



Mr. Sidney Lewis Christian

December 10, 1932 - May 28, 2014

Msgt (Ret) Sidney "Chris" Lewis Christian, 81, husband of the late Ruby Johnson Christian, died Wednesday May 28, 2014 at the Tuomey Healthcare System in Sumter, SC. Born in Charleston, West Virginia, he was a son of the late William and Ellen Bibby Christian, Sr.

Sidney was educated in the public schools of Charleston County, West Virginia. He was a graduate of Garnet High School, Class of 1953 and attended West Virginia State College. He first enlisted in the United States Army, where he served a tour of duty in Bordeaux France. He later joined the United States Air Force where he worked as a jet engine technician, an aircraft maintenance instructor and was a First Sergeant. Throughout his career, he was awarded numerous military citations. After more than twenty four years of service to his country, he and his family retired in the Sumter community. He then became employed with Exide Battery Company of Sumter, and retired after many years. In the community, he was a lifetime member of the Ballard-Palmer-Bates American Legion Post #202. He also managed Good Times, Bluff Road and Valley View Skating Rinks and was employed as a realtor with Porter Realty of Sumter.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by a son, Nolan Christian; a brother, John Christian and a grandson Jonathan B. (Christian) Coles.

Surviving are two daughters, Sylvia Christian-James, Sumter, SC and Cheryl Anne Christian, Rembert SC; a son, Norman Lewis Christian, Sumter SC

;seven grandchildren, Jade, Erin, Shaun, Shane, Nigel, Lindsay and Kimberly; 4 great-grandchildren, Quevaun, Shaheim, Janai and Jordyn; a brother, William (Dorothy) Christian, Gaithersburg, Maryland, two sisters-in-law, Beatrice Walker and Brenda Howard; three brothers-in-law, Clarence, Jack and Thomas Johnson; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Funeral services will be held 6:30 pm Saturday evening, June 7, 2014 at Palmer Memorial Chapel, 1200 Fontaine Place, Columbia, SC. The public may view Friday from 3:00- 8:00pm at the Palmer Memorial Chapel Sumter, 304 South Main St. A visitation with the family will be Saturday at Palmer Memorial Chapel Columbia from 5:30pm until the hour of service and at other times at the Christian's residence 985 Dover Circle.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Sidney Lewis Christian*

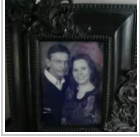
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“ *I am so grateful to have so many good memories of my dear grandfather. Growing up, I remember him quietly working on cars in the garage. He always seemed to have a project that involved automobiles; something that seemed to bring him joy and provide a productive outlet for him for as long as I can remember. I recall a few times when my grandfather would play the organ that was kept in our living room; it always caught my attention once the 'hum' of the organ started as he was preparing to play. He kept quite a few musical selections on top of it that I would get into from time to time and try to read/play myself. I remember my grandfather teaching me how to write a check and the time he pulled me to the side after graduating college to give advice on saving money. I will always remember my grandfather's laugh, his smile and his calm/patient demeanor. I will continue to miss him dearly but will forever keep these memories in my heart. Thank you to all who have expressed their memories as well; they mean more than words could ever express.*



Jade - January 24, 2015 at 01:04 PM



“ *Mr Chris, I have the memories of little diner on Guignard drive .
always a good morning and smile . Rest , my prayers to the family .
With deepest regret. Jimmy Hudson*

Jimmy Hudson - June 06, 2014 at 08:27 PM

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“ *To the christian family.. I have Made love for Chris... he has been
my boy since the middle 80's... could not be their but much to you
all.
Errol Young,,, Chas SC..*

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“ *The Hillcrest High School Class of 1983 would like to extend our
deepest condolences in the passing of Mr. Sidney Lewis Christian,
the father of our late classmate and dear friend, Mr. Nolan Christian.
Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you all during
this most difficult time. We also want you to know that we have not
forgotten Nolan. We keep him alive in our hearts and hold a special
Remembrance Prayer for him and our other classmates that have
gone on to heaven every year during the Christmas season. We just
want you to know that we are thinking and praying for you all and
hope that you find comfort in knowing that we care.*

*The Hillcrest High School Class of 1983
Dalzell, SC*

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