

PERSON OF THE MONTH

LONNIE :(POP'S) FULP

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Lonnie “Pop’s” Fulp

Mae Ella Fulp and Lonnie Fulp
Cyrus Fulp
Ernie Fulp
Teresa Fulp



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Born Lornis Decaster Fulp on December 02, 1940, he is affectionately called “Lonnie” or “Pop’s” by those who love him most. Pop’s grew up on a Beautiful farm in a little town on the outskirts of Winston Salem called Walnut Cove with three sisters. Spend a few hours with Pop’s and he will tell you with vivid details how immaculate his Father kept and ran the farm. The word he uses most is “showpiece”, everything had its place and the property was simply Amazing!



When Pop's was just three years old his family relocated to Midvale Ohio but Pop's would return to Walnut Cove every summer to work the farm and to spend time with his family that stayed behind. Pop's loved growing up on the farm and has a thousand stories about the good times that he and his cousins had getting into plenty of mischief during those hot summer days. Some of the many stories that Pop's shares center around how they broke wild mules, took the wagon into town to pick up supplies, and a story about how his Uncle let him ride a prideful stallion that his Father told him not to get on.

As a youth, Pop's loved to play sports and was named "Mr. Blue Devil" for being the best High School Athlete in the area of Midvale Ohio. Pop's excelled in Baseball, Football, Basketball, and Track while in high school. As an adult, Pop's fell in love with the game of fast pitch softball. He was a talented pitcher and traveled all over the U.S, Canada, and overseas to play the game he loved. Pop's graduated from Midvale High in 1958 and then joined the Air Force where he proudly served our country for twenty-four (24) years. During his tenure in the Air Force, Pop's and his family traveled extensively, moving almost every three years. Here is a list of the places where Pop's was stationed while in the Air Force:

*·Denver Colorado, Tripoli Libya, Alamogordo New Mexico,
Phoenix Arizona, Vietnam, San Bernardino California,
Okinawa Japan, Little Rock Arkansas, Belleville Illinois, Great
Falls Montana, Bedford England, and Lompoc California*



After retiring from the Air Force in 1982, Pop's worked as a Civil Servant at Vandenberg Air Force Base until he decided to move his family back to Midvale Ohio in 1990. Coincidentally, the year 1990 was also the same year that Pop's accepted a call into the ministry. Pop's served as an Assistant Pastor at Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church from 1990 until he retired in 2020.

After joining the Air Force and while being stationed in Denver Colorado, Pop's met Mae Ella Fulp who became the love of his life and the two eventually married in 1959. As a couple, the pair had a total of eight children, six boys and two girls, Cyrus Fulp, Ernie Fulp, Teresa Fulp, Lornis Jr. Fulp, Roger Fulp, Ella Fulp, and Tommie Fulp (the last boy passed away during childbirth). Lonnie and Mae shared many travels and adventures together and were married a total of 60 years. Mae Ella Fulp passed away at their home in Midvale Ohio on May 16, 2020.





In October of 2020, Pop's decided to move to Charlotte, North Carolina, where he lives today. Since arriving, Pop's has joined the York Seventh-Day Adventist Church where he says he is learning a lot and the people are very loving! We are sooo Blessed to have Pop's as a part of our church family! Please take some time and get to know Pop's on a deeper level. He loves to talk and share stories!

