



CELEBRATING THE LIFE
OF

Johnnie Williams, Jr.

Sunrise: September 26, 1940 - Sunset: February 21, 2017



Service:

Thursday, March 2, 2017 - 11:00 am

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE
1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey
Rev. Gerard Hart, Officiating
Mr. Emory Lee, Organist



Obituary

Johnnie Williams Jr. was born on September 26, 1940 in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida to the late Johnnie Williams Sr. and Katie Green.

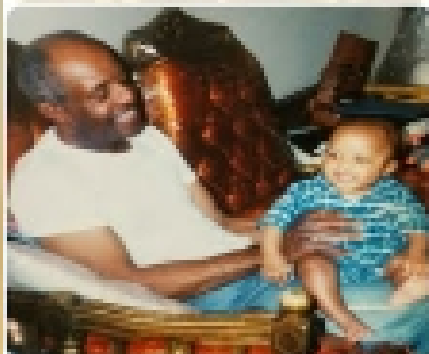
At an early age Johnnie relocated to Midville, Ga where he attended Midville Middle School and Waynesboro High and Industrial School. He graduated from Waynesboro High and Industrial School in 1959, and it was there he met the love of his life Violet Tindal.

Johnnie and Violet married in 1961 and relocated to Newark, NJ. To this union, four sons were born; Barrian, Daryl, Derrick and Xavier.

Johnnie was a professional tractor trailer driver, having driven over 40 years until his recent retirement. He became an owner-operator and relocated his business to Georgia, where he drove many years long distance. He was also a jazz saxophonist, performing with several jazz bands. Johnnie was hardworking and a great provider for his family. Those who knew Johnnie, knew that he had a great sense of humor and loved talking about trucks and cars. Johnnie was great with directions, you could always ask him how to get somewhere. He loved gardening, growing wonderful vegetables, his favorites being collard greens and tomatoes.

Johnnie was preceded in death by Barrian and Derrick and two sisters, Louise and Jealatta.

Johnnie leaves to mourn his passing, a beloved and devoted wife of 55 years, Violet, two sons, Daryl of Newark, NJ and Xavier (Mariella) of Woodbridge, NJ, a sister Ruth Murray of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, a step-mother Onzlee Williams of Waynesboro, GA, three grandchildren Miles Williams, Ziara Albritton and Brandon Matthewson, and a sister in law Janette Tindal of Waynesboro, GA. and many nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of friends.





Order of Service

Processional

Scripture Readings

Old Testament: Psalm 23 Mother Clellie Higgins

New Testament: John 14: 1-6 Sister Vergie Jenkins

Prayer of Comfort Evangelist Gloria McCathern

Musical Selection Deacon Hadiyah Coleman

Remarks(Keep to a 3 minute minimum please)

Resolutions

Acknowledgements and Reading of Obituary Joy Brinson

Musical Selection Deacon Hadiyah Coleman

Eulogy Pastor Gerard Hart
Emanuel Missionary Baptist Church, Newark, NJ

Final Viewing

Recessional

INTERMENT
Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey

Repast Emanuel Baptist Missionary Church
Fellowship Hall
230 Chancellor Avenue
Newark, NJ 07112

The Dash

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I read of a man who stood to speak
at the funeral of a friend.
He referred to the dates on the tombstone
from the beginning...to the end.
He noted that first came the date of birth
and spoke the following date with tears,
but he said what mattered most of all
was the dash between those years.
For that dash represents all the time
that they spent alive on earth.
And now only those who loved them
know what that little line is worth.
For it matters not, how much we own,
the cars...the house...the cash.
What matters is how we live and love
and how we spend our dash.
So, think about this long and hard.
Are there things you'd like to change?
For you never know how much time is left
that can still be rearranged.
If we could just slow down enough
to consider what's true and real
and always try to understand
the way other people feel.
And be less quick to anger
and show appreciation more
and love the people in our lives
like we've never loved before.
If we treat each other with respect
and more often wear a smile,
remembering that this special dash
might only last a little while.
So, when your eulogy is being read,
with your life's actions to rehash...
would you be proud of the things they say
about how you spent YOUR dash?



Amazing Grace

God saw the road was getting rough
The hills were hard to climb
He gently closed those loving eyes
And whispered, "Peace Be Thine"

The weary hours, the days of pain,
The sleepless nights are past.
The ever patient, worn out frame
Has found sweet rest at last.

Acknowledgement

The family of **Johnnie Williams Jr.** would like to express their appreciation for all the acts of kindness and support shown during their time of sorrow. We are extremely grateful for all the love, prayers and expressions of sympathy during this time of bereavement. Johnnie has been a blessing as a husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, co-worker and friend. God Bless You All.

The Williams Family.

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