



Mr. Woodrow John "Woody" Nero

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“**W**hen that work is all completed, He will gently call you Home.”

Woodrow John Nero was born on November 1, 1945 to Mildred Broussard and Theogene Nero Jr. in Church Point, Louisiana. He was the third child, born of eleven children and grew up on a farm. At an early age he was baptized and confirmed at Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church. He attended Our Mother of Mercy Catholic School and graduated from Church Point High School. Woodrow was later drafted into the United States Army and received an honorable discharge.

After military service he became a United States Postal Service employee. During this time, he attended Houston Community College and earned a certification in air-conditioning technology. Woodrow changed careers and became a locomotive engineer for Southern Pacific Railroad, now known as Union Pacific Railroad. He successfully achieved 30 years of service, retiring in September 2008. Woodrow was also founder, owner, and operator of WJ Nero Lawn and Tractor Service from 1980 to 1992.

His hobbies included gardening and taking care of God's green earth. He enjoyed being outdoors in all types of weather. For relaxation he traveled in his motorhome with friends and family and watched crime shows on television. Woodrow was a member of the Texas Rough Riders Motorhome Club, The Sojourners RV Club, lifetime member of Good Sam Motor Club and was a member of the National African American RVer's Association. One thing he really enjoyed doing was feeding and observing the hummingbirds. Another favorite pastime was solving daily crossword puzzles. His passion was taking care of elders by sharing his garden vegetables and doing any chores they needed done.

Woodrow married Barbara Ellen Brooks on April 26, 1975. To this union three children were born: Lisa Elizabeth, Kourtney Delis, and Keir Natauj. He took pride in being a husband, father, and grandpa. Woodrow's greatest accomplishment in life was his family. He instilled strong



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family values that focused on one's character, work ethic, and community. His motto was: "let's get the job done."

Woodrow is preceded in death by his parents, Mildred Broussard and Theogene Nero Jr. and sisters Catherine Nero Holt and Madeline Braziel.

Woodrow is survived by his loving family: wife Barbara Ellen Brooks Nero, Lisa Sims of Fulshear, TX, Kourtney Singleton (Byron) of Katy, TX and Keir Nero (Lavetria) of Sugar Land, TX.

Seven grandchildren: Jada Sims, Taylor Sims, Keir Nero II, Alexa Nero, Timothy Nero, Kamille Singleton and Kameron Singleton

Siblings: Phillip Nero (Laura) of Lake Charles, LA, Charles Nero (Hisako) of Montgomery, TX, Zackary Nero (Cecilia) of Houston, TX, Robert Nero (Debbie) of Baltimore, MD, Dorothy Moore of Augusta, GA, Veronica True Image of Austin, TX, Priscilla Nero of Cleveland, TX, and Jacqueline Savoy of Beaumont, TX.

He is also survived by five aunts, two uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.



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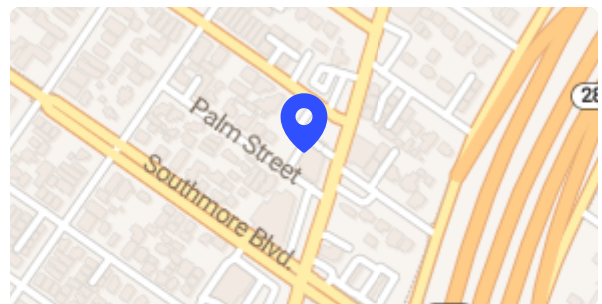
Visitation

- Wednesday**, January 17, 2024
- 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM CT
- Mabrie Memorial Mortuary**
5000 Alameda Road, Houston TX 77004



Celebration Of Life

- Wednesday**, January 17, 2024
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Final Salute & Military Honors

- Wednesday**, January 17, 2024
- 2:15 PM CT
- Houston National Cemetery**
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Priscilla Nero posted:

Woody was my older brother and the true epitome of what a "big brother" should be. My heart aches knowing that I will no longer be able to visit with you and BB in the country and have our "long" talks. I'm grateful and thankful to you for all you ever did for me and with me from childhood to adulthood. My deepest sympathy to his loving wife BB and children, Lisa, Kourtney and Keir. Woody loved all of you with a deep passion and I know your hearts are hurting as well. He lived a good life, was a great provider, great gardener and all around was just a good person. God chose to call him home and I "know" he's now with my parents, siblings and many other family members that welcomed him. Woody you're forever in my heart. Rest in peace big brother.

