



John Willard Crowder Sr.

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John W. Crowder Sr. John Willard Crowder Sr. was born on September 11, 1941, in Grenada, Ms. He was the eighth of eleven children, Born to William Henry and Ellen Golden Crowder, who preceded him in death, also five brothers: Elwood, Theodore, William, Harold and Hayes, and one sister Gloria.

John accepted christ as a youth, he was a member and sang in the choir at Vincent Chapel United Methodist Church, in Grenada, Ms.

John attended and graduated from Carrie Dotson High School in 1960. In August of 1960, he joined the United States Marine Corps at MCRD San Diego, Ca, two years after enlisting, he married the love of his life, Lucy Wilson, on July 16, 1962. They had three children, John Jr., Curtis, and Cynthia. He retired from the U.S. Marine Corps after serving nine years in 1969, as a staff sergeant. That same year he was employed by the City of San Diego Parks Department, starting as a Laborer and Utility Worker 1. During his first seven years with the city, he furthered his education by taking evening classes and achieving an Associates of Arts Degree in Behavioral Science at City College. A Bachelor's Degree in Public Administration from Natural University. His career with the City of San Diego reached great heights with seven promotions in his 33 year career. The management positions he held were Senior Water Utility Supervisor, General Water Utility Supervisor and retired as Construction Operations Management. He encouraged and taught other workers on how to achieve a successful career with the City of San Diego, he was respected by all.

John also dedicated his time to the community by serving as a member of the San Diego City Schools Community Advisory Budget Development Committee as well as the District Advisory Committee for Compensatory Education.

John W. Crowder lived a long and beautiful life and enjoyed dancing and singing to that soulful blues sound. He will greatly be missed by his loving wife Lucy, his sons John Jr., Curtis (Sharon) and daughter Cynthia, three grandchildren Candace, Jonelle



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and John III, three great grandchildren, Christian, Davion and SiRae, brothers Clyde Crowder, Frank (Geraldine) Crowder, Nathaniel (Thomasina) Ford, sisters, Edna Smith, Carrie (Charlie) Mack, and a wonderful blessing of many nieces and nephews who he was affectionately known as Uncle Willard, and his extended family and friends.




Events


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Graveside Service


 **Monday**, July 20, 2020


 11:00 AM PT

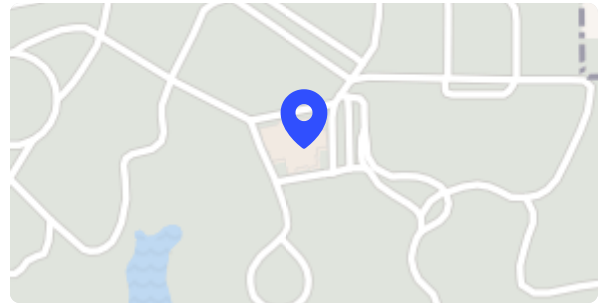
 **Greenwood Memorial Park**
4300 Imperial Avenue, San Diego CA 92113



Cemetery Details

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 **(619) 450-1479**





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BR

Brenda lit a candle in honor of John.

RIP Uncle John. My prayers are with the family.

July 30 at 8:58 PM



TO

Tonyp posted:

RIP Mr. C, condolences, Blessings to the family!

July 20 at 7:39 AM

JB

Jerome Brannon posted:

I would like to send my CONDOLENCES to the whole Crowder FAMILY. He will be truly missed but not forgotten. I will miss his SMILE. THAT'S what I loved the most. Whenever I would go to his house, he ALWAYS GREETED ME at his front door with a BIG SMILE AND A FIRM HAND SHAKE. IT WAS HARD FOR ME SEEING HIM SICK. I prayed ALL THE TIME FOR him and Mrs. Crowder. May he FOREVER REST IN PEACE. I LOVE U MR.CROWDER....JEROME BRANNON

July 19 at 6:21 PM

PR

Pamela Golden-Rice posted:

Our condolences to a much admired and loved family member. We take comfort in knowing that we will see you again when we all come together with the return of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We look forward to that great day. What a great rejoicing it will be, as the old hymnal says. Until then we have our memories of you which will live on in our hearts. Warren and Pamela Golden-Rice

July 19 at 4:26 AM

CT

Chris Taylor posted:

My condolences to my long time friend and fellow co-worker John Jr and your family on the passing of your father. Much love and respect.

July 18 at 6:34 PM



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Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Crowder family.



July 18 at 6:25 PM



Raymond Berry posted:

Rest In Heaven Mr. Crowder.

July 18 at 5:46 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Crowder family.



July 18 at 3:30 PM



Christina Watson lit a candle in honor of John.

My UNCLE will be truly missed him dancing and talking about life point. Just want to say Unk you will be Missed Love you all Marie



July 18 at 9:22 AM



Djuan D Temple July 18 at 2:05 PM

He will be missed.I'm going to miss the phone calls.he would say Djuan on my way to Vegas I see you when I get in. And that cool smiles he had . Rest in peace Mr. John Crowder sr. My man



Ramona Hooper Blackmon July 18 at 12:17 PM

He will be truly missed. Blessings Family.



Gwendolyn July 18 at 10:23 AM

When I moved to California,Uncle Willard step up doing what ever he could to help me get settle in.I never for get the parties we went to,in the back of the truck with the camper top.I have enjoyed some very happy times from my uncle.It was a lots of laughs and jokes when he was around.Unk kept everyone posted from here to Chicago.If he knew it and it was worst telling you got told.I miss you Uncle Willard.



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Eloise Crowder-Mitchell sent a virtual gift in honor of John.

I've enjoyed a wonderful relationship with my uncle from the time he came to California and joined the Marines. He reminded me of my Dad, in that, he was always in contact with me no matter where we lived (away from California). He will be sorely missed.

July 18 at 7:15 AM



Petra Crowder lit a candle in honor of John.

July 18 at 4:16 AM



Petra, Frank Money And Family sent a Guiding Light Bouquet to the Crowder family.

July 18 at 4:07 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Crowder family.

July 17 at 11:53 AM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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