



Leon Melvert Shepard

July 30, 1947 - March 25, 2022

LIFE PROFILE

LEON MELVERT SHEPARD, affectionately known as (POPSEY), a longtime resident of Stamford, CT passed away peacefully, at the age of 74 on March 25, 2022. He was born July 30, 1947 in Williamston, NC to the late James Cecil and Leora Shepard.

He was educated in the public schools in Williamston, NC until his family relocated to Stamford, CT where he continued his education.

Over the years, Leon found his desire and passion in the field of cosmetology. In pursuing his passion he attended the Leon Institute of Hair Design under the teaching of Mrs. Hattie Clayburn. Upon passing the state examination he received his state licenses. Leon was employed by Roy Barbershop, and Superior Barbers for many years as a barber/hairdresser until he became ill. He was a member of Faith Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church. Leon was dedicated to his family and friends, whom he touched with his helpful spirit. He will be truly missed by all.

Leon loved sports and was active in baseball, bowling, basketball, and jai-alai. One of Leon's favorite places was spending time on the golf course; he enjoyed a great moment of pride when he made his first hole in one! He enjoyed playing pool, cards, and many other activities. Leon also enjoyed reading the book of the month through the Ferguson Library South End Book Club.

He leaves to cherish his memories His devoted wife Rev. Mary Shepard; three sons, Leon Melvert Shepard, Jr., Jermaine Shepard (Valdete) and Terrence Shepard; 14 grandchildren; five sisters Betty Pharr (Benny), Evangelist Bonita Shepard, Rev. Dr. Sandra Jackson (Rueben), Minister Carlean Govan, Burnell Smalls (Pastor Milledge); one brother Curtis Shepard; five sister-in-laws, Robin Shepard (Barry), Anne Shepard (James), Deacon Margaret McClintock (George), Elizabeth Forbes (Joseph), Mamie Rice, Shirley Crudup; brother in laws, James Crudup, Charles Crudup (Joyce), Bennie Crudup, a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, goddaughters, friends, special friends and to all who loved him.

Besides his parents Leon is predeceased by his precious granddaughter, Brelynne Shepard, brothers, James Shepard, Barry Shepard, mother/father in law, James and Pattie Crudup, brother in laws, Rueben Jackson, Benny Pharr, George McClintock and Joseph Forbes.

Visitation will be held on Friday April 1, 2022 from 10:00AM - 11:00AM followed by a service of celebration at 11:00AM at Faith Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church, 29 Grove St., Stamford, CT. Officiating Rev. Dr. Joseph G. Ford. Interment will follow at Spring Grove Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Spring Grove Cemetery

41 Hecker Ave.
Darien, CT

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Faith Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church
29 Grove St
Stamford, CT

Service

APR 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

GW

“ *Gerri Dudley Williams lit a candle in memory of Leon Melvert Shepard*



Gerri Dudley Williams - April 08, 2022 at 03:28 PM

JH

“ *I lived in Souhfield Village back in the late 50s and early 60s and I knew Leon who everyone "called Brother" and his bother Curtis was called "Popsi" back in those days.*

I also remember his sisters and younger brother Barry.

Sorry for to hear that he is now in God's hands and I pray for your family.

I lived on Indian Lane, and we played together back in those days.

Jimmy Hill

Palm Harbor, Florida

Jimmy Hill - April 02, 2022 at 10:27 AM

ED

“ *Rev. Shepard my sincere condolences to you and your family.*
Apostle Dukes

Elizabeth Dukes - April 01, 2022 at 12:16 PM

AJ

“ Sending my condolences to Rev Mary Shepherd and family on the lost of their love one my God continue to bless you at this difficult time.



Amy Jacobs-Keel - March 31, 2022 at 08:02 PM

MT

“ To Reverend Mary Shepard and Family

May the peace of God be with you during this difficult time. May his love sustain you in the days to come.

Danny & Murdis Townes

Murdis Townes - March 31, 2022 at 03:55 PM

MH

“ My condolences to the shepherd family. Posey will be missed. I remember you and your family for a long time. I pray for comfort. To you Rev shepherd. Your sons. And grandchildren which I know he loves. No more PAINS
He is with him heavenly father.

Minnie Henderson - March 30, 2022 at 10:06 AM

BH

“ To the Shepard family

My condolences.

Bridget Wilson Hall and family



Bridget Wilson Hall - March 30, 2022 at 06:23 AM

BF

“ *Sandy and family*

My condolences.

Barbara Freeman and family



Barbara Freeman - March 30, 2022 at 06:21 AM

DD

“ *To the family, I wanted to let you know that you are in our prayers right now. I realize that there are no words that we could write or say to make things better, but please accept our sincere condolences on the loss of Brother Leon your love one.*

Deacon -Deaconess DuFree - March 29, 2022 at 07:01 AM

ME

MY DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TOTHE FAMILY N FRIENDS. MAY GOD BE WITH U ALL THROUGH THIS DIFFICULT TIME. MAY HE R.I.E.P.

Mary E.McCoy - March 30, 2022 at 08:00 PM

KI

miss you pops

kioury - May 25, 2023 at 11:02 AM