



Mr. Harold Lewis Hitt

October 13, 1938 - April 30, 2023

Mr. Harold Lewis Hitt, 84, of Peoria, IL, transitioned to his heavenly home at 12:10 am, on Sunday, April 30, 2023 at OSF Richard L. Owens Hospice Home.

Harold was born on October 13, 1938 in Hillsboro, IL to Roy and Alice (Casey) Hitt. He married his sweetheart Mary Ann Sanders in Peoria, IL on October 23, 2010.

Harold honorably served in the US Army from February 21, 1958 through February 20, 1961. He was last assigned to the 208th Military Division as a Military Police Officer and Security Guard.

Harold had the distinction of being one of the 1st African Americans to be hired in the Ameren CILCO Gas Division retiring from that department after many years of service. Harold was a long-time and faithful member of Star of Hope Full Gospel Church where he served as an usher. Harold was always well dressed and a gentleman. When he and Mary Ann stepped out, they were always dressed to impress. Harold was well loved and respected by many.

Harold leaves to cherish his most precious memory his loving wife, Mary Ann Sanders-Hitt of Peoria, IL; one step-son, Andre Dawkins of Oakland, CA; one

brother, Paul Hitt of Akron, OH; one sister, Alice Randle of Dayton, OH; one step-grandson, Dominic Dawkins; a step-great granddaughter, Santana Dawkins and a host of brothers and sisters in laws; nieces, nephews, other family and friends who loved him. He is preceded in death by his parents and six siblings, Mildred Crump, Lewis Hitt, Roy Hitt, Jr., Benjamin Hitt, Clarence Hitt and Herman Hitt.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Saturday, May 13, 2023 at Star of Hope Full Gospel Church with a visitation one-hour prior at 10 am. Bishop Joseph Johnson will officiate.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [SimonsMortuary.com](https://www.SimonsMortuary.com).

The service will be live streamed on Simons Mortuary's Website or Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Simons-Mortuary-232095303487150> promptly AT THE TIME OF THE SERVICE (Central Time).

*Face mask are optional; but understand that some individuals may still mask in public for medical conditions or for their own comfort level.

*It is our responsibility as Funeral Directors, to do everything we can to honor our beloved Families and to keep everyone as safe as possible.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Star of Hope Full Gospel Church
417 W. Romeo B. Garrett Avenue
Peoria, IL 61605

Celebration of Life

MAY 13. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Harold Lewis Hitt*



Simons Mortuary - May 15, 2023 at 04:34 PM



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Harold Lewis Hitt*



Simons Mortuary - May 12, 2023 at 01:04 PM



“ *3 files added to the album Harold Hitt Funeral Program*



Simons Mortuary - August 17, 2023 at 04:03 PM

JB

“ *Joanie Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Harold Hitt*



Joanie Brown - May 13, 2023 at 04:58 AM

MH

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Mary Ann Hitt - May 12, 2023 at 02:58 PM

PB

“ *Pastor Jerry & Deborah Butler purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Mr. Harold Lewis Hitt.*



Pastor Jerry & Deborah Butler - May 12, 2023 at 02:43 PM

RF

“ *Rena Horton & Family lit a candle in memory of Harold Hitt*



Rena Webster Horton & Family - May 12, 2023 at 09:11 AM



“ Sorry for your loss, worked several years together at Cilco. Always a pleasure to be around. RIP Harold.

Jeff Anderson - May 08, 2023 at 08:01 AM

RH

“ Rena Horton lit a candle in memory of Harold Hitt



Rena Webster Horton - May 06, 2023 at 11:44 AM

JB

“ Joanie Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Harold Hitt



Joanie Brown - May 04, 2023 at 06:50 AM

ML

“ Sorry for your lost, my 🙏🙏 to you and family. We worked together for many years at Cilco on persimmon.

Ms Ronnie Lowe-Kelley - May 03, 2023 at 10:17 AM

MM

To his precious wife: I pray GOD give you comfort, strength and guidance in this time of sorrow. I love you dearly 🕊️💎💎🌹

Maune Morgan - May 04, 2023 at 08:06 AM