January 19 at 1:37 PM



Priscilla N. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Woodrow.



January 19 at 1:20 PM



Empress Stevenson posted:

Woody will be truly missed. When I first hired on with Southern Pacific Railroad he was one of the people who greeted me with open arms. I really enjoyed working with him. He was always focused on the job at hand but still chilled that made it enjoyable to be working. May God continue to bless and comfort the family in their time of need.

January 18 at 6:20 AM



Myecia Sims lit a candle in honor of Woodrow.

Sending my condolences & prayers to the family!



January 17 at 4:47 AM



The Sims Family sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Nero family.



January 17 at 3:19 AM



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Alicia Thomas sent a virtual gift in honor of Woodrow.

Extremely sorry for your loss and saddened. Praying for strength and healing for you and your family. With love, Alicia Thomas and Family

January 16 at 12:56 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Nero family.

January 15 at 5:02 PM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Nero family.

January 15 at 2:14 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Nero family.

January 15 at 6:27 AM



Deborah Adams planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Woodrow.

January 15 at 6:27 AM



Vincent & Anna Harris posted:

Ou Prayers go out to the Nero family; we enjoyed the fellowship and great knowledge we would pass on to fellow campers. Anna and Vincent Harris

January 11 at 8:12 AM



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AE

Art & Tina Ellis sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Nero family.



January 10 at 3:32 PM

AE

Art & Tina Ellis planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Woodrow.



January 10 at 3:32 PM

AR

Arthur posted:

Woody, A great friend and neighbor for years. Woody always had time to stop and talk to me. Was a great Gardner he always brought produce to us from his garden. His wife Barbara, and his children, all will miss him and so will I. Such a perfect family in every way. Tina and me are bless with had Woody and Barbara, such a find Christian Family. I cannot say another good things about the Nero family. Love You WoodyArt & Tina

January 10 at 6:48 AM

AL

Anthony Lee posted:

I loved my brother in law Woody he provided for and loved my sister Barbara for 40+ years. He also raised my nieces Lisa and Courtney along with my nephew Kier all to be successful in life. Woody was an upright descent man who never had a problem saying what was on his mind. God surely has a special place for Woodrow Nero. My heart aches for Barbara Nero and I want to express sincere condolences to Lisa, Courtney, Kier and the rest of his family.

January 10 at 12:21 AM

DL

Danny Lee posted:

I have known Woody as my brother in law for 48 years. He was a hard worker who loved his family and dedicated his life to being the best husband to BB and father to his children. Lisa, Kourtney and Keir and the grandkids, you all were his pride and joy. My heart hurts for each of you during this difficult chapter. You have my condolences and deepest sympathy.

January 9 at 3:34 PM



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Arthur And Ann Busby posted:

We will always remember the times we spent with Woody and Bea on camping trips and all the fun memories we made with them and the rest of the group that we called the Beaumont Crew. We came to love them not only as beautiful life long friends but family also. Our prayers will always be with you Bea and your family. All our love, Arthur and Ann Busby

January 9 at 2:57 PM



Arthur B. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Woodrow.



January 9 at 2:40 PM



Michael Montgomery sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Nero family.



January 9 at 11:01 AM



Melanie Brown posted:

Had a great talk with Mr. Woody on December 9th after his brother in law's memorial; didn't have a clue that would be my last conversation with him. He was a great man. He and his beautiful wife Sis. Barbara Nero would visit our church quite often. I am praying for Sis. Nero and the family.

January 9 at 10:30 AM



Timothy Nero posted:

This man look just like my Father which is Uncle Woody's younger brother. I didn't know you very well Uncle Woody but you were my father's older brother. So I'm sure you shares a lot of the same qualities. I can see it hurt my father when you passed away. So you're missed because I see my father wishes you had more time. It actually made me sad to see my father hurt because my father in my eyes is still SUPERMAN! Farewell Uncle Woody. It was great to meet and know you.

January 9 at 9:54 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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