



## Mr. Jesse Lee "Pap" Neal

January 17, 1925 - December 28, 2017

Funeral service for Mr. Jesse "Pap" Neal, of Opelika, AL will be held at 12:00 pm Thursday, January 4, 2018 at Antioch Missionary Baptist Church with interment in Evergreen Cemetery. Rev. Jerry Dowdell will officiate.

Mr. Neal passed away Thursday, December 28, 2017 at Compassus Hospice in Birmingham, AL. He was a member of Mount Zion Baptist Church in Cordova, AL and a former member and Deacon at Antioch Missionary Baptist Church. During World War II, he served his country in the US Army. Mr. Neal was a member of VFW Post 5732 and the Lion Tamers Social Club. He retired from Craftmaster's Printers.

The family will receive family and friends at the funeral home on Thursday evening at 5:00 pm. His remains will lie in state at the church one hour prior to the service.

He is survived by: four children, Tony (Loretta) Neal of Opelika, AL, Pastor Sabrina Williams of Lacey, Washington, Bridgette (Jimmy) Oliver of Notasulga, AL and Zay N. (Pastor Darren C.) Allen of Gardendale, AL; twelve grandchildren, Tamra (Steve) Lark, Anthony (Tameka) Neal, Montez Neal, Brandon Neal, Tonoccus McClain, Rashaad McClain, Desean McClain, Brittney Oliver, Mya Oliver, Denise Oliver, Zoe Allen and Zion Allen; ten great grandchildren; nieces, Charlie Mae Groome of Youngstown, OH, Alexis

Lawrence and Jacqueline Melendez both of New Haven, CT; a nephew, Thero  
Neail of Columbus, OH; a special cousin, Armetta Johnson of Opelika, AL;  
several other relatives and friends

# Cemetery Details

## Evergreen Cemetery

1409 Monroe Avenue  
Opelika, AL 36801

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 3. 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Peterson and Williams Funeral Home  
1016 McCoy Street  
Opelika, AL 36801  
(334) 745-6473  
pw1016mccoy@hotmail.com

## Family Receiving Hour

JAN 3. 5:00 PM (CT)

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1016 McCoy Street  
Opelika, AL 36801  
(334) 745-6473  
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## Lie in state

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JAN 4. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Antioch Baptist Church  
605 WE Morton Ave.  
Opelika, AL 36801

## Service

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JAN 4. 12:00 PM (CT)

Antioch Baptist Church  
605 WE Morton Ave.  
Opelika, AL 36801

# Tribute Wall



“ Peterson and Williams Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Jesse Lee "Pap" Neal



Peterson and Williams Funeral Home - January 03, 2018 at 02:18 PM

BO

*Thinking about my daddy today!!*

Bridgette Oliver - March 26, 2023 at 06:43 PM



“ Mr. Jesse Lee "Pap" Neal

January 29, 2023 at 11:13 AM

DM

“ Hey this is my great grandpa I did not know he was on this.

Desean McClain - March 08, 2022 at 01:25 PM

SR

“ Sending my condolences to the family. Mr. Neal will be truly missed. Everytime we talked he was always cheerful and full of life. Instead of me encouraging him he would always be the one encouraging me. To the family y'all are in my prayers.

Sharon Reese - January 03, 2018 at 02:26 PM



“ *Rena Todd lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jesse Lee "Pap" Neal*



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**Rena Todd** - January 03, 2018 at 12:44 PM



“ *48 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Peterson and Williams Funeral Home** - January 03, 2018 at 08:50 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Jesse Lee "Pap" Neal.*



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January 02, 2018 at 11:50 PM

RT

“ *Rest In Peace.*



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**Rena K. Todd** - January 02, 2018 at 10:19 PM

CB

“ *Class of 87: Tab, Kenya, Blossom, Tanya, Bern purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Jesse Lee "Pap" Neal.*



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**Class of 87: Tab, Kenya, Blossom, Tanya, Bern** - January 02, 2018 at 10:03 PM

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“ *Cynthia Lark purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mr. Jesse Lee "Pap" Neal.*



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**Cynthia Lark** - January 02, 2018 at 06:43 PM

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“ God saw he was getting tired,  
And a cure was not to be,  
So he put his arms around him,  
And whispered "Come with me",  
With tearful eyes we watched him suffer,  
And saw him fade away,  
Although we love him dearly,  
We could not make him stay,  
A golden heart stopped beating,  
Hard working hands to rest,  
God broke our hearts to prove to us,  
He only takes the best,  
Although his heart stopped beating,  
His love will always remain,  
His absence puts upon our hearts,  
A very heavy strain,  
For now he is in a place of everlasting rest,  
We just have to understand that God,  
He only takes the best.  
Love you!!  
Cynthia Lark (Steve's sister)

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Cynthia Lark - January 02, 2018 at 06:35 PM