



Linwood Corkern

October 3, 1942 - May 14, 2020

LINWOOD CORKERN, AGE 77

And a resident of Franklinton died Thursday afternoon May 14, 2020 at Lakeview Regional Medical Center. He was retired after a 35 year career with the Public Works Department of the Town of Franklinton, while serving as the Superintendent for the last 20 plus years. Linwood was a Jack-Of-All-Trades and a Master of each one, as he was trained in carpentry, electrical, plumbing, mechanical work and any task that served him so well in the year-round complicated maintenance of Franklinton. He was a United States Army veteran that served during the Korean War. He, along with his wife and family, operated Linwood's Restaurant for over 20 years. Linwood was a longtime dedicated member of Grace Missionary Baptist Church, where he served as Secretary and Treasurer for many years. He enjoyed gardening, traveling to the Great Smoky Mountains and fishing with his family.

Survived by:

Wife of 53 years: Irene Cooper Corkern of Franklinton

4 Sons and Daughters in law: Jimmy and Diane Bickham of Franklinton,
Jerry and Shannon Bickham of Pine,
Hayes and Ruby Bickham of Franklinton,

Tommy and Candy Burnett of Arkansas

Grandchildren and Spouses: Jerry Bickham, II,
Jason and Cindy Bickham,
Craig and Melissa Bickham,
Tommy and Melanie Bickham,
Kimberly and Kenny Hartzog,
James Bickham,
Nikki and Zach Easterling

16 Great-grandchildren and 1 Great-great-grandchild

2 Sisters and a Brother in law: Vermell and Joe Reid
Paulette Sanders

Sisters in law and a Brother in law: Vivian Smith,
Ruby Graves,
Mildred Leathers,
Patricia Shapiro,
Walter and Betty Cooper

Also numerous nieces, nephews, his beloved church family and many dear friends

He was preceded in death by his daughter Judy Bickham Erwin, grandsons Scott Erwin, Clint Bickham, parents Preston Corkern and Idell Carroll Corkern, brother Pete Corkern, sister Geneva C. Crowell and several brothers in law and other family members.

A graveside funeral service will be held in the Acy's Creek Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery at 3:00 pm Monday May 18th with Eld. Edward Penton

officiating. Military Honors will be provided by American Legion Post 24.

His grandsons will serve as Pallbearers.

Obituaries can be viewed online at www.crainfh.com

Tribute Wall

LS

“ *Lib Scheuermann lit a candle in memory of Linwood Corkern*



Lib Scheuermann - May 22, 2020 at 01:38 AM

LS

Sorry about Linwood. He was a very kind, thoughtful Man.

Lib Scheuermann - May 22, 2020 at 01:42 AM

SS

“ *He will be greatly missed by many* ❤️

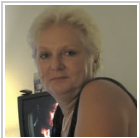


Sissy Steimle - May 20, 2020 at 02:52 PM

BH

“ *Hayes and Ruby, I offer condolences to you for the passing of your father and father-in-law. May God bless you and hold you close! Sincerely, Barbara Hunt*

Barbara Hunt - May 18, 2020 at 08:38 AM



“ *Marvin Magee said rest in piece old friend.*

Gilda McCain - May 17, 2020 at 04:33 PM



“ I've always considered him a friend. I loved his humor. He was never at a loss for words. Let me share a memory from back in 1997-98. I get a phone call at home and it's Linwood. He asked me, Duke did you loose something? I said "alright buddy is this some kind of joke"? He said, no just thought you might have lost something? Like what I asked? He said, "here's a hint, I'm calling you on it!"
Linwood told me an employee found my phone laying in town somewhere and turned it in.
It was my honor to know him. Here's the great thing about Linwood. He treated me as if he'd known me all his life.
My deepest sympathies to his wife and family. God bless you all
Duke Hulsey

Duke Hulsey - May 16, 2020 at 08:35 PM

KW

“ Ray and I have been talking about Linwood and wondering if he was alright. We have not seen him out in months. I always liked talking to him. I would go directly to him about an issue around town, he always took care of it. He didn't tell me he would and then not do it. I appreciated him for that. When I asked him if he would move the old restaurant equipment etc. from the property facing Old Bogalusa Highway, he did. We appreciated that.
Ray & Kaye Williams

Kaye Williams - May 16, 2020 at 05:59 PM

BC

“ i was married to his sister Genava for 25 years . i was in the military station in n,c, and he came there for a while. he was very good person would help anyone. my name is Bob Crowell i live now in Galvez.

bob crowell - May 16, 2020 at 05:41 PM

CJ

“ Hayes, Ruby and family, I am so sorry for the loss of Mr. Linwood. He was a kind, nice man. I remember him and Ms Irene from the restaurant. They worked so hard. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Cathy Johnston

Cathy Johnston - May 16, 2020 at 04:08 PM

RW

“ Prayers for the family of Linwood, He was a good friend and a very respectful person whom we will all miss

Robert Dale Walters - May 16, 2020 at 10:57 AM