



Mr. Leroy L. Cannon

June 21, 1928 - December 4, 2017

In loving memory of Mr. Leroy Leo Cannon, who passed away at the age of 89 on December 4, 2017. Mr. Cannon was preceded in death by his devoted wife of 54 years, Mrs. Dolores H. (Debinski) Cannon. Mr. Cannon, beloved father, is survived by his daughter, Kathleen (Cannon) Saini, and his son Stephen L. Cannon (Christian Ford-Cannon). Mr. Cannon was also the dear grandfather of Nina Saini and Neal Saini. He is survived by two sisters-in-law, a brother-in-law, and many nieces and nephews.

Mr. Cannon, born in Baltimore, MD, was the eldest son of Mr. Edgar Leroy Cannon and Mrs. Anna Cannon. He was the brother of the late James Cannon, the late Joseph Cannon, and the late Patricia (Cannon) Winterling.

As a child, Leroy learned the merits of hard work selling newspapers and working in various jobs that enabled him to serve others. Leroy enlisted in the Army in 1946. PFC Cannon served for two years as a warehouseman and was awarded the WWII Victory medal and the Army of Occupation Medal Japan.

After separating from the Army and working as a sheet metal helper for a few years, he was called from inactive duty in 1950. Cpl. Cannon served in the Air Force as an apprentice welfare specialist for one year. The discipline, patriotism, and mental toughness he learned in the military never left him, as friends and family will attest.

After his military service, he followed in his father's footsteps by serving in the Fire Department both in Washington D.C. and Baltimore City. He retired with over thirty years of service. As a young man and even as he grew older, he had his own concrete business and did excellent work in many of the homes in and around northeast Baltimore. Additionally, he worked on oil burners and later served several years as a Maryland State Fire and Safety Inspector. His success in business can be directly attributed to his work ethic. His attention to detail was legendary. He

took pride in the fact that he always left his customers satisfied.

Leroy understood the importance of education, and constantly worked to better himself by reading the Bible, dictionary, encyclopedia, and self-help books, and watching historical documentaries. He eventually graduated from Essex Community College in the 1980s. His dedication served as a role model for his family, as he was extremely proud when his daughter graduated nursing school and law school, and his son earned two graduate degrees. Both grandchildren are in postgraduate programs.

Leroy was a religious man of faith. He and Dolores were parishioners at the Shrine of the Little Flower in Baltimore for over 30 years. He enjoyed reading, playing music, creating art, and sailing and boating.

Events

DEC 16 **Catholic Prayers** 01:00PM

Mitchell - Wiedefeld Funeral Home, Inc.
6500 York Road, Baltimore, MD, US, 21212

DEC 16 **Visitation** 01:45PM - 03:00PM

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Comments



“ Anglee Mandish lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leroy L. Cannon



Anglee Mandish - December 15, 2017 at 10:19 AM



“ Kathy and Stephen and family: So sorry we will no be able to come to Leroy's service and see you in person. He certainly had an interesting life and I know how much he liked to read. We enjoyed visiting with them at Cross Keys. I think of him as a real gentleman. I miss talking with your mother so much and was wondering how Leroy was doing but did not realize he was closer to you Kathy which was good for him and you all also. As Dolores would say.....Hugs to you all. Anglee (and John) Mandish

Anglee Mandish - December 15, 2017 at 10:18 AM



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