



## Cleatus Franklin Nanney

April 27, 1927 - May 2, 2010

Cleatus Franklin Nanney, age 83, a resident of Sterling Heights since 1981, died May 2, 2010 at William Beaumont Hospital in Troy. He was born April 27, 1927 in Murray, KY. Mr. Nanney was a World War II U.S. Army veteran. He worked for Chrysler Automotive for 32 years. He loved country music and was declared a professor of it. He is survived by his wife, Nita J. Allen, whom he married July 24, 1950 in Mississippi; children, Doyle F. Sharon Nanney of Clinton Township and Kimberly Bobbie Nanney-Parris of Lapeer; six grandchildren; and four great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Minnie Nanney; and sister, Pearline McPherson. The visitation will be held Wednesday 5-9 p.m. at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W Eleven Mile Road 4 blks. E of Woodward, Royal Oak. The service will be Thursday 1 p.m. at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, with the Rev. Dale Hunter officiating. Memorials to the charity of the donor's choice appreciated. Share your memories at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ *First of all, I want to apologize to Cleatus' family. We have had some flooding here in Middle Tennessee, and I just got my voicemail asking me to call his home today. I will do that, but I wanted to post my thoughts here for the family as well. I want to echo what Billy Duncan said. Cleatus kept me awake many a night at the Interstate Radio Network, and I thought a lot of him. To say he loved Country Music was an understatement. He was a good friend! Chuck Dauphin Centerville, TN*

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**Chuck Dauphin** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Cleatus was the type of friend that only comes along a few times in someone's life... a stand-up and straight talking man who, if he liked ya, there probably wasn't anything he wouldn't do for you. He loved his family, friends, and of course, Country music and took pride in his vast knowledge of the genre. And when it came to the history of country music, he truly knew it all!! I think, truth be told, Cleatus wouldn't have minded it a bit if his life would have taken him down the path of Country music stardom and right into the Country Music Hall of Fame like so many of his beloved artists before him. I'll really miss our late night talks, Mr. C! Love, Billy Duncan Former Country Music DJ for WSIX-FM, Nashville and XM Satellite Radio - the Dave Nemo show*

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**Billy** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM