



Mr. Leonard Irons, Sr.

April 28, 1922 - March 8, 2023

Obituary

Mr. Leonard Irons was born April 28, 1922, in Hulbert, Oklahoma to George and Jennina Irons. He was one of ten children born from this union. After the loss of his mother, he was raised by his aunt and elder siblings in Tahlequah and Tulsa, Oklahoma.

As a young man, Leonard ventured out to Kansas City. In October 1943 he enlisted in the United States Navy during WWII. After two and half years of active duty, he was honorably discharged and returned to Kansas City.

Leonard met his wife, Lynell, in Kansas City. The couple married in June 1953 and four children were born to this union. They were happily married for thirty years until Lynell's untimely death in 1983.

Leonard entered the bakery industry. Initially with Butternut Bread, then eventually with Wonder Bread. He retired from Wonder Bread after thirty years of service.

Leonard was revered and loved for his sense of humor, affection, wisdom and leadership. Along with his ability to be stern and opinionated while also being gentle and caring, he was a beloved father, grandfather, great grandfather and community role model. He enjoyed home improvement, sports, wrestling,

westerns and spending time with family.

Leonard was preceded in death by his parents, his nine siblings, Lynell Irons (wife) and Leonard Irons, Jr. (son) of St. Paul, Minnesota.

Leonard leaves to cherish his legacy and memory two brothers-in-law, Pete Robinson (Sonja) of Lansing, Michigan and Sylvester Robinson of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida; three daughters, Diana Whitney, Linda Campbell and Susan Shields; three grandchildren, James Whitley, Christopher Irons and Imani Turner of St. Paul, Minnesota; five great grandchildren, Jaylah Whitney, Tulia Whitney, Aubrey Whitney, Chance Irons and Kennedy Whitney; a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, March 18, 2023, 11:00am at Lawrence A. Jones & Sons Funeral Chapel. Interment Forest Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be from 10am-11am at the chapel. Service conducted by Lawrence A. Jones & Sons Funeral Chapel. Condolences may be shared our website.

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Join in honoring their life - plant a memorial tree*

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“ *Mr. Irons was a neighbor of our family for 55+ years. Mr. & Mrs. Irons were friends with my parents and all of us children were friends. Mr. Irons was more than just a neighbor he was like an extended Father. He was a distinct, precise, and matter of fact to the point man. No matter what the topic, for example from jumping rope, to how you're doing at school, to advise on boys---He always had some critique or advice--some words of wisdom. He was always concerned for us and looked out for us. He always put a smile on my face...He had such a kind spirit. He was loved and respected by all of us.Psalms 29:11. The Lord will give you strength ..and Bless you with peace.With heartfelt sympathy, Dorethea Jenkins*

Dorethea - March 17, 2023 at 09:52 PM

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“ Dear Linda Campbell and Family, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."- Matthew 5:4 Sending my condolences to you and your family on the passing of your Dad. May GOD's love and protection be with you in all the days to come. Mr. Leonard made it to 100! What a legacy of a life! Linda I was just thinking of you this morning. GOD BLESS YOU! Sincerely, Angela (Tucker) Hawkins - Lincoln High School Classmate of 1976!

Angela M. Hawkins - March 17, 2023 at 08:43 AM