



Hosie Duckworth, Jr.

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The journey of life for Hosie Duckworth Jr. began on July 1st, 1925 in Brownsville, Tennessee to the blessed union of Hosie Duckworth Sr. and Addie (Cobbs) Duckworth. He was one of six children. On September 6, 2012, the heavenly choir needed another angelic voice, and he answered the call.

In the late 1940s, Hosie relocated to Decatur, Illinois where he was employed by Wagners Casting for over 45 years. After retiring from Wagners, he joined Anna Waters Headstart where he truly enjoyed being an acting grandpa to so many little ones. He was also a proud owner of Snappy Shoe Shine for several years. In the mid 50s he married Betty (Buckley) Duckworth and they were blessed with a beautiful daughter, Patricia. He was a faithful member of The Church of the Living God CWFF, and during his early years served as a Deacon.

Hosie had a love for people. His warm personality caused him to never meet a stranger. He truly made an impact on so many during his journey on this earth. While his final days were spent at the Heartland Nursing Center, he would encourage the staff, visitors, and residents with a song or a prayer coming from his room.

To cherish and carry on all his fond memories are his loving wife Betty Duckworth, daughter Patty North (Ron) of Mission Viejo, CA, son-in-law Charles White (Pam) of Decatur, IL, sister Lillie Taylor of Cincinnati, OH, brothers Rankin Duckworth of Decatur, IL and John Duckworth of Brownsville, TN, grandchildren Marlin North, Marcus North, Brenda Pate, Gwendolyn Lewis, Shanteal Lewis, Renee Lewis, Krishna Lewis, 15 great grandchildren, and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents Hosie Sr. and Addie, daughter Pamela White, son Thomas Lewis Batechelor, brother, Robert, sister, Lillian, sister-in-law, Kizzie, granddaughter, Thamisha Brysan.

The home going celebration service will be 11am Thursday, September 13th at The



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Church of the Living God CWFF. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be in Macon County Memorial Park.

Hosie's family has entrusted his care to Moran & Goebel Funeral and Cremation Services, 2801 N. Monroe St. Decatur, IL. Please view the online obituary, send condolences and share memories at www.moranandgoebel.com



Tribute Wall

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DS

Dan Sherrerd posted:

When I think of Snappy Shoe Shine it brings the best memories to me. That is what Hosie did for me. He made me feel good. I had the watch repair shop next door and would wander over just to talk to Hosie. Then there was Winnie Smith next door to Hosie as well, so we had a great crew on that street. Hosie always said to me "Laugh and the world laughs with you..." What a great guy!

September 11 at 7:38 PM

BP

Bobbi Patterson posted:

I am sending this message from the whole Hedenberg family. Hosie was such a wonderful person. He always kept my Uncle Bob Hedenberg busy and watched over him throughout the years. We all appreciate all he did for our Bob who also went home in May to be with our Heavenly Father. I know they are sitting together right now catching up on all they missed out on when my uncle left Decatur to go to Arizona to spend his last years there. We send our prayers out to the family for your lose but we all know Heaven is rejoicing to have him there. Bobbi Jo Patterson

September 11 at 10:11 AM

PW

Pamela Duckworth Walker posted:

To: The Duckworth Family Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. We hope that the presence and care of loved ones will ease your pain. Faith in God will bring you peace and understanding. For it is faith that lifts us up, Love that brings us comfort and Strength that allows us to move on. Lovingly The Walker Family

September 8 at 6:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Hosie by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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