

He Only Takes The Best

God saw that he was getting tired; a cure was not to be.
So He put His arms around him and whispered, "Come with Me."
With tearful eyes, we watched him suffer and saw him fade away.
Although we loved him dearly, we could not make him stay.
A golden heart stopped beating; hard working hands to rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes "the best"

Pallbearers

Allen Harris · Jerome Turner · Mitchell Williams
Shawn Brandon · Rick Hubbert · John Ross

Honorary Pallbearers

Edger Crimes · Dale Harris

Flower Bearers

Friends of the Family

Acknowledgements:

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many comforting messages, prayers, and many other expressions of kindness show during this time of bereavement. A special thanks to all the staff at Huntington Court and the Queen City Hospice staff.



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In Loving Memory



Walter Lee Crimes

August 30, 1922 ~ January 6, 2021

Home Going Celebration

Wednesday, January 20, 2021
Visitation 11:00 a.m. ~ Service 12 noon
St. Paul Miracle Center
630 South Front Street
Hamilton, Ohio 45011

Obituary

Walter Lee Crimes was called home to be with the Lord on January 6, 2021 after a long and fruitful life. He was born to Emmitt Crimes and Hattie Burgess on August 30, 1922 in Midway, Alabama. He attended school in Midway and was a member of First Baptist Church where he was baptized.

In his early life, Walter drove a truck for a grocery store in Midway delivering groceries to customers. He later worked for various railroad companies. He worked for Georgia Central, New York Central, B & O Railway, and Conrail. He retired from Conrail after 31 years.

Later in life, Walter came to Hamilton, Ohio where he met and married Ethel Williams. To that union was born a son, Edgar. Walter also has a daughter, Freda.

Walter was lovingly called “*Shotgun*” or “*Shot*” for short by everyone who knew him. “*Goin’ down slow*” was his favorite response to everyone he greeted. He was adored by the community and was presented with a community award for being an outstanding citizen. He was always willing to lend a hand or even money to anyone who needed help. On a daily basis, a number of people could be seen on his front porch visiting and gaining wisdom from him. He was truly loved by everyone and he loved everybody!

Shotgun leaves to cherish his memory his son, Edgar (Peggy) Crimes of Columbus, Ohio; daughter, Freda (Leonard) Ross of Hamilton, Ohio; very special cousins, Hattie Harris and Mary Moore of Hamilton, Ohio; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Pastor Harold Andrews, Senior Pastor
Rev. James Wynn, Officiating / Eulogist

Music Prelude	Jerome Bradford
Parting View	The Family
Prayer	Rev. James Wynn
Scripture Reading:	Rev. Victor Davis
OLD TESTAMENT	Isaiah 57:1-2
NEW TESTAMENT.....	Psalm 121
Acknowledgements.....	Michael M. Henderson
Remarks	Shawn Brandon
Words of Reflection.....	Rev. Victor Davis
Obituary	Read Silently
Solo.....	Wanda Knight
Eulogy.....	Rev. James Wynn
Benediction.....	Rev. James Wynn
Recessional	Clergy, Family, and Bearers



Interment

Greenwood Cemetery
Hamilton, Ohio