



Mr. Edward Cherry Jr.

December 13, 1933 - December 2, 2024

Mr. Edward Cherry Jr., a cherished Newport News, VA resident born on December 13, 1933, in Edgecombe County, Whitakers, North Carolina, peacefully entered eternal rest at the remarkable age of 90, on December 2, 2024. Zaneta Cherry-Jimmerson, his daughter who was also his caregiver was by his side at the time of his passing.

In 1952, Edward moved from Whitakers, NC to Newport News, VA. He married his loving wife, Shirley Marie Cherry, on December 27, 1955. They enjoyed a happy life together in Newport News, for 62 years until Shirley's sudden passing on August 29, 2017.

Edward is predeceased by his parents, Lillie Mae Bryant and Edward Cherry Sr., and his stepfather, James Bryant. He also lost several children, including Marcellus Lindell Cherry, James Earl Cherry, Edward Cherry III, and Shirley and Sheila Cherry (Twins). He has two deceased grandsons: Delgado Mandel Cherry Sr. (Shawneaquel) and Edward Neal Jr., and a son-in-law Eric Lee Jimmison. He is also preceded in death by two sisters Lucille Warren and Lillie B. Knight.

He is remembered by his five children: Zaneta Cherry-Jimmerson, Alonzo Cherry (Marjorie), Carl "Jerome" Cherry all of Newport News, Michael Sanders from Hampton, VA and Calvin Napoleon Cherry from Boston, MA. His family also includes numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren who will carry on his legacy.

Edward dedicated his life to being a loving husband and father. He raised nine

children, teaching them values like compassion, hard work, and resilience. His support created strong family bonds that will last for generations. Edward's love and influence will always remain in the hearts of his family, nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends. His spirit and kindness will stay with them forever.

Previous Events

Edward Cherry, Jr Public Viewing

DEC **10**. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

M.E. Fisher Funeral Home
2117 Madison Avenue
Newport News, VA 23607

Edward Cherry, Jr. Celebration of Life

DEC **11**. 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Edward Cherry Jr.



M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. - December 09, 2024 at 06:49 PM

PW

Going to miss you uncle, the corner will never be the same- Partner - Shiloh place crew 🙏🏠❤️

Patner Williams - December 10, 2024 at 03:30 PM

TT

Rest well pop c I'm going to miss you

Tonya Tyler - December 10, 2024 at 06:53 PM

GG

Sonata and family so sorry to read of the passing of your dad I'm sure your mom will be waiting at the gate for him..know that you have my sympathy

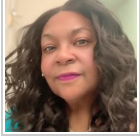
Gail Goble - December 15, 2024 at 07:20 PM

WW

I just learned of my Warwick High School classmate father passing. My condolences to your family, friends and community. I didn't know your dad personally but I do remember him sitting on the porch back in our school days. May your family grow stronger and God give you peace knowing He is well. God bless the Cherry family.

Wanda Everett Watkins class of 83

Wanda Everett Watkins - February 25, 2025 at 12:36 PM



“ *Eunice Kea Harrison and family send our condolences to our cousins. Eunice has wonderful memories being with her Cousin Snook. May he rest in heavenly peace. God bless*



Donna Seigler - December 12, 2024 at 01:45 PM

SW

“ *We are so sorry to hear of the passing of our friend and neighbor, Mr. Edward Cherry, Jr.*

We moved into the neighborhood over 50 years ago and Mr. Cherry was a good neighbor. He was there for our family through the good times , the sad times and the trying times.

Mr. Cherry would come over and sit with my father and Mr. Stevenson and talk for hours. I'm sure there were some "exaggerated" stories about their life experiences. But nevertheless, they had good times.

Then when my father passed, he picked right on up with our brother Collins, Bro Cutchin and other neighbors and family friends.

But most of all he would come by on New Year's morning, early, to be the first "man" to cross our door seal- which was to bring good look to our family year round. This was an old "wives' tale" that the people in the south believed and practiced. My mother and father looked forward to his appearance. He was still doing it even when he could barely walk.

