



Jesse C. Keenon Jr.

September 30, 2022

Jesse C. Keenon, Jr. passed on Friday, September 30, 2022 peacefully among loved ones in Washington, DC. Having celebrated a birthday 2 days prior, he was 88 years old.

Jesse was born September 28, 1934 in Cleveland, Ohio to the late Jesse and Georgia Keenon. He had two Siblings, Brother Melvin Keenon, Sr. (preceded in death), Niece, Monica C. Keenon, Nephew, Melvin Keenon, Jr. (preceded in death) and Brother Louis Keenon (preceded in death), Niece Terri Lynn Keith. Other family members Julius L Kinlow, Doretha M Kinlow, Lakeisha J Kinlow, Erica N Friday, Julius L Kinlow Jr. Sellam Seboka.

Jesse entered the United States Army active duty from Cleveland, Ohio in May 1957. In over 28 years of active duty he has served in France, Thailand, Germany and two tours in Korea. His stateside assignments included Fort Leonard Wood, Fort Sheridan, Fort Monroe, Fort Meade, and Fort Belvoir. He has performed a wide variety of duties over the course of his career including design draftsman, technical engineering supervisor, construction engineering supervisor, first sergeant and operation NCO facilities engineers. Jesse was a graduate of the Seventh Army NCO Academy. Since 1982 he had been assigned to the Engineer School Fort Belvoir, Directorate of Training and Doctrine in the capacity of Project NCO, General Engineering Branch, Individual Training Division. Master Sergeant Keenon has been awarded the

Meritorious Service Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Achievement Medal, and the Good Conduct Medal (9th Award). Jesse retired for the military on February 25th, 1986. His assignment at the time of retirement was Operation Sergeant, Program Doctrine Management Office, Directorate of Training and Doctrine, United States Army Engineer School, Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

After military life Jesse transitioned to the United States Postal Service where he provided 28 years of dedicated and honorable service. He retired June 30, 2021. Jesse was never married and had no children.

In the midst of life changes Jesse was fortunate to have gained an additional family unit. After years of diligent hard work, Jesse was granted the grace of rest and became an instant family member, affectionately known as “Pops” to the Kinlow Family.

Jesse’s elder years, he lived and was care for by his loving family Julius Kinlow, Doretha Kinlow, Lakeisha J Kinlow, Erica N Friday, Julius L Kinlow Jr.

Jesse was an avid reader of the daily newspaper and an active church member. He attended Dean Divers Baptist Church and enjoyed fellowship with his loved ones and close friends. Jesse will especially be remembered by his warm smile and his kind spirit. Other hobbies included spending time with “his girls”, tennis, bowling, picnics at the River, dancing, enjoying family trips and gatherings.

Jesse leaves to cherish a host of loved ones, family and friends.

The family will receive visitors Thursday, October 13, 2022 from 11am-12pm at Dean Divers Baptist Church, 7702 Bethlehem Road, Manassas, VA 20109

with a service and military honors at 12pm.

Previous Events

Viewing

OCT **13**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Dean Divers Baptist Church
7702 Bethlehem Road
Manassas, VA 20109

Funeral Service

OCT **13**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Jesse C. Keenon Jr.*

January 12, 2023 at 12:00 PM



“ *Dumfries Health Center & SHR purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jesse C. Keenon Jr..*



Dumfries Health Center & SHR - October 12, 2022 at 10:54 AM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jesse C. Keenon Jr..*



October 07, 2022 at 09:18 PM