



Calvin Dennis

October 10, 1924 - October 25, 2012

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.” (Ps 166:15)

Calvin Dennis was born October 10, 1924 in Snow Hill, Maryland to Orvin and Viola Schoolfield Dennis. Early Thursday morning, October 25, 2012, Calvin peacefully slipped away from us into eternal rest with His Lord, Jesus Christ at home in Baltimore, Maryland.

Calvin left school at a very early age and began working and never stopped until stricken with a muscular disease in 2004. Calvin was married to Harriet Price in 1950 and celebrated 62 years of marriage October 14, 2012. Raising 10 children, he began working for Lankford’s Produce Company in Pocomoke, MD, as a laborer and truck driver in the winter of 1965. Calvin had a mutually, special relationship with the Lankfords and worked for the company for 40 years. He retired from SYSCO’s (formerly Lankford’s) in the late 1990’s but continued working part-time doing odd jobs until he was no longer able to work.

Though Calvin received very little formal education, God blessed him with exceptional wittiness, uncanny wisdom and common sense that was unmatched by the most educated. It was difficult to resist his sense of humor without a big laugh, even if the joke was on you. Like his brother before him, Vaughn Dennis, he was a big tease and had a big laugh enjoying every

minute of his own humor.

In the 1980's Calvin re-committed himself to the Lord and started faithfully attending his home church, St. James Holiness Church in Snow Hill, MD. He faithfully worked alongside Bishop William Davis, the pastor, caring for the temporal needs of the church. He was later made a trustee and was in training to become a deacon. There was not many things broken that Calvin could not fix. He was known for and called upon in so many occasions to repair, fix or install something at the church or for family and friends.

As a husband and father, Calvin worked diligently to provide for his family. He loved his wife, raised his sons and spoiled his daughters. He was highly regarded and respected by his employers, co-workers, neighbors, church, friends and family. In 2005, Calvin and Harriet relocated to live with their daughters Harriet and LaVerne in Baltimore, MD. Calvin and Harriet continued in their faith by joining Promise Land Church Ministries, Catonsville, MD under the watch-care of Pastor Clendon Terry. During the remaining years of his life he never complained and took one day at a time. And with every birthday, he would kindly ask, "How old am I...25?" and burst out with a big, hearty laugh.

Calvin was preceded in death by four sons, David Orvin, Sylvester, James Curtis and Jeffery Douglas and one daughter, Deborah LaVerne.

He leaves to celebrate his life and cherish his memory, his faithful wife, Harriet Price Dennis four sons Gerald Dennis and Graham Price of Salisbury, Maryland; Vernon and Kenneth Dennis of Baltimore, MD, one daughter, Harriet of Baltimore; two daughters-in-love Esther (Vernon) and Candy

(Gerald); three sisters, Mable Townsend, Viola Hughes and Elsie Truitt; three sisters-in-love, Francis Dennis, Ruth Dennis and Betty Stanley; two brothers-in-law, Kendall Price and Junior Stanley; nine grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren, a host of nieces and nephews, family, surrogate sons and daughters, church family, extended family and friends.

“Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live... And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die...” – John 11:25-26