*Mr. Cherry will be missed so much by his family and friends. But God had a better plan.
He is at peace with his beloved wife Mrs. Shirley.*

Shirley A. Whitaker - December 10, 2024 at 10:41 AM

PW

“ Going to miss you uncle Cherry - Partner Williams- Shiloh crew

Patner Williams - December 09, 2024 at 05:45 PM

DJ

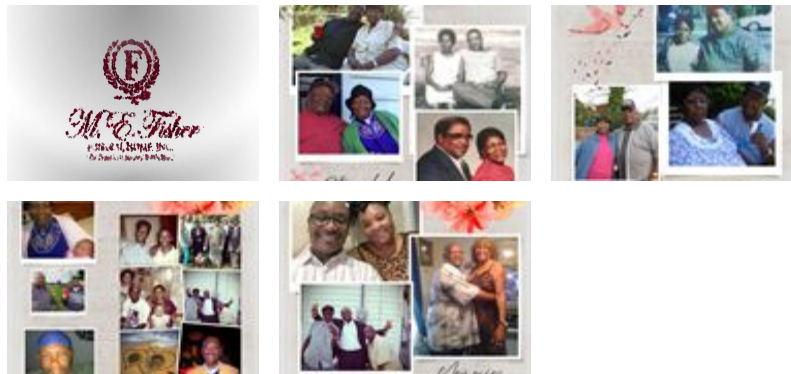
“ GOD cover our families in your loving arms and comfort our heart at this difficult time ,for we no that you are GOD and we give you all the GLORY And Honor Amen, Thank you GOD for blessing my uncle to be among us for 90 years I thank you GOD and I LOVE U ALWAYS UNCLE SNOOK ,REST IN THE PRENCE OF OUR LOVING GOD ,LOVE: YOUR NIECE DELOISE C JONES "SNOW BALL".



DELOISE C JONES - December 09, 2024 at 05:23 PM



“ 24 files added to the album Life Tributes



M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. - December 09, 2024 at 01:43 PM

WB

“ To the Cherry Family. Sending my Deepest Condolences and Prayers. Every morning I took my walks down 16th Street. I wouldvsee pops setting on the pouch . He always made me laugh. #Restup pops❤️

Wanda Bush - December 08, 2024 at 05:59 AM

LH

“ Leon Hayes lit a candle in memory of Edward Cherry Jr.



Leon Hayes - December 06, 2024 at 07:56 PM

HC

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Henrietta Key Cain - December 06, 2024 at 05:48 PM

SV

“ Stephanie vital sent a virtual gift in memory of Edward Cherry Jr.



Stephanie vital - December 06, 2024 at 03:23 PM

SM

“ Remember mr cherry working with with father. Always nice person may he rest in peace

Sharon Mizell - December 06, 2024 at 01:19 PM

PS

“ RIH family love you



Patricia Sharpe - December 06, 2024 at 10:11 AM

SW

“ We are so sorry to hear of the loss of Mr. Edward Cherry.

Mr. Cherry was our neighbor for over 50 years. He was friendly and dedicated to his neighbors. He was there in times of joy and grief. He and my father used to sit under our tree and talk about the good old times. And after my father passed, he would come over and talk with my brother and friends. They would talk about all sorts of things. I believe there were more untruths than truths being told.

But my fondest memory was when he would come to our house early every year on New Year's morning and be the first man to "cross" our threshold

This was the old folks way of bringing luck to your house.

He loved his wife Shirley and missed her dearly, as well as his family. But now he's with her and at peace.

Rest now our dear friend and neighbor. He will be missed. Now, we will have to find someone to take his place. It is hoped that Jerome will carry on the tradition and step across our doorstep this New Year's Day - 2025.

The Whitaker Family

Shirley A. Whitaker - December 05, 2024 at 08:31 PM

MI

“ *PoP Cherry is my God Father and has been a very important part of my Life and I will Forever Cherrish Our Memories Rest In Heaven God Father*



Marie Ibitayo - December 05, 2024 at 05:11 PM

HC

“ *I was so sorry to hear of the passing of my dear cousin "Snuke" Cherry. I have fond memories as a child of him stopping by our home to visit his Uncle Walter and of him working at the old Coca Cola plant. My deepest sympathy and love to the Cherry family. RIP cousin.*

Henrietta Key Cain

Henrietta Key Cain - December 05, 2024 at 11:46 AM

JR

“ *I grew up with the Cherry family just one block away from them and Mister Cherry was one of a kind he kept us straight too when he saw us on the streets told us to behave ourselves and whatever we do do it peacefully and don't be loud mouths on the street and stir up trouble he was just like a daddy to us all going to miss you pops love you family and I praying for you all in Jesus name amen.*

Johnnie Rodgers - December 05, 2024 at 12:31 AM

AS

We really appreciate you kind words

Alonzo Cherry Sr - December 06, 2024 at 12:10 PM

HM

“ So Sorry To Hear Of This Loss. Friend/FAM
Forever .May GOD Bless This Family With
Peace And Love!!!!



HENRY MITCHELL - December 03, 2024 at 02:58 PM

DC

*So sorry to hear that papa cherry passed may your family have
strength during this time*

Dalean Clark - December 04, 2024 at 01:43 PM

SH

Sorry to hear about pop cherry.

shirley - December 06, 2024 at 09:58 PM