



Mr. Arthur C. Ward Jr.

July 22, 1933 - January 12, 2022

Mr. Arthur C. Ward, Jr. 88, of Cortland passed away Jan 12, 2022 at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Syracuse, N.Y. Arthur was born July 22, 1933 in Salem, Alabama. Arthur was a Veteran of the United States Army and a former employee of Cooper Tools in Cortland. Additionally, was a member of Abundant Life UPC of Cortland.

He is survived by his wife; Wilma Jean Ward of Cortland, 5 children; Frank Ward of the Bronx, Tony Ward of Brooklyn, Sharon Rasdale of the Bronx, Barbara Ward (Ricky) King of Diamond Bar, Calif, and Evelyn Ward of the Bronx. Also surviving are many grandchildren and great grandchildren, 5 step-children of Cortland, 4 sisters; Sara Thomas of Salem, Alabama; Gladys Freelon of Maywood, Ill.; Frances Kimber of Phoenix City, Alabama and Christine Upshaw of Salem, Alabama.

Mr. Ward was preceded in death by his parents; Arthur Ward, Sr. and Maggie Russaw Ward, a son; Arthur Lee Ward; a sister; Mary Ward Cochran and three brothers; Johnny Ward, Bobby Ward and Harry Ward.

Funeral services will be conducted on Friday at 6 p.m. from the Chapel of Riccardi Funeral Home, Cortland with Pastor Brad Dutcher officiating. Burial delayed until spring will be in Cortland Rural Cemetery.

The family will be present to receive friends on Friday from 4-6 p.m. in the

funeral home chapel prior to services. Please note, Masks are required at must be worn at all times during the visitation and funeral service.

Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.riccardifuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Service

JAN 21. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Riccardi Funeral Home
69 North Main Street
Cortland, NY 13045
(607) 753-1053
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Tribute Wall

MA

“ *To be absent from the body is to be present with God. We thank God for your life, Uncle Jr. Rest well now.* 🙏



Meagan Andrews - January 21, 2022 at 04:07 PM

MT

“ *We celebrate the life of Uncle Jr. by sharing wonderful memories! I will always remember the Sunday Family Church Services that always ended in sharing love, laughter, good food, and fellowship.*



Love Niece Maggie Thomas & Family

Maggie Thomas - January 21, 2022 at 04:04 PM

BB

“ *Brenda Diane Burton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Arthur C. Ward Jr.*



Brenda Diane Burton - January 21, 2022 at 01:03 PM

SF

“ *To Our Beloved Arthur C. Ward Family
It will be difficult to fill the void in our hearts. The loss is extremely GREAT for a Sister who Knew and Loved her Brother LONGER than any one. We will begin the healing by sharing the precious memories and his love for the Lord while singing one of his favorite songs (The Lord Will Make A Way). He was the best Brother, Uncle and Friend.*

Sarah Ward Thomas & Family

Sarah Ward Thomas & Family - January 21, 2022 at 08:54 AM

SF

“ *Sarah Ward Thomas & Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Arthur C. Ward Jr.*



Sarah Ward Thomas & Family - January 21, 2022 at 08:08 AM

SF

*Gregory
Ronald & Family
Maggie & Family*

Sarah Ward Thomas & Family - January 21, 2022 at 03:15 PM

AS

“ *Ashley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Arthur C. Ward Jr.*



Ashley - January 21, 2022 at 05:15 AM

MC

“ *Mr. & Mrs. David Coleman purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mr. Arthur C. Ward Jr..*



Mr. & Mrs. David Coleman - January 20, 2022 at 05:47 PM

CR

“ *Crystal lit a candle in memory of Mr. Arthur C. Ward Jr.*



Crystal - January 20, 2022 at 05:29 PM

S(

“ *Dear family. May God grant you peace beyond understanding during this time. Uncle Jr. was an amazing man of God and he loved his family. I love you all.*



Susan Kimber-Skeete (Nicky) - January 20, 2022 at 03:04 PM

NF

“ *My condolences to Jane and children. May God comfort you during this time.
Love,
Claudia Mae, Annie, Rosemary, David, Debra
and the rest of the Nelams family.*



Nelams Family - January 19, 2022 at 05:31 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Arthur C. Ward Jr..*



January 19, 2022 at 04:51 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Arthur C. Ward Jr..*



January 19, 2022 at 04:15 PM



“ *Michael M. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Arthur C. Ward Jr..*



Michael M. - January 18, 2022 at 07:53 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Mr. Arthur C. Ward Jr..*



January 18, 2022 at 03:53 PM

BW

“ 3 files added to the album *Barbara's Album*



Barbara Ward-King - January 17, 2022 at 08:18 PM

LF

“ *Love The King & Hudson Family. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Arthur C. Ward Jr..*



Love The King & Hudson Family. - January 17, 2022 at 07:06 PM

JS

“ *Josh/Karen Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Arthur C. Ward Jr.*



Josh/Karen Smith - January 17, 2022 at 05:08 PM

KS

“ *Kayla Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Arthur C. Ward Jr.*



Kayla Smith - January 17, 2022 at 04:36 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Arthur C. Ward Jr..*



January 17, 2022 at 03:36 PM



“ *Chuck Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Arthur C. Ward Jr.*



chuck smith - January 17, 2022 at 02:13 PM



So sorry for the loss of a very nice man. My prayers and hugs are with you all. God Bless.

Laurie Shutt - January 17, 2022 at 05:11 PM



“ *I just want to say thank you for being a wonderful step father who was always there to encourage me. You brought so much joy to everyone who new you. Pops your legacy will live forever and you will never be forgotten. You will forever be in my heart. Love you pops*

chuck smith - January 17, 2022 at 02:12 PM