

In Loving Memory

of



Charles H. Shannon

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1997

VISITATION: 11:00 A.M.

SERVICES: 12:00 NOON

GAMMON MEMORIAL
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
502 NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
PASTOR NORVAL BROWN, OFFICIANT

Obituary

Charles Herman Shannon was born on May 14, 1910 in Hazelhurst, Mississippi. He was the only child of William Shannon and Betty DeMeyers. His father moved the family to Brookhaven when Herman was nine years old. There he received his early education and religious upbringing.

On September 11, 1933 Herman was united in Holy Matrimony to Goldie Mae Smith. That union endured for 64 years. The marriage was blessed with one child.

Herman and Goldie moved from Brookhaven to Chicago, Illinois in 1934 seeking a better life. Herman subsequently found employment as a steel molder with National Malleable Steel Company and retired from there 34 years later.

He joined the Union and later became a member of Local 453 of the United Auto Workers. He advanced within the organization and became a union representative and labor negotiator. He served as grievance committeeman and was voted "Chief Shop Steward" for two extended terms, running from the late 40's up to 1959.

Throughout his life Herman Shannon strived to be "The Good Steward" on and off the job. He conducted his life with dignity and believed in being fair to everyone. He was a devoted family man and acknowledged God as the "Good Master" who guided and sustained his life.

He will be remembered by many for his good nature, his kindness and the sense of pride and integrity in which he carried himself.

He is survived by his wife, Goldie; daughter, Joanne; and twin grandchildren, John Herman Shannon and Anne Renee.