



## Cleo A. Jenkins Sr.

October 25, 1928 - January 18, 2013

Our beloved father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend, Cleo Anderson Jenkins, Sr., 84, went home to be with the Lord on Friday, January 18, 2013. Cleo was born on October 25, 1928 in Norfolk, VA and was one of ten children reared in Portsmouth, VA by the late Reverend Silver and Joanna King Jenkins. The son of a Baptist preacher, Cleo gave his life to Christ at an early age. Compelled to develop a more intimate relationship with Christ, Cleo joined Grove Baptist Church and maintained his connection with this body of believers for many years.

Cleo was predeceased by a loving wife, India Mae Taylor Jenkins and a son, Kelvin L. Jenkins.

A father figure to many, Cleo was fondly called “Pa Pa”. He was a great conversationalist and those who knew him can attest that he enjoyed sharing a good word with anyone. Prior to his health failing, Cleo also relished in the opportunity to work in his yard and he enjoyed working in his vegetable garden. Cleo’s favorite pastime was to spend quality time with his family—especially his grandchildren, “his boys”.

Cleo knew the importance of providing for a family. He attended I.C. Norcom High School in Portsmouth, VA and was eventually employed and retired from the Virginia Chemicals Company as a Fork Lift Operator.

Cleo leaves to cherish his memory, a son, Cleo A. Jenkins, Jr. He is also survived by ten grandsons, Kelvin, Dion, Cleo, Lionel, Brandon, Shawn, Joshua, Damont, Michael and Aaron. Cleo also leaves thirteen great-grandchildren. Also to cherish his memory, Cleo leaves two daughters-in-law, Monetta Frances and Cherita Jenkins. Cleo leaves a sister, Sylvia Jenkins Mills of Queens, NY and two brothers, Bishop Isaac Jenkins of Pocomoke City, MD and Leon Jenkins of Anchorage, AK. Cleo also leaves a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Olive Branch Cemetery

2 Cpl J M Williams Ave  
Portsmouth, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JAN 25.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services  
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Chesapeake, VA 23323  
(757) 487-3700  
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## Service

**JAN 26.** 12:00 PM (ET)

Grove Church  
5910 West Norfolk Road  
Portsmouth, VA

# Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Cleo A. Jenkins Sr.



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**J. T. Fisher Funeral Services** - January 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ With Sympathy to you, Dion Gordon and your family,  
What more beautiful gift, what brighter light could your loved one  
have given the world...  
...than the caring that is so clearly written in the hearts of your whole  
family. So sorry for your loss. From your Teammates at Pinova.

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**Linda Mann** - January 22, 2013 at 11:15 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for  
the family of Cleo A. Jenkins Sr..



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January 22, 2013 at 08:12 AM