

# <u>Obituary</u>



Willie Richard Dawkins Jr. was born in June 8, 1949 to late Willie Dawkins Sr. and Mrs. Inez Dawkins

Willie Dawkins Jr. was born in Headland, Alabama where he attended Carver Junior High School in Headland, Alabama and graduated from Carver High School in Dothan, Alabama.

Willie Dawkins Jr. came to New Jersey in 1969 and was employed by Colonial Dry Cleaners in

Bernardsville, New Jersey. Willie also attended New York School of Dry Cleaning, Inc. in April 8, 1971 where he received his degree.

Willie will be remembered most for his caring, kind hearted, and putting others first before himself. Now let's not forget to mention bowling. We all know bowling was his passion. You couldn't keep him out the bowling alley. Always wanting to teach someone how to bowl.

On December 26, 2017, the Lord call Willie R. Dawkins Jr. home to reward him and provide him his wings. Willie was preceded in death by companion Frances Pollard 5 brothers and 3 Sisters. Willie is survived by 7 children: Teronn Sommerville of College Park, GA, Jonathan Pollard of Irvington, NJ Rachael Sommerville of Sayreville, NJ, Kimberly Weems of Irvington, NJ, Alvin Pollard of Augusta, GA, Terrance Sommerville of Orange NJ. 5 grandchildren: Janiyah Pollard of Bloomfield, NJ, Khalil Sommerville of N.W. Washington, D.C. Janiyah & Taniyah Sewell-Sommervile of Irvington, NJ and Xavier Harney of Irvington NJ. Willie is now survived by 5 siblings: May Helen Dawkins, Faynette Clark, Larry Dawkins, Dee-Dee Dawkins and Mary Ann Dawkins. He is also survived by a host of nieces, nephews, uncles, aunties & beloved friend and two beloved Sisters-in-law: Lena Dawkins-Adams and Debbie Dawkins.

Willie Richard Dawkins Jr. will be forever loved and missed by all that knew and respected him. We all love you "JR" and will forever miss you!

# Order of Service

### Processional

Solo	Marvin Talbert
	Rev. Jeanna Bailey Minister Jason Williams
Prayer	
Solo	Cee Cee McElveen
Reflections	
Acknowledgments	Alma Bostic
Obituary	Alma Bostic
Eulogy	Rev. Sean Evans
Recessional	

### **INTERMENT**

Evergreen Cemetery Hillside, New Jersey

Repass:
New Light Missionary Baptist Church
255 14th Avenue, Newark, NJ 07103



## I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, yes these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free!

-author unknown

### Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat guietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say. Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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