



ROBERT L. "MR. B" BURKS

August 1, 1929 - September 9, 2016

Robert Lee Burks, 87, passed away Friday, September 9, 2016.

He was the Co-Founder of the Newburg Boys and Girls Club, retired from International Harvester, and an Army Veteran.

Mr. Burks was preceded in death by his wife Dorothy Burks and nine siblings.

He is survived by his children, Sharon Heston, George Burks (Pamela), Connie Clay, Morris Bethel and Wanda Coleman (Bruce); siblings, Lucille Wilson, Anna Stivers and Richard Burks, host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren.

Visitation: 6 pm-9 pm Thursday, September 15, 2016 at First Baptist Church J-Town, 10600 Watterson Trail.

Funeral: 11 am Friday, September 16, 2016 at the church with burial in Highland Memory Gardens.

Arrangements entrusted to A. D. Porter & Sons, 1300 W. Chestnut St.

Tribute Wall

BT

“ To the Burks Family. Mr. Bob will be missed by so many people who knew him. The Newburg area will not be the same without him around. I miss coming back in town for the softball tournament and hanging out with him and Mr. Johnson. Know that you all are in my prayer. God bless and keep you all safe in his arms. Brenda TillmanChicago, IL

Brenda Tillman - September 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Rest well Uncle B...

Cheresa Burks - September 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ To know that "Papaw" is reunited with Miss Dot brings my heart joy!!! He is walking around Heaven all day and for that I am glad, and I feel some peace. . . He is the reason that we in Newburg had the childhood we had, full of love, laughter and true happiness! I can attest to his heart and his love of his family and his community. To Sharon, George, Wanda and Connie, I love you and I pray that Gods bring you peace while your grieve.

Missy Unseld Williams - September 15, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PH

Rest in Heavely Peace Uncle Robert 🌹 I am Abraham Burks
Granddaughter Phyllis Holmes from Georgia

Phyllis Holmes - March 17, 2022 at 12:51 PM

CS

“ *To the Burks Family: I am truly sorry for the loss of Mr. B. May the many memories and years you shared together bring you happiness . Although we are never prepared for this type of loss, take solace in God's promise to comfort those who mourn. Matthew 5:4*

C M Sep - September 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Celebrating a life well lived. We will cherish the memories forever.*

Julia Hill - September 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ *May God hold your family close and bless them with the memory of beautiful moments together. George, many thoughts and prayers to you and your family in this great loss.*

Gerald Bates - September 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *My sincere condolences to the Burks family. I always admired Mr. Bob and Mrs. Dot and their well disciplined children as they attended First Baptist Jeffersontown nearly every Sunday since I can remember.Mr. Bob will certainly be missed.*

Rosetta Shelby - September 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ *Prayers for the Families The Kennedy Family*

Kevin Kennedy - September 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ To My Brother and Sister in Law George and Pamela Burks, my deepest condolences, Gods Blessings and strength to both of you. Much Love.

James High - September 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ Connie -- I am praying for you and your family. If there is anything I can do, please let me know.Sandra

Sandra Gore - September 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ Connie - I am praying for you and your family. Those of us who know the truth, know that you will see your father again. This is not the end. If there is anything I can do for you, please let me know.

Sandra Gore - September 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ My deepest condolences to family and friends

sharon Horton - September 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ My deepest condolences to family and friends--Mr B was my bowling partner for the last couple of years--he will be missed

sharon Horton - September 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ My condolences to the family. I loved to hear him sing. RIH MR B

MeLinda Harvey - September 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ To the family of Mr. Burks, deeply sorry for your loss. Mr . Burks was a very outstanding person with a kind heart, his dedication with the Newburg community and the boys and girls club he will never be forgotten, but truly missed . Thoughts and Prayers to the family

Pamela Moran - September 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

YH

“ There goes a true soldier, a scarce breed nowadays. GodSpeed and eternal rest.

Yoni Howard - September 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ To my other family I will miss him when I come to Louisville sorry for the lost will always be in pray. Love you all.Julia Hill and family.

