



Lorenzo Lawrence Cropper Jr.

November 24, 1934 - January 26, 2026

Obituary

Lorenzo Lawrence Cropper, Jr. was born on November 24, 1934, in Withams, Virginia. He was the third oldest of five children born to the late Lorenzo Cropper, Sr. and the late Lula (Fletcher) Cropper. He received his education in the Accomack County school system.

Lorenzo exhibited a strong work ethic and a lifelong dedication to service. He retired from Giant Foods in Salisbury, Maryland, in 1997, having worked there for thirty years, including many years as a supervisor.

A man of deep faith, Lorenzo served faithfully at the Glorious Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith, Inc. He was a dedicated deacon and served for many years as the church secretary. As a baptized believer in accordance with Acts 2:38, he lived in a manner that made him a role model to many. One of his favorite songs to sing in church was "On This Lonesome Road to Heaven."

In addition to his leadership and service, Lorenzo also served as the church's designated coach bus driver, traveling countless miles up and down the East Coast to transport the saints of God to worship services. He deeply enjoyed that responsibility and, even in his nineties, he could often be heard reminiscing about those travels and the good ole days of driving the church coach bus. It especially troubled him when the DMV declined to renew his Commercial Driver's License in his eighties, yet it never diminished his fondness for recalling the many years he spent serving in that capacity.

Above all, Lorenzo was a devoted husband for sixty-nine years to his beloved honeybunch, Lena Mae (Richardson) Cropper. Together, they raised thirteen children to adulthood. Though finances were sometimes tight, their home was rich in love, expressed through daily care and simple provisions. His family often remembers him bringing home flowers, milk, and even toilet paper, small gestures that carried great meaning. He made it clear, with affection and consistency, that his honeybunch came first and the children came second. From a playful pat on the behind as she walked by to the heartfelt words, "I asked God for her," Lorenzo's love for Lena was evident. When time allowed, he would join the children outside for a game, always with joy and often with the added delight of being given the opportunity to chase his honeybunch. On vacations, they could often be seen walking hand in hand on the boardwalk in Chesapeake Beach. While walking together in the mall, he would proudly carry her pocketbook as she shopped.

As the last surviving sibling of five children, he was affectionately known to some of his nieces and nephews as Uncle Junior or Uncle Renzie. He is survived by his loving wife, Lena Mae Cropper, three sisters-in-laws (Arinthia Richardson, Sheila Richardson, and Doris Cropper), and eleven children and their spouses; Indira, Jabez, Sabrina, Ronald, Jaqueta, Towanda, Lorenzo III, Lena, Teresa, Alexander, and Linda. He is also survived by one daughter-in-law Candy Cropper. He is also survived by fourteen grandchildren, five great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was predeceased by his parents Lorenzo and Lula Fletcher Cropper, his 3 sisters Virginia Drummond, Lois Rue, Annie Cropper, and one brother Elihu Cropper. He was, also, predeceased by one daughter Connie, and one son Lawrence.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 31. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

VA

“ To the world he was Lorenzo, named after my dear grandfather, to me and my cousins, he was always Uncle Junior. Rest in honor Uncle Junior. You will always be in our hearts.

Vanessa - February 09 at 01:36 PM

KB

“ Kathaleen Bagwell lit a candle in memory of Lorenzo Lawrence Cropper Jr.



Kathaleen Bagwell - February 03 at 01:15 AM

EB

“ Ezekiel & Alex Bloyce purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Lorenzo Lawrence Cropper Jr..



Ezekiel & Alex Bloyce - February 01 at 08:49 PM

 Doris Cropper

“ "Earth has no sorrow, that heaven cannot heal." Know now that Lorenzo is in the arms of our Father. Never treated as a sister-in-law but a sister. Will be missed but remembered forever. My prayers are with you now and always.

Doris Cropper - January 30 at 11:32 AM

RF

“ *RaKia L. Cropper-Foster and Family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Lorenzo Lawrence Cropper Jr..*



RaKia L. Cropper-Foster and Family - January 29 at 07:21 PM

TW

“ *Sorry For Your Loss*



Thomas Widgeon - January 29 at 09:08 AM

AJ

“ *Annette Jones lit a candle in memory of Lorenzo Lawrence Cropper Jr.*



Annette Jones - January 28 at 07:51 PM

KB

RIP

Kathaleen Bagwell - February 03 at 12:25 AM

KB

my dear cousin gone you will never be forgotten to my family i send lots of love an blessing Lana hold on toGods unchanging hand i love you all

Kathaleen Bagwell - February 03 at 01:09 AM