



## Mr. David Betts, Sr.

January 22, 1935 - January 8, 2016

David Lee Betts Sr. was born on January 22, 1935, in Barton, Arkansas, to the late Otis Betts Sr. and the late Isabella Mitchell-Betts. Fourteen children were born from this union. David was the seventh child.

David grew up in Sunday school and church. He was baptized at an early age, at Calvary M.B Church by Pastor J.H. Hammonds. Farm life and hard work were essential to his childhood.

David relocated to Chicago in the early 1950s. He was employed by Curtiss Candy Company, as a machine operator, (now known as Nestle Foods USA). He achieved 42 years of service, where he was never late or missed a day of work. He faithfully led early morning prayer with co-workers. David was an active participant in the Bakery Confectionery International Union, Local #522.

David joined in holy matrimony to Lola Williams on July 2, 1959 and to this union five children were born. He believed, loved and kept his faith in God and joined West Point M.B Church being a faithful member as a Deacon and served in the Male Choir.

He loved life, enjoyed working on cars, and family time. Family reunions and trips down South were highlights of his summers. He had a great sense of humor, known for a distinctive jolly laugh, and sharing childhood farm lessons with his children and grandchildren.

David Betts Sr. was called home on the early morning of January 8, 2016. David is now reunited with his daughter LaShanda, his parents and all his brothers and sisters. Oliver, Otis Jr., Monroe, Roosevelt, Leo, John Eddie, Madis, Lee Alice, Roda Mae, Susie, Rudell, Geraldine (affectionately known as Gew Baby), George, Joe, and Odell.

He leaves to cherish his loving memories, a devoted wife Lola Betts; two daughters Brenda and Brenita, two sons David Jr. (Jackie) and Artrez (Charlotte), eight grandchildren Chassity, Jessica, Quentin (Kendra), Sterling, Briana, Damone, Neriah and Micah; five great-grandchildren Patrick Jr., Quentin David, Anabelle, Sean and Aubrey; a God-son Minister Brant Glover, a God-daughter Sharon Foltin extended family the McDonalds and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Hope

11500 So. Fairfield  
Chicago, IL 60655

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **15**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Calahan Funeral Home & Cremations  
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## Service

JAN **16**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

West Point Baptist Church  
3566 South Cottage Grove  
Chicago, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. David Betts, Sr.*

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