

Remember Me

To the living, I am gone,
To the sorrowful, I will never return,
To the angry, I was cheated,
But to the happy, I am at peace,
And to the faithful, I have never left.

I cannot speak, but I can listen.
I cannot be seen, but I can be heard.
So as you stand upon a shore gazing at a beautiful sea,
As you look upon a flower and admire its simplicity, Remember me.

Remember me in your heart:
Your thoughts, and your memories,
Of the times we loved,
The times we cried, the times we fought, the times we laughed.
For if you always think of me, I will never have gone.

Interment

Mansfield Memorial Park
2507 Park Avenue West – Ontario, OH 44906

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Acknowledgement

The Family of Kenneth W. Shepard, Sr. wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, kindness, and support shown to us during this hour of bereavement. Special thanks to Sam Dunn and the Pride of Ohio Lodge #80. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your support and comfort. It is immensely appreciated!

In Loving Memory Of



*K*ENNETH
W. SHEPARD, SR.

SUNRISE SUNSET
DECEMBER 29, 1932 | AUGUST 4, 2026

FRIDAY – AUGUST 14, 2026

VISITATION: 10:00 AM
SERVICE: 11:00 AM

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PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHURCH
112 WEST SIXTH STREET
MANSFIELD, OH 44903
ELDER MARK COBB – PASTOR



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1 FUNERAL HOME | 5 LOCATIONS

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Obituary

Kenneth W. Shepard Sr, was a cherished member of the Mansfield community. A loving and devoted husband and father, Kenneth gracefully departed this world August 4 ,2026, at the age of 93. Kenneth was born on December 29, 1932, in Beckley WV. Kenneth touched the lives of so many through his incredible dedication and unwavering commitment to helping others.

After completing his education in the Beckley, WV. School System, he enlisted in the Arm Forces (Army) where he earned an Honorable Discharge. Kenneth did seek new horizons and relocate to Mansfield, OH. It was there that he met, the love of his life Inez where they did wed. Afterwards he did become employed with the Federal Government Agency (GSA) then retired after 43 years.

Kenneth often expressed his gratitude to his faith and spirituality, having been raised in the church at such a young age in Beckley WV. He found solace and strength as a devoted member of the Faith Temple Church of God in Christ, where his presence was treasured by the Congregation.

Outside of his professional achievements Kenneth found joy in the simple pleasure in life which included fishing, bowling and an avid golfer. Kenneth also enjoyed working in the yard and watching sports, his favorite teams were the Cleveland Indians and the Cleveland Browns.

Kenneth will always be remembered as a dedicated educator, a devoted husband, a loving father, grandfather, a cherished brother, and friend.

He is preceded in death by wife: Inez Shepard; parents: James and Sarah Shepherd; sisters: Gertrude Moore, Delores Tuck, Lucille McDaniel, and Norma Rowe; brother: James Shepherd; grandson: Terris Shepard and daughter-in-law: Sandra Duty.

His memory will be carried on by Sons: Kenneth(Patricia) Shepard Jr., Charles (Charlene) Shepard, Phillip Duty, Garry (Lareta) Duty; Daughters: Sharon Shepard-Wright and Sheila (Bryon) Reed; Brothers: Donald (Lois) Shepherd and Findley Shepherd and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and Honorary Niece: Lynette Motley.

In this time of grief, let us remember Kenneth W. Shepard Sr as an extraordinary man : a beacon of light, a guiding force, and a source of inspiration may his legacy live on to all who life he touched.

Order of Service

Pastor Naradain James
Officiant

ORGAN PRELUDE.....Garlan McCruter

PARTING VIEW.....Immediate Family

SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament: Psalm 121.....Pastor Gerald D. Murphy

New Testament: John 14: 1-6.....Elder Timothy Woods

PRAYER OF COMFORT.....Pastor Mark Cobb

SELECTION.....Nina Jordan

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/RESOLUTIONS.....Missionary Lodia Vaughn

TRIBUTES.....Carrol Payton
Sam Dunn

READING OF OBITUARY.....Read Silently

SELECTION.....Nina Jordan

The Eulogy

Pastor William H. Jordan
Faith Temple Church of God in Christ

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL.....Clergy, Family and Friends

