



Pargie Gerome Riggins

September 2, 1916 - October 2, 2012

Celebrating the Life of

Pargie “Ricco” Riggins

Sunrise Sunset

September 2, 2012 October 2, 2012

Pargie Riggins was born September 2, 1916 in Nashville, TN to the late Pargie and Bettie Mae Riggins.

Ricco, as he was called by family and friends, was the eldest of two children.

His younger brother, Forrest Leon Riggins, preceded him in death.

In the early 20's, Ricco's family moved to Chicago, Illinois. He graduated from McKinley High School in 1933 where he excelled in mathematics.

On January 28, 1944, during World War II, he was drafted into the U.S. Army.

During his tenure in the Army, he was a Super Cargo Checker stationed in New Guinea. As a Super Cargo Checker, he supervised Privates and Corporals of the checking crew. He was responsible for maintaining the records of incoming and outgoing shipments of food, supplies, equipment and ammunition to soldiers on the front line. On May 4, 1946, he was honorably discharged as a Sargeant (TEC 4) with three Overseas Service Bars, Good Conduct Medal, and an Asiatic-Pacific Theater Service Medal.

When he returned to Chicago, he later met and married Beatrice Riggins.

From this union, they had one child, Tasha.

He worked at Reynolds Aluminum of McCook, IL as a Coal Operator. He retired from Reynolds in 1981 after 30 years of service.

Ricco resided in Broadview, IL for over 35 years. Ricco moved from Broadview to Plainfield, IL in 2007 to live with his only child Tasha Straughter, Son-in-Law Tony, and three grandsons, Armann (11), Mason (9), and Pierce (5). His oldest grandson, Markis Wright (19), lives nearby in Bolingbrook, IL. While living in Plainfield, he attended Autumn Country Club Daycare Center in Crest Hill, IL.

Ricco departed this life on October 2, 2012. He leaves to cherish his life and love with a host of friends and extended family. Ricco held a special place in his heart for his three stepsons, Gregory Moore, James Moore (Teresa), Antonio "Bootsy" Moore (proceeded in death) and great grandson Antonio V. Moore (Yana) Las Vegas.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

27034 S. Diagonal Road
Elwood, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 5. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Delgado Funeral Chapel
400 Landau Ave.
Joliet, IL 60432
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pargie Gerome Riggins*

January 28, 2023 at 11:56 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Pargie Gerome Riggins.*



October 04, 2012 at 09:04 AM