



Norris West

January 16, 1954 - January 17, 2009

On Saturday, January 17, 2009, at three p.m. surrounded by his family, our beloved father, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend departed this world to eternal rest at Golden Living Nursing Facility in Portsmouth, Virginia.

Norris, affectionately called “Eddie” by those who knew and loved him, was born January 16, 1954 in Nansemond County, Suffolk, Virginia to the late Soloman

West, Sr. and Maegertha Riddick West. He was raised from birth to age twelve in

Suffolk, Virginia and in New Haven, Connecticut until age eighteen, where he attended New Haven, Connecticut schools. He also served a brief stint in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Norris formerly worked for Newport News Shipbuilding-Drydock Company, Earle’s Industries, and Smithfield Meat Packing Company where he held supervisory positions until failing health prevented him from doing so. Known for his quick wit and hilarious sense of humor, he was never at a loss for words. A great lover of his children, family and friends, Norris always knew when to assert his style of humor to lighten painful, stressful and somber moments. He loved a good joke as well as telling one, thus earning him the title of “The Master Storyteller.” He never met a stranger and was always eager

to lend a hand to someone in need. Norris will be greatly missed.

To cherish his precious memories are two sons, Kelvin D. West of

Youngstown,

Ohio, and Emanuel A. "Cess" West of Norfolk, Virginia; and one daughter, Raquel

R. West of Portsmouth, Virginia; three sisters, Gearldine W. White (Al), Ethel Mae W. Veal (Richard), and Willie Mae West, all of Portsmouth, Virginia; his former wife and mother of his three children, Barbara L. Anderson; two aunts, Ardelia Hoskie of Hamden, CT, and Dorothy West of Newport News, Virginia; nieces; nephews; cousins; other relatives, and a host of friends.

He was predeceased by a brother, Soloman West, Jr., and three sisters, Margaret M. West Thomas-Watson, Jessie Lee West, and Mary V. W. Brooks.

Previous Events

Service

JAN 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
1248 N. George Washington Hwy
Chesapeake, VA

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Norris West



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - January 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I am writing to say how very sad it was to learn of Norris's passing. We worked together at Radva plastics and then we saw each other often in the naval shipyard while he worked for earle ind. He was a great guy to work with and just alot of fun to be around. I learned alot from him and I will always have the best of memories of Norris. With sympathy, Jeff Lane##imported-begin##Jeff Lane##imported-end##

January 22, 2009 at 08:30 PM