



Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.

April 19, 1941 - November 18, 2021

Porter Milton Castleman, Jr., was born in Shelbyville, Tennessee, on April 19, 1941, to Porter Castleman, Sr., and Grace Mullins Castleman. Porter departed this life on Thursday, November 18, 2021.

Porter possessed a great sense of responsibility and began working to support his family at an early age. In 1959, he graduated from Bedford County Training School. During high school, he met Marie Cortner and they married on December 14, 1962. They were preparing to celebrate 59 years of marriage this year. From this union, they had two children: Michelle and Porter III.

Porter was employed by Goggin Truck Line in Shelbyville, Tennessee, for over 26 years where he worked the dock and was a local truck driver. At the time he retired, he worked for Consolidated Freightways in Nashville, Tennessee.

Porter was a lifelong member of Woodfork Chapel AME Church, attending church there as a child with his parents and siblings. He held many offices over the years, including Superintendent of Sunday School, President of the Trustee Board, Usher Board, and Layman's organization. He could be counted on to drive the church van and worked hard to ensure the facility and the grounds were always well maintained. Additionally, Porter recently served on the Board of Directors and Trustees for Rosenwald Recreation

Community Center and on the Bedford County Board of Equalization.

His sense of humor and love for a good discussion on current events will be missed by so many, especially his cousin, O'Neal Buchanan, and dear friend, Tom McLean, both of whom he considered brothers.

Porter is survived by his loving wife, Marie, two children, Michelle Castleman of Marietta, GA, and Porter (Brenda) Castleman of Christiana, TN; his grandchildren, Danielle (Charles) DeSarzant, Amber Castleman, and Alexis Castleman; and great-grandchildren, Gabrielle DeSarzant and Michael DeSarzant; his brother Claude Castleman, Boston, MA, and sister Stella Castleman, Philadelphia, PA; a niece and five nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his sisters Margaret Lumsden and Louise Collins, and by his brother Rainey Castleman.

Funeral services will be 11:00 A.M. Saturday, November 27, 2021, at First United Methodist Church with burial to follow at Willow Mount Cemetery.

Visitation will be one hour prior to the service.

Feldhaus Memorial Chapel is assisting the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
122 Public Square N
Shelbyville, TN 37160-3934
(931) 684-2535

church service

NOV 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Jill J. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr..*



Jill J. - November 30, 2021 at 01:00 PM



“ *Elsie Trice lit a candle in memory of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.*



Elsie Trice - November 28, 2021 at 07:27 AM



“ *"Your Heart" Cardinal Memorial Marker was purchased for the family of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr..*



November 27, 2021 at 02:58 PM



“ *Sending our prayers and condolences to the family.*

Dale and Jackie Kimbro - November 27, 2021 at 08:17 AM

HM

“ *Condolences to Porter’s family. He was a great friend to me and my family. Always open and friendly, his life was well lived and always an inspiration to me.*
Hays McLean

Hays McLean - November 26, 2021 at 02:29 PM

CC

“ *So sorry to hear of the death of Porter. I grew up around him and as a little girl, I was in their household most every day. I will miss my double first cousin, his mother and my mother were sisters and his father and my father were brothers. Rest easy, Porter and be strong family. My heart felt sympathy to you all.* *Clara L. Castleman*

Clara Castleman - November 26, 2021 at 10:42 AM

AC

“ *Aunt Cheryl & Charles, Calyn & Chandler purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr..*



Aunt Cheryl & Charles, Calyn & Chandler - November 26, 2021 at 10:37 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr..*



November 24, 2021 at 06:25 PM

JM

“ *Jhernee', Ty, & Margaret purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr..*



Jhernee', Ty, & Margaret - November 23, 2021 at 08:12 PM

YF

“ *Your CGC Family! purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr..*



Your CGC Family! - November 23, 2021 at 08:01 PM

MY

“ *Martha Young lit a candle in memory of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.*



Martha Young - November 23, 2021 at 08:01 PM

MF

“ *Michelle's Cox Communications Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr..*



Michelle's Cox Communications Family - November 23, 2021 at 10:00 AM



“ So sorry on your loss, the family is in my thoughts and prayers!



James Harden - November 23, 2021 at 07:42 AM

KH

“ Kimberly Harvey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.



Kimberly Harvey - November 22, 2021 at 02:51 PM

SC

“ Sharon Hill Collier lit a candle in memory of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.



Sharon Hill Collier - November 21, 2021 at 08:34 PM

VR

“ Virginia Lucille Rucker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.



Virginia Lucille Rucker - November 21, 2021 at 06:55 PM

RR

“ *Rita Rippy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.*



Rita Rippy - November 21, 2021 at 05:53 PM

BA

“ *Betty Buckingham And lit a candle in memory of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.*



Betty Buckingham and - November 21, 2021 at 04:55 PM

CC

“ *Craig Castleman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.*



Craig Castleman - November 20, 2021 at 11:13 PM

CC

I would to send my condolences on behalf of myself, April and our family here in San Antonio, TX. God bless.

Craig Castleman - November 20, 2021 at 11:15 PM

JH

“ *My sincerest condolences to the Family. Know that you remain in our thoughts and our hearts during these most difficult times. Stay Safe. Keep the Faith.*



Jeffrey "Jay" Hathaway - November 20, 2021 at 10:13 PM

RB

“ *Ray Beatty lit a candle in memory of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.*



Ray Beatty - November 20, 2021 at 09:54 AM

BW

“ *Brenda Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.*



Brenda Wilson - November 20, 2021 at 09:12 AM

BD

“ *Marie please know that I am sharing in your grief as we see another loved one depart trust in the Lord keeping you in my prayers and thoughts*

Barbara Draine - November 20, 2021 at 08:40 AM

JD

“Joyce Goodman Dawson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.



Joyce Goodman Dawson - November 19, 2021 at 10:10 PM

CG

“Carolyn Goodman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.



Carolyn Goodman - November 19, 2021 at 10:07 PM

JR

“James Rippy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.



James Rippy - November 19, 2021 at 09:15 PM



“Nancy Buchanan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.



Nancy Buchanan - November 19, 2021 at 07:51 PM

SC

“ *Sylvia Castleman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Porter Milton Castleman Jr.*



Sylvia Castleman - November 19, 2021 at 04:23 PM