

23rd Psalm

The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou prepareth a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Pallbearers

Jim Parks, Shawnta Robertson, Jabari Griffin, Earl Miller Jr., Chatase Jones, Leon Richardson, Leon Miller, Darius R. Porter Jr.

Honorary Pallbearers

Kevin Porter, James McCall, Carl Porter III, Rodney Porter, Mickey Bruce, Larry McCall

Acknowledgements

Darius Porter Sr. would like to issue a statement of gratitude and extreme love to all of Mills Miller's younger cousins in Cincinnati and Cleveland, Ohio, and in Hayneville, Gordonville, Birmingham and Montgomery, Alabama.

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to them during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!
The Family



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In Loving Memory



Mills Miller

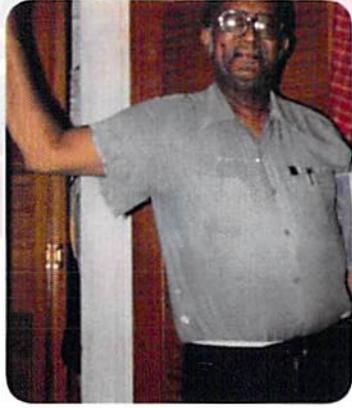
February 28, 1927 - May 10, 2020

~Service~

Saturday, May 23, 2020
Visitation: 10:00 • Funeral Service: 11:00
Walker Funeral Home - McMillian Chapel
1025 E. McMillan Street
Cincinnati, Ohio 45206
Bishop Michael Harris, Officiating

The measure of a man
is in the lives he's touched.

Ernie Barnes



Obituary

Mills Miller was born in Gordonville, Alabama to Ben and Eliza Miller on February 28, 1927. He went to Lowndes County High School, graduating in 1947. His mother moved to Cincinnati when he was a youth, living in Avondale on Erkenbrecher Avenue. He later joined her in Cincinnati, as his family feared for his safety because he kept kicking up dust in Jim Crow's eye down in Alabama. He married Catherine Bruce on March 20th, 1950 in Cincinnati, Ohio, their union produced four loving children. He was a veteran of World War II, enlisting at 18 and serving in the United States Army. Being stationed in Germany, he would always laugh when thinking about how German women thought the Black soldiers had tails. He had a fear of flying and rode the cargo ship for deployment and to return home after his tour of duty; though he was willing to fly round-trip to enjoy Las Vegas. He worked as a laborer and machinist for the William M. Powell Company for over 30 years, retiring in 1989. He later continued in the workforce as a school bus driver and driver for the casino shuttle.

During the 1970's he sang in a traveling gospel choir and served as a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church; anyone could recognize that booming voice. Mills was an avid bowler, having achieved a high score of 299. He enjoyed traveling with his bowling team, Team Shakers - affiliated with Shaker's club, for tournaments throughout the United States - again flying to Las Vegas. He served as president of the Summit 16 bowling league for over 10 years. The 1980's were hailed as Mills' mechanic days and the infamous blue shirt with the cut-off sleeves was established. Mills was a true sports fan, often listening to the Reds on the radio and fussing about the Bengals, rarely winning the weekly football jackpot and regularly shouting at the radio while listening to the Lincoln Ware show.

Mills was a fanatic for food and would consume the whole spectrum, eating Southern staples like muscadines and chow-chow and even un-boiled hot dogs. His loved Cracker Barrel and Blue Gibbon, but also respected his health having cut pork from his diet and primarily drinking water by the late 1990's. Mills moved from California Avenue in 2015 residing on the Westside and finally at Clovernook Nursing Home. He had a strong sense of independence and was often resistant to this change, but the transitions were made easier by loving family members calling and visiting him. Even in old age, Mills still had a great memory and was often a resource for family history to relatives.

Mills Miller was preceded in death by his spouse, Catherine Miller; children: Mills Miller Jr., Patricia Porter and Joylette Wooten. Mills Miller is survived by his son, Earl Stanley Miller (Regina); grandchildren, Dr. Euphemia Gans, Leon Richardson, Chatase Jones, Darius Porter (Denisha), Dionna Miller, Sabrina Miller and Earl Miller Jr.; great-grandchildren, Leona Richardson, Treasure Gans & Darius Porter Jr.

Mills Miller took great pride in providing for his family and had a stern expectation that everyone does the same for their respective families.

Order of Service

- Musical Prelude Soft Music
- Parting View Family
- Prayer Bishop Michael Harris
- Scripture Psalms 23
- Acknowledgments/Condolences
- Remarks Family and Friends
Two Minutes Please
- Obituary Read Silently
- Selection Pastor Anita Harris
- Eulogy Bishop Michael Harris
- Committal Bishop Michael Harris
- Benediction Bishop Michael Harris
- Recessional Clergy, Pallbearers & Family

Interment

Tuesday, May 26, 2020 @ 10:00
Walnut Hills Cemetery
Cincinnati / Ohio