

**HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

L. D. Denning  
L. D. Denning, Jr.  
Lorenzo Denning

Dexter Spencer  
Michael Spencer  
Willie Spencer

**ACTIVE PALLBEARERS**

Joe Deason  
Charles Mark  
Elmer Mark

Lutus Mark  
Vernon Mark  
Kent Spencer

Melvin Spencer

**FLOWER BEARERS**

Missionary Society of the Ligon Chapel C.M.E. Church

**"FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND"**

*One night I had a dream. I was walking along the beach with the Lord, and across the skies flashed scenes from my life. In each scene, I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand. One was mine, and one was the Lord's. When the last scene of my life appeared before me, I looked back at the footprints in the sand, and to my surprise, I noticed that many times along the path of my life there was only one set of footprints. And I noticed that it was at the lowest and saddest times in my life. I asked the Lord about it; "Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you would walk with me all the way. But I notice that during the most troublesome times in my life there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why you left my side when I needed you most."*

*The Lord said: "My precious child, I never left you during your time of trial. Where you see only one set of footprints, I was carrying you."*

-Printed at the request of Mr. Spencer's daughters  
Reshundolyn and Gwendolyn

**TIMS FUNERAL HOME, INC.; DIRECTORS**  
Lufkin, Texas

In your hour of sorrow, you conferred upon us a priceless confidence which we hold to be a sacred trust...

With this trust always in mind, we endeavor to serve and assuage your sorrow.

Dinner for the family and out of town friends will be served in the residence of Mrs. Ida Mae Spencer, immediately following the conclusion of the services today.

**A FAREWELL TRIBUTE**

to

**MR. LONELL SPENCER**

*Sunrise: June 9, 1944 - Sunset: January 18, 1987*



**FUNERAL SERVICE**

**Saturday, January 24, 1987 - 2:30 P.M.**

LIGON CHAPEL C.M.E. CHURCH  
Nigton Community - Apple Springs, Texas

**OFFICIATING CLERGY**

Pastor Robert Alexander - Rev. Griffin - Rev. Branch

*"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course,  
I have kept the faith."*

*II Timothy 4:7*

## Obituary

Birthday: June 9, 1944  
Birthplace: Trinity County, Texas  
Parents: Cal Spencer and Ida Mae Mark Spencer  
Education: 1962 graduate of H. G. Temple High School in Diboll, Texas  
where he played varsity football and basketball  
Affiliations: Ligon Chapel C.M.E. Church in Nigton, Texas  
Played baseball with the Texas Foundry Tigers  
Military Service: U. S. Marine Corps  
Viet Nam Veteran  
Awards; Purple Heart, Memorial Defense Service Medal, Viet Nam  
Service Medal w/2, Viet Nam Campaign Service Medal w/device,  
Combat Action Ribbon, Rifle Sharp Shooter Badge  
Livelihood: Laborer for heavy equipment service companies  
Residence: Nigton Community of Apple Springs, Texas  
Death: Sunday, January 18, 1987 in the V. A. Hospital, Houston, Texas  
Survivors: Mother; Mrs. Ida Mae Spencer of Nigton, Texas  
Daughters: Tammie Gilmore of Lufkin, Texas 1  
Reshundolyn Spencer and Glendolyn Spencer of Dallas, Texas 11  
Brothers; Ray Spencer of Ontario, California; Geno Spencer and  
Troy Spencer of Los Angeles, California; SGM Calvin Spencer, Jr.,  
of Ft. Bliss (El Paso), Texas and Rudolph Spencer of Poolesville,  
Maryland 11111  
Sisters: Mrs. Lillie Marie Duncan, Ms. Vertie Spencer and Ms. 6  
Beverly Spencer of Los Angeles, California; Mrs. Irene Spencer of  
Liberty, Mrs. Hazel Denning of Nigton and Carlene Spencer of  
Lufkin, Texas 11111  
Grandchildren: One  
Former Wife: Mrs. Patsy Spencer of Dallas, Texas  
Aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends: Host



### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of the late Lonell Spencer wishes to express our deepest gratitude to everyone for your prayers, cards, food, flowers and whatever was done to console us during our time of bereavement. We suffered a great loss but we must hold to God's unchanging hand because He'll never let us down!

## Order of Service

Prelude ..... Instrumental Music  
Processional ..... Funeral Directors in Charge  
(Clergy, Pallbearers, Family and Friends)  
(Instrumental Music Played)  
"He's Sweet I Know" ..... Ligon Chapel Choir  
Prayer ..... Rev. Griffin  
Old Testament Scripture ..... Rev. Branch  
New Testament Scripture ..... Pastor Alexander or his appointee  
Lonell's Favorite Song ..... Appointee  
Resolutions ..... Sis. Elaine Scott and others  
Acknowledgement ..... Sis. Ruthie Murphy  
Obituary ..... (Instrumental Music Played) ..... Read Silently  
Eulogy ..... Pastor Robert Alexander  
Parting View ..... Funeral Directors in Charge  
(Clergy, Pallbearers, Friends and Family)  
(Instrumental Music Played)  
Recessional ..... Funeral Directors in Charge  
(Clergy, Pallbearers, Body of the Deceased, Family and Friends)  
(Instrumental Music Played)  
Postlude ..... Instrumental Music

### INTERMENT

Nigton Memorial Park  
Nigton Community - Apple Springs, Texas

Arrangements entrusted & Services Professional directed by  
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Licensed Funeral Directors in Attendance  
Mrs. Pat Lewis - Lady Attendant

J. R. Shankle, Kenneth Murphy, Kenneth Earl Williams, Curtis Runnels, Hubbard D. Johnson,  
Gregory H. Smith, George Barnes, Sr. and George Harris, Jr.  
Assistants to the Funeral Directors