



Leroy Burgess

December 22, 1923 - February 25, 2018

Leroy Burgess, Sr., son of the late Margaret Thomas, was born on December 22, 1923 in Kingstree, South Carolina. He was affectionately called “Roy” by his friends. Leroy was a southern boy and a true Geechy. He grew up on a farm and loved to plant flowers and vegetables.

Leroy moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1944, where he became employed by Bud Distribution Center. He later became a linesman for Philadelphia Electric Company. He retired after 35 years of service. He also worked for Pep Boys as an auto mechanic. He loved to work with his hands.

Leroy met his wife in Philly and courted her for a few years, then he asked Mary to be his partner. He loved her dearly and they were married for 50 year. They were true soul mates and shared the same birthday.

Leroy was a member of Cedar Park Presbyterian Church where he belonged to the Deacon Board. Later, Leroy and Mary relocated to a senior development in Smyrna, Delaware, where they both joined Grace Presbyterian Church. Leroy loved the Lord!

Leroy was a people person. He had a big heart, loved interacting with people, and would give you the shirt off his back. When he was young, he was a Cub Scout and a Boy Scout leader. He also loved to sing and belonged to a gospel group when he was younger.

Leroy was preceded in death by his grandson, Romel Lingham. He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife, Mary Burgess, two sons, Leroy Burgess, Jr. of Philadelphia, PA and Steven Barkley of Wilmington, DE; three daughters, Jean Lingham of Philadelphia, PA, Annette Barkley of Bear, DE and Kim Barkley of DE; seven grandchildren, Nicole, Barkley, Jason Barkley, Tiffany Golding, Yorel Burgess Harris, Nashay, Zion and Dayanah; three greatgrands, Lamar, Xavier and Makiyah; and a host of many other loving relatives and special friends.

Lovingly Submitted,
The Family

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“ Sorry For Your Loss!

Thomas & Libby Widgeon - March 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ I would like to offer my condolences for your loss. I hope you will find comfort in knowing that Jehovah, the God of all comfort, will soon eliminate all grief and provide permanent consolation when “all those in the memorial tombs will hear [Christ’s] voice and come out”! (John 5:28, 29) God promises that “he will do away with death forever, and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces.” (Isa. 25:8) Then, instead of having to “weep with those who weep,” all earth’s inhabitants will “rejoice with those who rejoice.”—Rom. 12:15.

M Jones - March 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sorry for your loss of a loved one. Read Psalms 46:1 for words of comfort and peace.

Irene - March 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ May the God of all comfort strengthen the family during this time of deep sorrow. Those who pass on, God keep in his memory because they are precious in his eyes. Please except my sincerest condolence.

JoyceA - March 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM