



Mr. Hedrick Sutton Sr.

January 27, 1927 - August 4, 2025

Name: Hedrick W. Sutton Sr.

DOB: 01/27/1927

DOD: 08/04/2025

COB: Hazelhurst, Mississippi

Father: Print Sutton

Mother: Marie Ottman Sutton

Spouse: Johnnie Tenort Sutton (1951); Clarinda Wilford Sutton (1974) both deceased

Brothers: Tommie Sutton (Wesson, Miss), (11 deceased)

Sisters: Carrie Flagg (Ernest, Gulf Port, LA), Dorothy Hudson (Chicago, IL); (3 deceased sisters)

Children: Rose M. Williams (Cliff (dec) San Jose, CA); Hedrick W. Jr. (dec); Darvie P. (dec); Lathan (Gwen, Chicago, IL); Jacquelyn Y. (Miami, FL); Lynn S. (Chicago, IL); LaTonya Harris (Wayne, Chicago, IL); Marcus (Miami, FL); Issac (Las Vegas, NV)

Grandchildren: 10

Great-Grands: 17

Occupation: Federal Postal Worker (30 yrs)

High School: Brookhaven High School

College and Beyond: Alcorn (Pre-Med)

Military Service: U.S. Army, Drill Sargent and Rifle Marksman

Decorations and Citations: Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Ribbon, Victory Ribbon,

Overseas Service Bar

Hedrick was a remarkable man who led a full and Christian Life. He was baptized at an early age and attended Pine Hill Church in Hazelhurst, Miss. Throughout his life, he continued to support his home church by staying in contact with its' members and making yearly financial donations. Hedrick continued his Christian walk under the leadership at Grant Memorial Methodist Church in Chicago and upon his final earthly relocation to California, at Transformed Through Hope Ministries (Manteca, CA) and Emanuel Baptist Church (San Jose, CA) where he was also a member of the Golden Harvest Bible group. He took every presented opportunity to spread Gods Word and His mercies and grace bestowed on him.

As a young boy he began a devotion for his grandmother, Ada Ottman. She stimulated his young mind by constantly talking to him in riddles, taking him on trips and exposing him to life off the family farm, to other states. Her influence guided him for the rest of his life. He was the eldest of seventeen siblings. Second only to Christ, he loved family, church, friends and to socialize with people. He was a generous and kind man of integrity who gave of himself, his wisdom and knowledge of history, and finances. He declared to all who would listen to Save, Save. Save! Hedrick loved to visit sick friends and family in their homes and those hospitalized. He shopped for, ran errands for those confined to their homes, and performed various chores and assisted them in any way that he could.

Hedrick was a hardworking and devoted family man who enjoyed simple things in life and always advised others to "do things in moderation and to be flexible". He overcame tremendous life challenges for which he always thanked God. He never left home and returned or completed a task without giving God praise. Hedrick instilled strong values in his children and grandchildren and encouraged them to develop a relationship with God, to

attend college and to learn about the history of our country to help understand themselves; who we are and from where we came. Although he was misunderstood by some, he was respected and loved by all who knew him.

Mr. Sutton earned the nickname Mr. \$2 Bill from his trademark of placing \$2 bills in sympathy cards, birthday cards, get-well cards, Christmas cards and in the hands of children when he visited.

On August 4, 2025 Hedrick peacefully and quietly went home to be with the Lord, whom he loved dearly. He was preceded in death by: his wife of twenty-five years, Clarendia; two sons: Hedrick W. Sutton Jr. and Darvie Prentis Sutton (Tweet); two Sisters and 11 Brothers. He leaves to cherish his memories: three daughters: Rose Sutton Williams (Clifford (2017) (San Jose, CA), and Min. Jacquelyn Sutton (Miami, FL); LaTonya Harris (Wayne Chicago, IL) four sons: Lathan Sutton (Gwen (Chicago, IL), Steven Lynn Sutton (Chicago, IL), Marcus Sutton (Miami, FL), and Isaac Sutton (Las Vegas, NV); Nine (9) Grandchildren and one special grandson BenRa Williams (San Jose, CA); Seventeen (17) great- grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. You will forever remain in our hearts - Never forgotten!

Cemetery Details

Trice Hill Cemetery

5101 N. Coltrane
Oklahoma City, OK 73121

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG 28. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Hedrick was my eldest sibling. He was given the privilege to name me at birth. I didn't spend any time with him while growing up - he was much older than me, but I did get to know him well during his summer visits with me in Chicago after he retired and relocated to California. We went shopping together, we went out eating together, we also went to fun places where we would laugh, play games and have fun. He was like a historian - I learned a lot about the family history. I also learned how he came up with the name he gave me at birth. I truly miss those days with him.

Dorothy Hudson - March 10 at 11:48 PM