



Vandon Orlando Smiley

September 15, 1945 - February 5, 2014

Vandon Orlando Smiley, beloved son of the late Laura "Emily" Smiley Dashiell and the late Willis Smiley, was born on September 15, 1945 in Delmar, Delaware. He departed this life on Wednesday, February 5, 2014 at Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury, Maryland, surrounded by his loving family.

Vandon was educated in the public schools of Sussex County. He retired as an independent truck driver. He met and later married the late Dorothy Smiley with whom he shared many years with until her passing. On many days he enjoyed resting in his bedroom watching his favorite television shows: Wrestling, Westerns and Football. Vandon also had a love of cars. He enjoyed spending time at the Delmar Race Track and spending time with his special friends. He affectionately called his children by nicknames: Cynthia ("Charlie"), Brian ("Lefty") and Dena ("Beetle").

Vandon was a member of Union United Methodist Church in Delmar, Maryland.

Vandon leaves to cherish his memory: his three children— Cynthia Jackson of Alexandria, Virginia, Brian (Jackie) Hall and Dena (Clifton) Beach, all of Salisbury, Maryland; one sister, Toni Smiley of Salisbury, Maryland; two brothers— Ronald (Dontrette) Smiley of Cambridge, Maryland and Kenneth

Smiley of Phoenix, Arizona; special friends—Julia Diane Davis, Cleve Johnson, Ronald Hall and Ben Niskey; five grandchildren—Tyasha, Tiffany, Socorie, Iman and Lakita; five great-grandchildren—Christopher, Jada, Khalil and twins Taylor and Tyler; as well as a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by his step-father, David Dashiell.

Lovingly Submitted ~ The Family

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Sherry - February 19, 2014 at 12:00 AM