A friendSep - September 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Mr.Burks gone but never forgotten he was like a dad to me Mr. Burks and Mrs. Burks she was like a mom to me I lived next-door to them for years. I love the whole Burks family you'll are in my prayers God bless you all. Briggett Hughes

A friendSep - September 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ MY PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU ALL! RIGHT NOW AS YOU GO THROUGH ALL THE SORROWS OF A GREAT LOSS, MR, BURKS WAS ONE OF NEWBURGH'S FINST & WILL BE MISSED BY SO' MANY AS IT WILL BE HARD JUST HOLD ON TO THE GOOD MEMORIES AND SMILE BECAUSE, HE WAS AND NOT BECAUSE HE HAS MOVED ON, THAT'S ALL MOVED ONSINGING FOR OUR LORD, NOW! RIP MR, BURKS. BLESS YOU ALL IN JESUS NAME.

JEWELL DICKERSON - September 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ *RIH Uncle Bob you'll be missed dearly and remembered forever.*

Christian D - September 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ *Sending a heartfelt condolences and prayers during your loved ones passing. Hold to God's unchanging hand and may He truly keep and bless your family.*

Rhonda Gathright - September 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ *May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.*

Gregory - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *Uncle Bob R.I.P. i will always remember you. You are with AUNT Dot . and the both of you will be watching over the family. Love you Bobbie*

Barbara Miller - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LY

“ *Mr.B, will be missed by me and his KARAOKE FAMILY.He was always a great supporter. Over The Rainbow, my favorite he would sing. Mr.B is not gone from us, he is just away, love you Mr.B, till we meet again my dear friend, R.I.P., & yes you did it your way. Prayers and blessings to the family*

Lynn - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *ROBERT L. "MR. B" BURKS*

Barbara Miller - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ *A true friend for kids Will always remember love for t ball
MUNCHKINS*

Tommy Horton - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ *Sorry for your loss, May prayers are with your family.*

Sybil Graves - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *Prayers to the family...love you all. Rest in peace Uncle Bob.*

Sheree Burks Hicks - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *You were definitely loved by everyone, and will be truly missed. Lots of love and prayers to the family and may GOD bless you all.*

Rhonda Hill - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

HL

“ *A fine gentleman. We will miss him and his music. As he so often sang...."and they took another angel home"* ”

Highland Post American Legion - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

NM

“ *You have my deepest sympathy in the passing of "Mr. Bob". He will be truly missed & I am thankful that I was able to have a conversation with him during the Newburg Fesitval. One never knows when one will not be here to "share". I had a special connection with him and know that words cannot fully express the pain that the family may be feeling. Know that he is at peace and will forever remain in the hearts of those of us whom were fortunate enough to know him.* ”

Norma Maddox - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

ET

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of grief. May your memories bring you comfort.* ”

Emma Taylor - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

WA

“ *As the days and weeks pass, and as you return to life's routine, may you continue to feel comforted by the love and support of family and friends.* ”

Willis A - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Mr. Burks told me when I worked for the Boys and Girls Club...that they needed more men like me to help out with the young men of the club so they wouldnt go down the wrong path...and that stuck with me the whole time I was there ...to get a compliment from him meant the world to me...after all I was trying to be like him and Big George Unseld...He will be missed.

Marc Clemons - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Mr B while bartending at a local bar, where he sung karaoke every week. He always serenaded the audience with his singing style. He was a very nice man; well respected and respectful to others. To the Family: Hold to your memories and keep your hands in God's hands.

Laverne Hicks - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AJ

“ Prayers for my family in this sad and difficult time. Uncle Bob will truly be missed.

Althea Jones - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MI

“ My deepest condolences to the family. I remember growing up, going to the Boys & Girls club, playing tball/softball and Mr. Burks being there.

Min - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ With deepest, deepest sympathy. The family of Andre' C. Reynolds, Sr.

ann s - September 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *Hard to hear of Bob's passing, my wife Pat and I bowled with Bob on Tuesdays for the past 8 years. We will miss him. Please accept our condolences to all of his family.*

Dave Coomes - September 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM