



Deacon Emeritus Leo Snoddy

August 3, 1931 - August 2, 2013

SNODDY, Deacon Emeritus Leo - Age 81, passed away Friday August 2, 2013 at his residence. Family hour 10:30AM Thursday August 8, 2013 at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, 512 Pearsall Ave., with funeral service commencing immediately at 11AM. Pastor Terrance J. Gowdy, officiating. Interment White Chapel Cemetery 621 W. Long Lake Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:30AM Thursday. Mr. Snoddy will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 268 N. Perry St., and may be viewed from 2-8PM Wednesday. The family will be present to receive friends from 6-8PM Wednesday at the funeral home.

Deacon Leo Harrell Snoddy was born August 3, 1931 in Longview, Texas to the late Wailie and Annie B. Snoddy. He met and married his sweetheart Wilma Jean Hawley Snoddy at Center Baptist Church in White Oak, Texas in 1950. He graduated from Shiloh High School in 1949. Leo's life's journey has been focused on his faith in God, being an exemplar role model for his family, demonstrating strong work ethics, and always emphasizing the importance of a good education.

Leo's strong work ethic started early. His first job was as a Janitor at Pine Hills Elementary where he was responsible for gathering fire wood to heat the two-room school before the other children arrived. He was on the 3/3 Pay Plan... he earned three dollars per month and had to walk three miles to pick up his

paycheck! Starting at the age of 13, Leo worked for J.T. and Mary Frances Cagle during the summers and learned how to maintain a lawn, make household repairs, raise chickens, and drive a car. This would be the first sign of what would become a long history of owning rental properties. In 1953, with the emerging automotive industry and the possibility of joining a company with good benefits, Leo moved his family to Michigan where he worked in the Pontiac Motors Division of General Motors for thirty-four years. While working at Pontiac Motors and after his retirement, Leo invested time and energy into purchasing and renting many homes in Pontiac and Detroit for over thirty years. As an honorable and responsible father, Leo wanted to ensure that families had “good homes” in which to raise their children. Acting on this vision, he always strived to provide well-maintained, clean, and affordable properties.

Living by faith, daily prayers, and much thankfulness, Leo evolved from growing up in the church not only as a youth, but throughout his life. He and his wife have been active members of the Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church in Pontiac, Michigan since 1953. Leo served as Chairman of the Deacon Board, Chairman of the Building Fund, Sunday School Teacher, and dedicated member of the Mission ministry for many years. He also established the Youth Usher Board.

Deacon Snoddy leaves to cherish his memory: loving wife, Wilma Jean Hawley Snoddy; one son, Anthony L. Snoddy; four daughters, Karen Elaine Walker, Norma Snoddy Nixon, Neva Snoddy Martin, and Marshilia Enetta Snoddy; one daughter-in-law Shawn L. Snoddy; two sons-in-law, Reverend Eric Walker and James Nixon; ten grandchildren, Shonda Sherrie Snoddy-Walker, Carmen Elizabeth (Gregory) Harden, De’Juhn France Benion, Danan Frances Benion, Jessica Drina Martin, Justin LaDell Walker, Julian LaVell Walker, Joshua Dell Martin, Gabriel Anthony Snoddy, and Grace Elizabeth Snoddy; one great-grandson, Myles-Mackenzie Snoddy Walker; three

brothers, George (Linda) Snoddy (Alexandria, Virginia), James (Lois) Snoddy (Detroit, Michigan), and Vernon (Vickie) Snoddy (Pontiac, Michigan); one sister, Annie Yvonne Bradford (San Francisco, California); four godchildren, Kassandra "Kay" Buckhaultter (Ernest) Mack, Kiara Gardner, Derrick Gardner, and Jamal Gardner; and a host of other family and friends.

Deacon Snoddy was preceded in death by two brothers and three sisters: Selvin Snoddy, Forrest Snoddy, Marthan Love, Wailie Mae White, and Ruie B. Mark.

Cemetery Details

White Chapel Memorial Park Cemetery

621 West Long Lake Road
Troy, MI 48098

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 7. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Pontiac
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Pontiac, MI 48342
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Service

AUG 8. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church
512 Pearsall Ave.
Pontiac, MI

Tribute Wall

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“ *Snoddy Family: Sorry to hear of the loss of your father. May God Bless You and keep you in his care at this difficult time. (Proverbs 3:5,6,)*

Bridget Powell & Family

Bridget Powell - August 08, 2013 at 09:03 PM

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“ *Dear Snoddy Family,
We are so sorry to hear about the loss of Deacon Snoddy. All of our family has such fond memories of him and Mrs. Snoddy at Macedonia Baptist Church. Thank you for sharing with us a kind and godly man. He will be missed. Our prayers are with your family.
Much Love,
Kiel and Nadeen Brown & family*

Nadeen Brown - August 07, 2013 at 06:40 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Deacon Emeritus Leo Snoddy.*



August 07, 2013 at 09:46 AM



“ *Written in the Stars was purchased for the family of Deacon Emeritus Leo Snoddy.*



August 06, 2013 at 01:53 PM



“ *Curtis Smith, President purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Deacon Emeritus Leo Snoddy.*



Curtis Smith, President - August 05, 2013 at 10:58 PM



“ *Dear Snoddy Family and Friends,
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one. Please accept my sincere condolences. I too have lost several loved ones in death, and the pain is fresh, even with the passage of much time. Thankfully, I have found relief in knowing that "The Most High God" is the "Hearer of Prayer", and a source of tremendous comfort in times of grief and distress. (Psalms83:18, Psalms65:2) Please be assured, death will soon be "swallowed up forever" and we will have the opportunity to see our dead loved ones again. (Isaiah 25:8) My family and I wish you and yours peace. (Phillipians4:7)*

Lisa - August 05, 2013 at 11:32 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Deacon Emeritus Leo Snoddy.* ”



August 05, 2013 at 11:30 AM