



William Lee Minor Sr.

March 22, 1941 - December 22, 2022

William (Jim) Lee Minor, Sr. was born in New London, Missouri on Saturday, March 22, 1941. He was the second oldest of five children. He was born to Clarence Franklin Minor and Eleanor (Coleman) (Minor) Bryant. He passed on December 22, 2022, at 1:16 PM at the age of 81.

He was married to Fannie D. Minor in June of 1994, and they moved to Hannibal, MO.

Jim accepted Jesus Christ at a young age. After school, he enlisted in the United States Navy, serving in San Diego, CA. He said that he couldn't swim, but learned quickly when he had to jump off the ship into the water as part of his initial training. After his military service, he returned home, where he married Mary D. Givens in 1960. They had seven children.

Jim worked several places over the years as a laborer: Hercules Inc., Limerick's Mobile Station, Valley Steel, Louisiana Middle School, even hauling hay some summers.

Most recently, Jim lived in Davenport, IA, with his oldest son, Bill, and his wife. This arrangement allowed Jim to stay in closer contact with his children, and participate in family celebrations. It brought Jim much joy, working alongside his boys, and sharing his life's wisdom. Often, he fussed with Bill and Stephen as they collected scrap metal, finding little treasures that they shared with the people they loved. Family, lovingly, referred to them as, "Sanford & Sons". To say Jim loved tinkering with vehicles, scrapping, and watching old westerns is an understatement. His great, great-granddaughters loved him and made him

happy. The youngest was always looking out for her, "Papas."

Jim's grandchildren remember their overnights, playing and wrestling with him, and his giving them all the junk food they wanted.

Even as his health declined, Jim would offer to help cut the grass, carry groceries, or lend a hand when opportunities arose. He seldom bit his tongue! He told you when you were doing something wrong. If he was shaking his right finger at you, you knew he was riled up or had a point to make. Jim worked hard and played hard.

Jim leaves several to cherish his memory. His children: William Lee (D'Lesia) Minor Jr. of Davenport, IA; Linda (Christopher) Bennett of Aurora, IL; Michael (Bobbie) Minor of Louisiana, MO; Donnie (Richelle) Minor of McKinney, TX; Stephen Minor and David Minor of Davenport, IA. Stepdaughters: Shanette (Ronnie) Griffith of Hannibal, MO and Kisa Thompson of Hannibal, MO.

His siblings: Henry (Toni) Bryant of Curryville, MO; Patricia (Roland) Raspberry of Bowling Green, MO; and Gail Bryant of MO.

His grandchildren: Angel Steward of Bowling Green, MO; Karoy Smith and Kartney Smith of Quincy, IL; Mecca Minor of Gainesville, FL; Angel Burns of Bowling Green, MO; Donnie Jr. and Devin Minor of McKinney, TX; David Mayfield, Ronald Griffith, Jr., Tiffanie Griffith, Shamar Griffith and Ronald Griffith III of Hannibal, MO. He also leaves a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Jim was preceded in death by his wife, Fannie, his parents, Clarence Franklin Minor, Eleanor & Wilfred Bryant, his daughter, Frankie Ann, and his sister, Mabel Pearl.

Jim seldom spent much time talking on the phone, but at the end of each call he'd say, "Have a Super-fine Day," or, "Later," never goodbye.

Later Daddy!!!

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 P.M. Thursday, January 5, 2022 at the Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana, MO. Pastor James Smith officiating. Burial will be at the Riverview Cemetery in Louisiana, MO. Visitation will be held from 11:00 A.M. until time of service Thursday at the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Riverview Cemetery

N. B Street
Louisiana, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 5. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Collier Funeral Homes, Inc.
117 Barnard Dr
Louisiana, MO 63353
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Funeral Service

JAN 5. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *To the family. Our deepest sympathy for your loss. Prayers going out to the your family.
Linda, Charles, and John
The Tucker family*

Linda Tucker - January 05, 2023 at 12:04 PM



Thank you for your words of comfort and the beautiful plant. Love, The Minor Family

Linda Bennett - January 09, 2023 at 12:40 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of William Lee Minor Sr..*



January 05, 2023 at 03:50 AM



“ *The Word Church "Church of New Beginnings" sends our condolence to the Bill & D'Lesia and entire family*

Ymesa Martin - January 03, 2023 at 01:45 PM

TF

“ *The Bennett, Lockridge, & Reece Families purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of William Lee Minor Sr..*



The Bennett, Lockridge, & Reece Families - January 03, 2023 at 11:27 AM

TF

“ *The Tyler-Simmons Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of William Lee Minor Sr..*



The Tyler-Simmons Family - January 03, 2023 at 11:27 AM

LB

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Linda Bennett - January 02, 2023 at 06:46 PM

LB

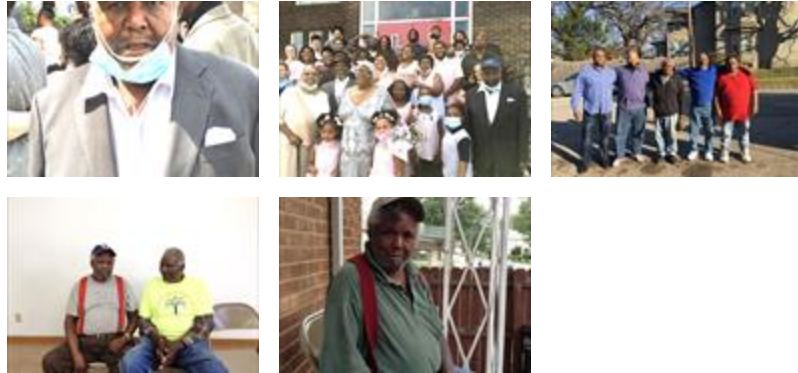
“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



Linda Bennett - January 02, 2023 at 01:34 PM

LB

“ 11 files added to the tribute wall



Linda Bennett - January 02, 2023 at 11:01 AM

CM

“ Our deepest condolences .. Prayers of comfort be with his family



Craig & Tammi McPike - January 02, 2023 at 09:08 AM

PS

“ Paula J (Coleman) Stevenson lit a candle in memory of William Lee Minor Sr.



Paula J (Coleman) Stevenson - December 31, 2022 at 10:00 PM

PS

To my family I'm so sorry for the loss of your Dad my cousin my God wrap his arms around our family at this time with all my love Paula Coleman Stevenson

Paula J (Coleman) Stevenson - December 31, 2022 at 10:04 PM

LB

Thank you for your words of love and support. Sending you Love from the family.

Linda Bennett - January 02, 2023 at 01:30 PM

CW

“ *Connie & Marie Walden lit a candle in memory of William Lee Minor Sr.*



connie & marie Walden - December 31, 2022 at 08:43 PM

GT

“ *Golda Turner lit a candle in memory of William Lee Minor Sr.*



Golda Turner - December 31, 2022 at 08:41 AM

JS

“ *Mike, you and your family have my deepest condolences.*



Jeri Smith - December 30, 2022 at 01:12 PM

BL

“ *Bryce And Doris Love lit a candle in memory of William Lee Minor Sr.*



Bryce and Doris Love - December 30, 2022 at 12:40 PM

SM

Mike so sorry about pops. He will be missed prayers for your family

Sammy meyers - January 01, 2023 at 01:07 AM

SC

Condolences to my family on the passing of their dad. Praying for all of your hearts.

Shaunda C. - January 03, 2023 at 04:03 PM