

OBITUARY
Isom McKeown, Jr.
BORN: February 20, 1936
DIED: April 3, 2011
RESIDENCE: Denver, CO

Age, 75, passed away April 3, 2011 in Denver, Colorado. He is survived by wife Carolyn, son Kyle, daughters Kim Chipman (Dave), Dionne, Camille Oliver (Tim), and two grandchildren, Kaleia and Lauryn Chipman. He worked as a Mechanic for Frontier and Continental Airlines for 30 years. He served as an Elder in the Monaco Parkway Congregation for several years. Services handled by Jehovah's Witnesses, 10081 E. 25th Ave. Aurora, CO. on April 8, at 3p.m.

Loving Memories of Isom from his family and friends

"He was My Best Friend, a loving husband and a wonderful provider. We had 43 years together. I will cherish the memories." Wife, Carolyn M. McKeown

"I couldn't ask for anything more. He was My Pop." Son, Kyle McKeown

"One of my fondest memories is when we would put our hands through the mailbox to tell him goodbye when he would go to work at night. He would then shake each of our hands individually to let us know we were loved. He did this night after night." Daughter, Kim (McKeown) Chipman

"He loved to fish and camp, anything outdoors. He loved to dance with his girls, especially if it was to 'It's Alright' by Curtis Mayfield and the Impressions." Daughter, Dionne McKeown

"What I remember most about my Dad was his laugh, and how much he loved to make others laugh; and when he would always say 'Catch You Later' when hanging up the phone or just before he would leave the house." Daughter, Camille (McKeown) Oliver

"I'm forever grateful to my father in law for the wonderful and loving family he helped raise. He himself was indeed loving and kind. I feel very blessed to have his oldest daughter as my loving wife and the mother of my two beautiful girls. Thanks again PopPop for the great man that you were." Son in Law, Dave Chipman

"What I remember most about Pop was our first meeting. He shook my hand with those big giant hands of his and made me feel like a little boy. He smiled and said, 'I'm Brother McKeown. I had no idea I would become his Son in Law, but I knew I wanted to be. I hear so many great things about him. I wish I had more time to get to know him.'" Son In Law, Tim Oliver

"He was like a Son to me. Always ready to help with whatever I needed. He was always just a few minutes away....." Mother In Law, Rosia Elaine Bryant

"Goodnight. I love you Pop Pop." Granddaughter Kaleia Chipman age 6

"He's MY Grandfodder!" Granddaughter Lauryn Chipman age 3

Ike, the oldest of 7 children, took real pride in being the "Big Brother". He always looked after his younger siblings especially the girls. He was a take charge person, instructing and directing the best path to take. He always reported back to mother the things we got into, and sometimes even when the story was not altogether accurate. As a take-charge person, Ike also took an active part in caring for Mother after being widowed and also in her old age he was largely involved in her care. A few years ago when most of the family were here visiting, a young brother stopped by and made the comment "there are 4 Elders over at Bro. McKeown's! There must be a lot of holy spirit over there". We are all seniors now and are still benefiting from his "big brothering".-Mary Spears (Sister)

"I am the female version of him" Josephine Portray (Sister)

"My brother Ike was known as the person that made everyone feel welcome. He was so outgoing, and always willing to help" Bertha Mims (Sister)

"He wore many hats! He gave me my name, my cousins their names, and his other brother Larry McKeown, his name" Larry Haynes, (Brother)

"Jehovah truly blessed our family with Ike. He has been a true Grandfather to Xzavier and Zsuria, and I really appreciated the support he has given me all these years. He is a man of great integrity and our family feels blessed and honored to have been a part of his life." Kathy Phare (Special Daughter)

"PopPop was more than a Grandfather to me.. Growing up I did not see my Dad very often. PopPop took that place in my life. I looked up to him. He was the one who taught me how to fish. We loved our Pop Pop" Xzavier Phare (The Original Grandson)

"Being without a Dad made our relationship more special than ever. He was the perfect Father figure and every moment we had was a memorable one. The best memories were of us going fishing, bringing back a tadpole. Most of the time I

would be in his lap eating onions and cake and laughing! That was the best. Papa is always in my heart! He was the best man alive to me and I am thankful for being in his life, and being the original Honorary granddaughter" Zsuria Phare (Honorary Granddaughter)

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