



Jesse Banks Horne

October 21, 1921 - February 1, 2017

Jesse Horne Obituary

Jesse Banks Horne, affectionately known as Chico, was born in Memphis, Tennessee on October 12, 1921, to Reuben Orlando Horne and Erin Mildred Banks Horne. His parents, along with four siblings (Reuben Jr. "Tito", Arthur Earl, Ellen Frances, and Gloria Mae) preceded him in death. Jesse set the standard for strength and resilience at the young age of six, when his father passed away unexpectedly. In order to help his mother save the family home, he found many enterprising ways to contribute financially and help supplement his mother's income: he started his own shoe-shine business, sold cola drinks, and secured his first real job at the neighborhood drug store. His siblings remembered him being the first to wake up and the last one to retire at night. As a teen, he also learned as much as he could about carpet cleaning and laying from a neighbor; as he felt it was an opportunity that provided steady work. Named after his grandfather who was a minister, Jesse accepted Christ at Trinity CME Church in Memphis at the age of 15. He stated this decision influenced all future decisions he would make. Jesse graduated from Manassas High School and worked his way through Tennessee State University. During WWII, he joined the Navy and received an honorable discharge in 1946. Returning to TSU, he met the love of his life, Mattie Ree Payne and they were married on October 9, 1947. To this union three beloved daughters were born: Pamela Payne, Patricia Anita, and Sheila Renee. On October 12, 1997, they renewed their marriage vows at their 50th wedding

celebration. They were married 57 years at the time of Mattie's passing in 2004. Their lasting union and unwavering commitment to each other was a model for marriage and an inspiration to many. Jesse retired as a Clerk from the United States Postal Service after 35 years of dedicated employment. He continued to operate his carpet cleaning and installation business "Horne's Carpet Service" for many years after his retirement from the Post Office. It was a vocation he truly enjoyed and he earned a reputation for providing quality work and operating his business with integrity. In 1982, Halle Brothers offered him a full-time job cleaning their stores' carpets. He declined in order to remain self-employed. He felt he made the right decision, as the store closed later that year. Along with his family, he joined Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church in 1957. He was a long-standing member of the Methodist Men, serving as Secretary for 35+ years. He also served on the Trustee Board for 39 years; and maintained emeritus membership. Jesse was one of the founding members of the Mt. Pleasant Credit Union and served on the Administrative Board as well. One of Jesse and Mattie's happiest moments was being honored at Mt. Pleasant on August 29, 1999 for their dedicated service to the church. Being extremely sociable, Jesse was a member of the Memphis Club, Tennessee State University Alumni Club, and the Anthropos Club. His favorite club responsibility was organizing bus trips to Atlantic City and other venues; and he was always able to fill up two buses quickly. Of all his achievements, working two jobs to put his three daughters through college and seeing them graduate was the hallmark of Jesse's accomplishments. As both his parents were teachers, Jesse witnessed the value of receiving a good education. Along with Mattie, he made many sacrifices to ensure that these same values, along with an uncompromising work ethic, were instilled in their girls. Jesse's charming personality, friendliness, and his love for telling jokes were only a few of his endearing qualities. He lived a full and rich life. He had countless friends, never met a stranger, and it was assured that wherever he went, he would encounter someone he was acquainted with. When asked how he was doing, Jesse's favorite responses were, "I'm kickin'", but not too

high!" and his most recent, "I'm holdin' on to the pole, even tho' it's slippery!" Before his recent decline in health, Jesse was able to drive to the casino and he always loved to dance. He took pride in keeping the kitchen clean by washing dishes and also vacuuming the floor. He really looked forward to going to the YMCA where his trainer Yvonne would ask him to slow down on his cycle workout. Jesse lived to celebrate his 95th birthday surrounded by his family. He was especially happy to share the moment with his grandchildren and great-grandson. Jesse was an exemplary son, brother, uncle, husband, father, and grandfather. A man of integrity, with a generous and giving heart; and a spirit that compelled him to always do what was right and honorable. He was remembered for always giving a dollar to all his nieces and nephews because he had very little growing up. Jesse considered his true wealth to be his faith in God and having a family and friends who loved him. Jesse's family was very supportive and helpful. The family wishes to acknowledge the special dedication of his daughter, Patricia, who was his primary caregiver for nine years. Jesse passed away peacefully as he was walking down the steps of his back porch. The last things in his view were the two houses he provided for his family and his beloved 1995 Ford Taurus! Jesse's treasured memory will live on through his cherished children: Pamela & Albert Howell, Patricia Hines, Sheila & Alvin Hernandez; grandchildren Nicholas Bryson (Zoe), Ryan Anthony, Alexandra Marielle (Noonie), and great-grandson Bryson Christopher. Wonderful memories remain with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends; including the late Larry Worthington and Darryl Thompson, who were like sons to him. Cemetery Details Evergreen Memorial Park 5505 Northfield Rd Cleveland, OH, 44146 Family Visitation FEB 9. 05:00 PM - 07:00 PM E. F. Boyd & Son Funeral Home and Crematory - Warrensville Heights 25900 Emery Road Warrensville Heights, OH, US, 44128 Wake FEB 10. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church 3232 East 128th Street Cleveland, OH, US, 44120 Funeral Service FEB 10. 11:00 AM - 01:00 PM Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church 3232 East 128th Street

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