

December 8, 1922 - January 5, 2018

Friday January 12, 2018 Viewing 5-6 PM Open Reflections 6-7 PM Service 7-9 PM

#### St. Paul's United Methodist Church of Vanderveer Park

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Rev. Johnny Ceasar

# Reflections of Life

**Aubrey Veira**, the son of Octavia Richards and Vernon Veira, was born on December 8th, 1922 in Victoria Village, St. Vincent (WI). He was one of six brothers and three sisters. He attended Gomea Methodist Primary School where he completed the 8th grade.

At the age of 13 he was sent to live with his Grandparents, Ellen and Edward Richards in Daphne Village, St. Vincent (WI). His fondest memories were of days working on the farm, milking cows, feeding goats, and raising pigs. While living there he received his first job experience working for a doctor where he was responsible for cleaning and cooking. Through his work with the doctor, Aubrey learned the importance of hard work while simultaneously developing a special aptitude for cooking.

When he was 19 years old he left St. Vincent to reside in Trinidad and Tobago (T&T). While in T&T he worked as a clerk and then advanced to becoming a pipefitter for the British Petroleum Oil Field. On December 12th, 1943, he married Credo Veira (formerly Phillips) and went on to have 3 daughters, and 9 sons. They lived in Hubert's Town Guapo, a small village in the town of Point Fortin.

Aubrey and Credo owned their own small shop which was named "Veira and Sons" and was located on the Main Road in Gonzales. By day he worked for BP and by night he worked at the shop. Aubrey learned plumbing and worked as a Plumber and did many other handy work-related jobs. He was a "jack of all trades and a master of none".

Budget cuts and the monotony of the oil field job had sparked his interest in going abroad in search of better job opportunities; and so on September 10th 1967 Aubrey left T&T and headed to the United States (US). His first job in the US was for Maytag and Labels. One year later, in 1968 Aubrey sponsored his family to join him in the US. The following year he began working for the New York Telephone Company, which is now a part of Verizon Communications. While working for New York Telephone he studied and became an HVAC Technician. He held that position until he retired 23 years later.

Aubrey was an avid member of the St. Paul's United Methodist Church were he served faithfully for over a decade as a Board of Trustees Member, part of the Men's Bible Study & Fellowship Group, the Usher Board, and was always open and ready to assist in any church activities or functions. He was also a dedicated Triumphant Star Lodge Member.

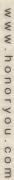
Aubrey Veira departed this life on Friday January 5th, 2018 at the age of 95. He now joins in eternal life his beloved wife, Credo, his parents and siblings. He leaves to mourn his 12 twelve children: Irwin, Ronald, Usil, Michael, Vernon, Neil, Gerald, Suzanne, Denese, Kirt, Phil, and David; daughters-in-law: Hazra (Ena), Suzan, Sally, Teresa, Nerissa, and Indira; Son-in-laws: Larry, Darryl, and Limas; Grandchildren: Cherryann, Andrew, Hazel, Michael, Tamara, Cookie, Aaron, Janelle, CheeChee, Elizabeth, Nichole, Andrea, Alex, Alana, Tenelle, Keon, Janelle, Neil Jr., Bryce, Nicholas, Shauntia and Jared; 25 great grandchildren, several great grandchildren, and a host of extended family members and friends.

Aubrey Veira's life was a true rags-to-riches story. Through hard work and perseverance he was able to create a legacy for his family and established a foundation for generation to come. In essence the theme for Aubrey Veira's life is a "a life well lived".

## Order of Service

Prelude"Hymn Medley" - Sis. Sophie W. Johnson, Organist Processional"Handel's Largo"
Words of Grace
Reflections
Opening Hymn"  "How Great Thou Art" UMH #77
Prayer of Comfort
Reflections
Scripture Read - Psalm 27 Darrius Wilson
Solo/Selection
Reflections
New Testament Reading & Fond Memories - 2 Timothy: 7-8 Rev. Rose
Gospel Reading - John 14 v 1-7 Teresa Veira
Reflection
Hymn"Blessed Assurance" UMH #369
Reflections
Reflections Denese Veira-Wilson
Obituary
Hymn"It Is Well with My Soul" - UMH
Reflections
Pslams 23
Eulogy
Hymn"When We All Get to Heaven" - UMH #701
Final Viewing
Recessional "Soon and Very Soon" - UMH #706

Refreshments and fellowship with family downstairs in the church Hall





God saw you getting tired
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So He put His arms around you
And whispered, "Come to me"
With tearful eyes we watched you
And saw you pass away
Although we loved you dearly
We could not make you stay
A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands at rest
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.

### Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with sincere appreciation the many kind deeds and comforting expressions of sympathy extended to them in time of sorrow. Your prayers, visits, telephone calls and other acts of thoughtfulness will be greatly remembered. We pray that blessings will continuously be bestowed upon you.

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