



Cornelius Hage Otto Jr.

August 27, 1920 - March 20, 2017

Mr. Cornelius Hage Otto, Jr., age 96, of Carthage, TN, passed away on Monday, March 20, 2017.

Mr. Otto was born August 27, 1920 in Patterson, NY, the son of the late Cornelius Hage Otto, Sr. and Maud Wright. Mr. Otto married Marion Haigh on June 21, 1947 in Brewster, NY. He served his country in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II, enlisting in September of 1942 in Albany, NY, and receiving an honorable discharge in September of 1946. While in the Marines, Mr. Otto obtained rank of Private First Class and served in the Pacific Ocean at the Solomon Islands and in the Occupation of China among various others. Mr. Otto attended Cornell University. He worked for IBM as a technician building circuit boards for twenty-five years until his retirement. He later worked for Food Lion for another twenty years.

Mr. Otto had a beautiful tenor voice and participated in the IBM Glee Club and at functions in Jensen's, where he lived in South Carolina. He was an avid tennis player, and enjoyed this activity well into his senior years. Mr. Otto played softball with the IBM Teams and was an excellent bowler. He was a Baptist, growing up the son of a Baptist Minister.

Mr. Otto is survived by his Wife of 69 years; Marion Haigh Otto of Carthage, TN. Children; Cornelius Otto of Beverly, MA, Sharon and husband Jeff Gunn

of Carthage, TN, and Darryl and wife Patty Otto of Brevard, NC. Sister; Gen (George) Spoerer of Crossville, TN.

Funeral Services for Mr. Otto are scheduled to be conducted from the Carthage Chapel of Bass Funeral Homes on Thursday, March 23, 2017 at 12 Noon with Rev. John Wesley Vaughan officiating. Interment with Military Honors will follow in the Smith County Memorial Gardens.

Visitation with the Otto family will be held at the Carthage Chapel of Bass Funeral Homes on Thursday 10AM until service time at 12 Noon.

The Otto Family requests donations be made to Gentiva Hospice.

BASS FUNERAL HOME, CARTHAGE CHAPEL, DIRECTORS.

Cemetery Details

Smith County Memorial Gardens

618 College Ave
Carthage, TN 38563

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 23. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Carthage Chapel of Bass Funeral Home
807 N Main Street
Carthage, TN 37030
(615) 735-1212
kurtbass@bassfh.com
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Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Sharon I am saddened to hear about Mr. Otto. Waterboy we liked to call him. He was always such a joy every time he walked through the door. He will be greatly missed. Take care of Mrs. Marion. I just found out he had went home and so sorry I did not get to come by. God Bless You and all the rest of the Family. If I can do anything please let me know.

Lisa Hiett

Lisa Hiett - March 23, 2017 at 04:10 PM

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“ Aunt Marion, Corney, Sharon, Jeff, Darryl & Patty,
Our deepest sympathy goes out to all of you on the loss of your Husband, Father, Father-in-law, Uncle & Dear Friend to so many. Uncle Corney was a very "special" fun loving person with a GREAT sense of humor. He lived life to the fullest. He will be sadly missed but lovingly remembered.

*With our deepest sympathy & love,
Tammy, Larry, Lauren, Lindsey & Uncle Jimmy*

Tamara K Post - March 23, 2017 at 12:06 PM



“ Dear Darren,
I never met your Dad, but I felt like I knew him from all your stories you shared about your times with him. Please let your Mom know that my thoughts and prayers are with her at this time. I am glad you are there with your Mom at this difficult time.
I Love you like a Brother Darren and I will always be your friend. Tell Mom I will write to her soon.
Love, Judy Pickard, 66 Herrick Street, Apt 4, Beverly, Ma 01915

Judith Pickard - March 22, 2017 at 06:07 PM



“ In one of Mr. Otto's visits he commented to me one day: I never buy green bananas. I asked why, don't you like green bananas and he answered: I am afraid I won't live long enough for them to ripen and laughed the biggest. He was always a favorite when he visited. He truly will be missed. Mike Shoulders

Mike Shoulders - March 21, 2017 at 06:20 PM