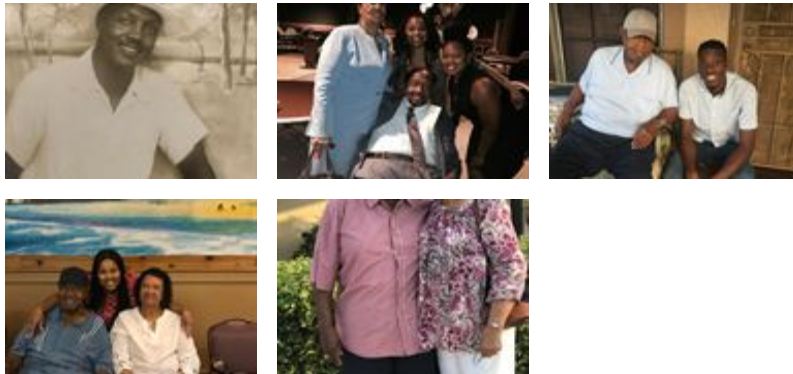
LH

Sending love and prayers to Deatrea and family may God provide strength and peace to you all Love you my friend Linda Ferline Holloway 🙏❤️❤️

Linda Holloway - March 07, 2025 at 04:17 PM



“ 94 files added to the album Life Tributes



L.C. Poitier Funeral Home - March 06, 2025 at 02:29 PM

NC

“ *New Birth Primitive Baptist Church purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Leroy "Crab" Turner.*



New Birth Primitive Baptist Church - March 04, 2025 at 05:14 PM

FC

“ *From the children purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Leroy "Crab" Turner.*



From the children - March 04, 2025 at 04:18 PM

FC

“ *From the children purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Leroy "Crab" Turner.*



From the children - March 04, 2025 at 04:08 PM

DT

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Deatrea Turner-Exama - March 04, 2025 at 01:23 AM

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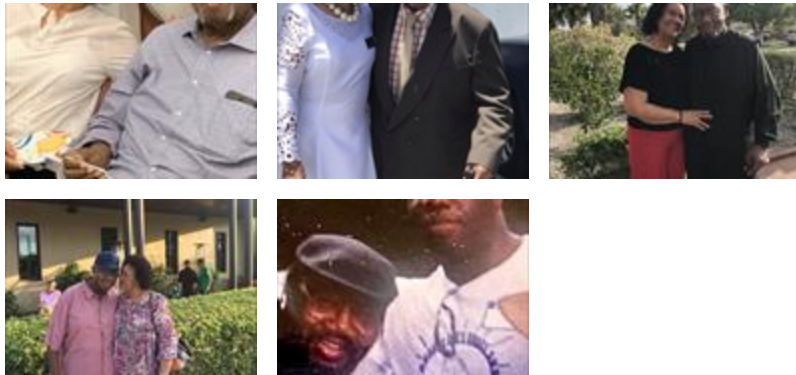
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Deatrea Turner-Exama - March 03, 2025 at 05:56 PM

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Deatrea Turner-Exama - March 03, 2025 at 05:52 PM

EB

“ Ethel Burns lit a candle in memory of Leroy "Crab" Turner



Ethel Burns - March 02, 2025 at 02:24 PM

EB

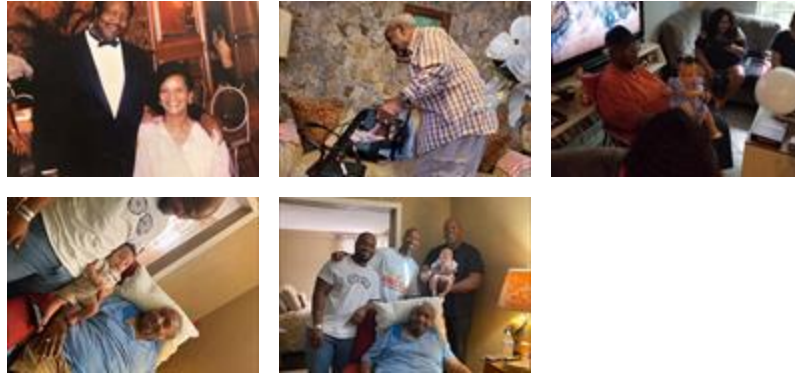
Aunt Mae, my prayers are with you and the entire family. I know you guys will miss Uncle Crab a lot. May God continue to Bless and Keep you all.

Ethel and Andy Burns

Ethel Burns - March 02, 2025 at 02:29 PM



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L.C. Poitier Funeral Home - February 28, 2025 at 11:00 AM



“ 60 files added to the album Memories Album



L.C. Poitier Funeral Home - February 27, 2025 at 12:20 PM

JT

“ *Jacqueline Thomas-Dennis lit a candle in memory of Leroy "Crab" Turner*



Jacqueline Thomas-Dennis - February 27, 2025 at 12:12 PM

SH

“ *Sherry Holmes lit a candle in memory of Leroy "Crab" Turner*



Sherry Holmes - February 27, 2025 at 11:36 AM

RR

“ *Ronald Robinson lit a candle in memory of Leroy "Crab" Turner*



Ronald Robinson - February 25, 2025 at 06:36 PM

GA

“ *We're wishing Mother Turner and family our sincere condolences.
Deacon and Deaconess Moses Adams*



Georgia Adams - February 25, 2025 at 01:30 PM