



Mr. Willie Ray Ponton

May 4, 1933 - July 28, 2020

Willie Ray Ponton, "Nick", received and accepted his initiation to make his heavenly transition on July 28th, 2020, from Riverside Select Intensive Rehab Center, Newport News, Virginia.

Willie was a native of Newport News, Virginia, born May 4th, 1933. He was educated at Huntington High School, and West Virginia State College. He enlisted in the United States Army in the year 1954, and after two distinguished years of service, was honorably discharged in the year 1956. Willie migrated to New York City in the year 1957, where he met and married his wife, Mary Isabel Lewis, in the year 1958.

During the years of marriage they had two sons. Willie had several jobs over his life span but made a career as a Custodial Engineer for over 30 years in New York City.

He was preceded in the death by his mother, Louise M. Ponton Day; stepfather, George Day; brother Harold Webster Ponton (Buster); and his sister, Evelyn Pittman.

Willie is survived by the mother of his two children, Mary Isabel Ponton; his two sons Stephen Ray Ponton and Jeffrey Allen Ponton; six grand children Gabriel Ponton, Kendra Ponton, Jeffrey Allen Ponton Jr., Elijah Ponton,

Joshua Ponton, and Delilah Ponton; and two great grandchildren Amani Jean Marie Ponton and Kenadee Eujeania Galloway.

Luke 17:20-21

And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation, neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.

King James Version (KJV)

Cemetery Details

Albert G. Horton Jr. Memorial Veterans Cemetery

5310 Milner's Road
Suffolk, VA 23434

Previous Events

Ponton Memorial Service

AUG 7. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Willie Ray Ponton*



M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. - August 06, 2020 at 10:18 AM

SB

My condolences to friends and family

Sharon Bailey - August 06, 2020 at 05:27 PM

LB

The tribute is heartfelt and beautiful. My sincere condolences to the family.

Lanette Brown - August 06, 2020 at 10:20 PM

TJ

Very nice tribute to Mr. Ponton. My condolences to cousin Steve and Jeffrey.

Tracy Johnson - August 07, 2020 at 01:25 AM

TY

Very beautiful Tribute to Uncle Nick

Todd M Young - August 07, 2020 at 09:22 AM



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M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. - August 06, 2020 at 08:05 AM

J'

“ *We feel so sad when those we love are touched by death's dark hand
but it would ease our sorrow if we could understand that death is a gateway
that all men must pass through, and on the other side of death,
In a world that's bright and new your Dad wait to welcome us
to the land free from all grief where joy becomes eternal and
time is not counted by years.*

We will miss 'Nick"

Prayers to you Jeffrey, Steven and families

Cousins Joyce Ponton (Bootsie), Pamela, Brian, Reggie and family

Joyce Ponton 'Bootsie' - August 07, 2020 at 04:39 PM

AN

“ Jeff,

All of our condolences, love, and thoughts. We viewed the service on Zoom. We hope you and your family are healing as best as you can during this difficult time.

Alex & Paola Nackman

Alex Nackman - August 07, 2020 at 04:06 PM

BB

“ *Cousin Jeff and Stephen: May the Peace which comes from the Memories of Love shared comfort yall now and days ahead. Your Dad will be missed! Please accept our heartfelt condolences during this saddened time.*

Cousins - Barbara Ann, BooBoo and Bruce.

Barbara Brown - August 06, 2020 at 08:32 PM

HM

“ *Henry Mitchell sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Ray Ponton*



Henry Mitchell - August 06, 2020 at 03:31 PM



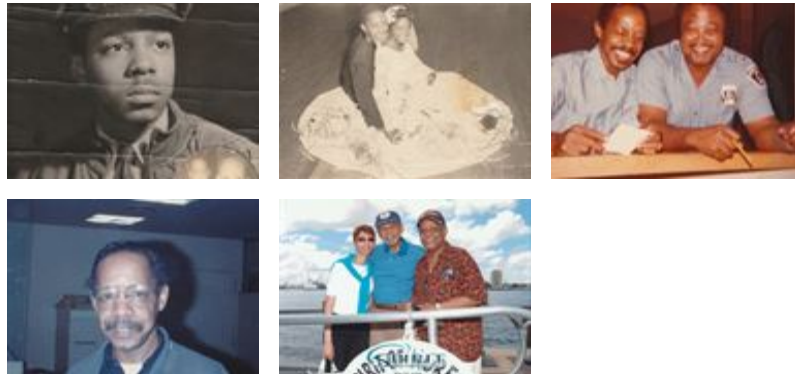
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M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. - August 05, 2020 at 03:45 PM

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“ We are all sadden at the loss of our cousin Nick. His remaining years in retirement were active. He was involved in the Huntington High School alumni, Wesley Grove Church, and West Virginia State Alumni. Nick loved Newport News and was happy to return home. It was a joy for him that his son Jeff moved to Newport News to be closer to him. We will miss him. Your cousins, The Rainey Family



Lawrence Rainey - August 05, 2020 at 01:26 PM