

<u>Obituary</u>

Johnny Lawrence Lott, Jr. 83 completed his earthly course on Sunday, September 22, 2013 at Family Home Hospice in Las Vegas, Nevada. Born in Waycross, Georgia John was the only child and son born of Johnny Lawrence Lott, Sr. and Anna Lucille Vergil. After his mother's surmise, his father remarried and combined families with Beulah Davis Lott.

John graduated from Center High School in Waycross, GA in 1948. Shortly thereafter he relocated to Philadelphia, PA where he joined the U.S. Armed Forces and served his country from March 1951 to August 1956. He received the Korean medal of Service along with two Bronze Service Stars, and United States Service Medals. After John's honorable discharge he relocated to New York City where he met and married Lola Dumas. Out of that union was born Brenda, William (best known as Tony), and Sharon. After parting ways with Lola, John met Doris whom he affectionately called Dorothy. Out of their union was born Sherrie Ann. They remained loving companions until his surmise.

After retiring from the Police Department in 1983 John worked for the United States Marshal in New York City until 1989. He relocated to California and shortly thereafter settled in Las Vegas, Nevada.

John was a champion of social consciousness. He loved to spend time watching CNN, and other news media and discussing his estimation with others. His favorite past-time was investing in the next new business trend and enrolling everyone in it. He was also known to give intense advice on life lessons and the world according to "Johnny Lawrence" (smile). John was the keeper of many keys which he attached to a long chain that hung off the loop of his pants as part of his daily attire.

He loved participating in social events and black tie affairs with the Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce where he met many long time acquaintances. His famous quotes were "common sense will take you a long way" and "don't take for grantedness" which meant don't take people for granted. He occasionally referred to people that made bad choices as "bone-heads", "Squeeze them on the cheeks" was a closing line regarding his grandchildren, and "knuck" was a term of endearment.

John is survived by his confidante and soul mate of over 42 years, Doris Koonce; son, William Anthony Lott; daughters, Brenda Lott, Sharon Lott and Sherrie Ann McKinley; son-in-law James Presley McKinley; his surviving siblings Narvie L. Skinner, Beulah Bing and Samuel Lott; grandchildren, Brittany Kelly-Anglin, Theodore Lott, Taj William-Prince Alexander Lott, Toni Alexis Lott, Shalem Elisa McKinley and many other nieces, nephews, relatives, and acquaintances.

"Somewhere a journey begins at the end of the worldly existence we know, Somewhere a path stretches over the stars, and rivers of memories flow... Somewhere a silence is heard far away and the brightness of day fills the night, Where the trials of life are resolved into peace when a soul finds its way to the light."

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

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Acknowledgements

Remarks

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Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Calverton National Cemetery Calverton, New York



The sun has risen and set

Many nights have come and gone

The other day though

Was the day I was called home

I've left tasks unfinished
There were stories still to be told
Celebrations still to be had
And conversations that would have left us oh so glad.

The time for tears was then
Sorrow and heartbreak all in the past
Now its time for you and I
To venture down a new path.

I am always in your heart Will always be a part Never too far away For you to whisper hey.

As the wind blows and gently touches your face
Just think of me giving you a warm and soft embrace
Cheering you on from up above
Until the day we give each other another hug.

-Gerald Koonce-

Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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