



In Loving Memory

Arrangements Entrusted to:

James H. Cole for Funerals, Inc.
16100 Schaefer Hwy | Detroit, MI 48235
313-873-0771

Private Internment

Great Lakes National Cemetary
4200 Belford Rd | Holly, MI 48442

Repast:

15846 Ward | Detroit, MI 48227
Masks Required

Acknowledgement of Appreciation

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many comforting messages, floral tributes, prayers, and many other expressions of kindness shown at this time in thought and deed. A more personal acknowledgement will be made at a later date.



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Warren L. Brandley

Jan 12, 1947 - Aug 20, 2021

Services held at:

James Cole Funeral Home
16100 Schaefer Hwy | Detroit, MI 48235

Saturday | September 4, 2021

Family Hour: 8:30am | Funeral: 9:00am

Chaplain Victoria Middleton, Officiator & Euologist

Warren L Brantley

Warren L Brantley was born January 12, 1947 in Detroit, Michigan to Benjamin and Juanita Brantley. He was the eldest of nine children.

Warren attended Highland Park Public Schools and graduated with honors. After high school, he joined the United States Coast Guard from October 16, 1967 until his honorary discharge on October 15, 1971. Warren later worked for Chrysler Automotive where he retired after being employed there for 34 years.

Warren loved gardening. He attended school for horticulture. In 2010 Warren received a certificate from the Michigan State University Extension Program for successfully completing the education and volunteer service requirements as a Master Gardener. In 2012 he received a certification of completion for Career and Technical Development in Business Education Technology. He was a very intelligent, kind hearted man who loved his family.

Warren L. Brantley departed this life on August 20, 2021 in his home. He leaves to cherish his loving memories: two children, Lewis Brantley Jr and Monique Brantley; six sisters, Janis Johnson, Carmen Brantley (Steven) Williams, Lillian Brantley, Darlynn Brantley, Adrienne Brantley, and Lori Meriweather; one brother, Reginald (Cherisse) Brantley; and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Warren was preceded in death by his parents: Benjamin and Juanita Brantley; and his brother Donald Brantley.

His memory will forever live through his family.

Remembering Good Times

I remember we use to call you "Wa Nu Wee", your broom guitar, the Beatles, scary movies (Nightmare, Shock, Bella La Gosi, Boris Carloff, Lon Cheney), Christmas, picking worms at night for fishing.

Your fried chicken wings and that "Throw down Spaghetti" you always made for the Holidays at Momma and Daddy's, and the time you spent with Ben and I.

In 2009, I put your name through the 91st Psalm and prayed God would watch over, protect and keep you. Your name is still there.

I don't see passing away as something bad, but the way for the spirit to return to God. Only He knew your journey here.

I believe God has given you eternal peace and said to you, child, come home, it's simply time for you to rest. I know you're at peace.

I've said to Momma and Daddy you're headed home and to look out for you. So Warren, its howdie, hi, but never goodbye. See you on the other side.

-Adrienne



What can I say about our BIG brother - Warren Louis? He had a big heart. He was very much loved by his family and there wasn't anything the wouldn't do for his siblings.

I didn't see or speak to Warren often, but I knew if I needed anything I could always turn to him always turn to him. He was charitable and loving. Never, threatening or bitter... just kind hearted. You may not always hear him speak of his feelings, but we never doubted him. A quiet man, but a loving man...and yes, he was a MAN! What some might call a short-coming I call a strength...He wore his heart on his sleeve. Big hearted...kind hearted.

I'm going to really miss my big borther. I am deeply sadden. I wish I'd seen you one last time befosre your passing, but I hope somehow you know, we'll all miss you.

With Forever Love,
Your sister... *Janis*



A couple of my most memorable thoughts of my brother Warren Brantley are when he was in the Coast Guards. He'd surprise his family coming through the door and our mother would get so excited to see him, she would run over to give him a hug. Also, Warren gave his family their first color television.

-Darlynn



Warren I did everything in my power that I could for you. And you know this...I loved you so very much. My heart is so heavy now that you have left me. I'll never forget the times we shared shopping together, Dr appointments, banking, especially the many times we went to the Eastern Market to hang out. The days and nights we spent together as you would call me and say Carmen, what are you doing. Then you would say can I come over and spend the night - and you came over so much that I decided to just give you the keys to the house. No matter what, Warren knew he was always welcome to my home anytime.

- Your Loving Sister, Carmen



When I was younger, I was laying on the sofa watching TV. I heard someone behind me and first I only saw Reggie. I think he asked me to look, so I turned around again and I saw my big brother standing there with the biggest smile on his face. I was so excited to see him that I screamed out his name. Momma heard me from upstairs and said, Warren here? I told her with so much joy on my heart that he is. This is one of my most cherished memories of my big brother, whom I love with all my heart.

- Lori



*Oh Warren, what can I say
Most of all I will miss you
I didn't say it enough, but
I love you my brother. You
were taken too quick, but
only God knows
You will be missed.*

- Lillian

MISS ME, BUT

LET ME GO

When I come to the end of the road, and the sun has set for me, I want no rites in a gloom filled room, why cry for a soul set free...miss me a little - but not too long, and not with your head bowed low. Remember the love that we once shared. Miss me - but let me go...For this is a journey that we all must take; and each must go alone. It's all a part of a greater plan, a step on the road home.

When you are lonely and sick of heart, go to friends we know... and bury your sorrows in doing good deeds,
Miss me -
but let me go.





We Love you!

We'll Miss You!

Order of Service

Chaplain Victoria Middleton, Officiating

Organ Prelude

Processional

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Ami McClenon

Remarks

(2 minutes please)

Special Remarks

Chris & Sue Skellenger

Family Remarks

Acknowledgments of Cards, Telegrams,
and Condolences

Obituary Reading

Denein Jones-Farmer

Remarks from Bishops, Pastors, & Ministers

Eulogy

Chaplain Victoria Middleton

Recessional

Organ Postlude



*God said you were getting weary, so He did what He thought best
He came and stood beside you, and whispered, "Come and rest".*