



## Mr. Thurman "Buck" Alvas Nance

October 31, 1933 - May 1, 2016

Mr. Thurman Alvas "Buck" Nance, 82, formerly of Peoria, IL, departed this life May 1, 2016 at St. Francis Hospital, Indianapolis, IN. He was surrounded by Pastor Ware, family and friends, reading scriptures and singing praises as he transitioned to his heavenly home.

Thurman was born to Emmett Lee and Christina (Stratton) Nance on October 31, 1933, in Elkhart, Illinois.

Thurman attended Elkhart Community High School, graduating in 1951. Shortly after graduation, Thurman relocated to Indianapolis, Indiana. He joined the U.S. Army in 1953, and received an Honorable Discharge after serving in the Korean War. (Decorations, Medals, Badges: National Defense Service Medal / Korean Service Ribbon / United Nations Service Medal / Marksmanship Badge)

Thurman was united in holy matrimony to Charlesmarie Martin on July 13, 1956, together they enjoyed thirty-six years of marriage until Marie departed this life on August 15, 1992.

Thurman professed a hope in Christ and was baptized into fellowship with Eastside Baptist Church, where he served as a Trustee until his health began to decline.

He leaves to cherish his memory, one son: Thurman Douglas Nance, Sr. (Lori Pickens) and three beautiful daughters: Deborah Nance, Robin Nance and Kimberly Nance. Nine Grandchildren: DeNitria (Donte'), Kevin (Roshawn), Satia (Calvin), Blake, Alexis, Dougie, Donovan, Devon and Monika. Six

Great-Grandchildren: Donte' Jr., Davion, Brooklyn, Heaven, Amya and Lyanna. One Brother: Gilbert Nance. One Brother-in-law: Robert Dozier. Special nephew Wendell Nance. God-daughter: Angie Sharp-Stubbs. Special daughter: Gloria Stewart. Special Granddaughter Melanie (Devon). A host of nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by his parents, wife, four brothers, Emmett Nance, Jr., Obadiah Nance, Clifford Nance, Wayland Nance, four sisters, Pauline White, Lois Bass, Ida Mae Armstrong, Marcia Dozier. Mr. Thurman Nance was a father figure to not only the children in his neighborhood, but to every child he came in contact with and was known as "Gran-Daddy" to a host of their children.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, May 7, 2016 at 1pm at Eastside Baptist Church, 2845 Baltimore Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46218. There will be a 2 hours visitation from 11 am – 1pm. Pastor Ray S. Ware will officiate. Thurman will be laid to rest at Crown Hill Cemetery.

Quincy J. Webster Funeral Chapel, 4722 Century Plaza Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46254, (317)297-7956, has been entrusted with arrangements. Condolences may be faxed to (317)297-7531.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Thurman "Buck" Alvas Nance*



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**Simons Mortuary** - May 09, 2016 at 10:10 AM

SG

*Beautiful memories. Uncle Thurman has gone home. One day you will all see him, along with the rest of the family who have proceeded you in their "Homegoing."  
May God grant you all that type of peace that surpasses all human understanding.  
Love you guys,  
Sandra Hobbs Gilliam*

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**Sandra Hobbs Gilliam** - May 09, 2016 at 05:43 PM



*I love it..R.I.H. Cousin Thurman*

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**Eric Thomas** - May 09, 2016 at 10:40 PM



“ *Mr. Thurman "Buck" Alvas Nance*

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January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mr. Thurman "Buck" Alvas Nance*

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January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



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**Darlene Nance-Sykes** - May 11, 2016 at 11:11 AM

GC

*Beautiful. I'll never hear it again without thinking of Uncle Thurman.  
Thanks for adding it to his Tribute Page.*

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**Gloria Carter** - May 19, 2016 at 07:34 AM



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**Darlene Nance-Sykes** - May 11, 2016 at 11:02 AM

SG

“ God spoke & it was good. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord.

*I felt nothing but genuine love from Uncle Thurman during the 20 years I was a part of the Nance family. Accepted, embraced, & loved to include my children. I am sincerely sorry for your loss & excited to know I will see him again, along with the rest of those folks who broadened my life with hospitality, generosity & God like love.*

*We must mourn, but God has a plan that allows us peace that surpasses all human understanding.*

*Smiles & kind words were all he knew to show others. I learned so much from that generation. I will never forget.*

*God bless & keep you all. He left you behind but has reunited with others who went on before.*

*I love you all and celebrate & mourn with you all.*

*Love,  
Sandra Hobbs Gilliam*

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**Sandra Hobbs Gilliam** - May 08, 2016 at 11:05 PM

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Scott

“ My Uncle Thurman and I shared many fond Memories together but one that stands out is when we were traveling back from DuQuoin ill along with my Wife Debra. I put in a cd Donny Hathaway Live...Uncle "Buck" as he is affectionately known as danced to that tune all the way back to Indianapolis....Since That CD Is My Favorite needless to say We Had A Wonderful Time on our 3 almost 4 hour trip....Love You Uncle....You will missed greatly.....Carl Scott

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**Carl Scott** - May 06, 2016 at 05:06 PM