
“FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND”

ONE NIGHT I DREAMED A DREAM.
AS I WAS WALKING ALONG THE BEACH WITH MY LORD.
ACROSS THE DARK SKY FLASHED SCENES FROM MY LIFE.
FOR EACH SCENE, I NOTICED TWO SETS OF FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND,
ONE BELONGING TO ME AND ONE TO MY LORD.

AFTER THE LAST SCENE OF MY LIFE FLASHED BEFORE ME,
I LOOKED BACK AT THE FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND.
I NOTICED THAT AT MANY TIMES
ALONG THE PATH OF MY LIFE,
ESPECIALLY AT THE VERY LOWEST AND SADDEST TIMES,
THERE WAS ONLY ONE SET OF FOOTPRINTS.

THIS REALLY TROUBLED ME,
SO I ASKED THE LORD ABOUT IT.
"LORD, YOU SAID ONCE I DECIDED TO FOLLOW YOU,
YOU'D WALK WITH ME ALL THE WAY.
BUT I NOTICED THAT DURING THE SADDEST
AND MOST TROUBLESOME TIMES OF MY LIFE,
THERE WAS ONLY ONE SET OF FOOTPRINTS.
I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY,
WHEN I NEEDED YOU THE MOST,
YOU WOULD LEAVE ME."

HE WHISPERED, "MY PRECIOUS CHILD,
I LOVE YOU AND WILL NEVER LEAVE YOU
NEVER, EVER, DURING YOUR TRIALS AND TESTINGS.
WHEN YOU SAW ONLY ONE SET OF FOOTPRINTS,
IT WAS THEN THAT I CARRIED YOU."

PALLBEARERS
DAVID WILLIAMS
JOHNNY WILLIAMS
JOHNNY JOHNSON
MICHAEL WILLIAMS
MYRON WILLIAMS

MY AFTERGLOW
I'D LIKE THE MEMORY OF ME
TO BE A HAPPY ONE,
I'D LIKE TO LEAVE AN AFTERGLOW
OF SMILES WHEN LIFE IS DONE.
I'D LIKE TO LEAVE AN ECHO
WHISPERING SOFTLY DOWN THE WAYS,
OF HAPPY TIMES AND LAUGHING TIMES
AND BRIGHT AND SUNNY DAYS.
I'D LIKE THE TEARS OF THOSE WHO GRIEVE,
TO DRY BEFORE THE SUN OF HAPPY MEMORIES
THAT I LEAVE BEHIND WHEN DAY IS DONE.

EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE
FOR ALL THE KINDNESS YOU HAVE SHOWN,
WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
FOR SYMPATHY IN SORROWING DAYS,
FOR FRIENDSHIPS HEALING TOUCH.
WITH GRATITUDE OUR HEARTS ARE FULL
THOUGH WORDS CANNOT CONVEY
THE TENDER THOUGHTS AND THANKFULNESS
WE HOLD FOR YOU TODAY.
- THE FAMILY OF WILLIE FRANK WILLIAMS

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**A HOMEGOING
CELEBRATION**
REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF OUR BELOVED



Willie
FRANK WILLIAMS

GIVEN BY GOD
JULY 17, 1962

REQUIRED BY GOD
SEPTEMBER 8, 2021

Saturday, October 2, 2021 | 2:00PM
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Willie's LIFE STORY



WILLIE FRANK WILLIAMS WAS BORN ON JULY 17, 1962, IN MIAMI, FLORIDA, AT JACKSON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL. HE WAS THE SIXTH OF NINE KIDS TO THE LATE MS. ROSEBUD WILLIAMS AND MR. BILLIE JAMES WILLIAMS. WHILE GROWING UP IN MIAMI, HE ATTENDED MELROSE ELEMENTARY, BROWNSVILLE JR. HIGH AND MIAMI JACKSON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL. UPON GRADUATION FROM HIGH SCHOOL, MR. WILLIAMS ENLISTED INTO THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE FOR WHICH HE SERVED FOR EIGHT YEARS. AFTER RETURNING HOME, HE ATTENDED UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI, SHORTLY AFTER, HE THEN BEGAN WORKING FOR MIAMI DADE COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM, WHICH HE RETIRED IN 2020.

WILLIE WAS A HARD-WORKING YOUNG MAN WHO ALSO DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO HELPING HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HE REALLY DIDN'T HAVE TIME FOR HIMSELF BECAUSE HIS HEALTH WAS GIVING HIM PROBLEMS AND HE WAS FORCED TO RETIRE FROM A JOB THAT HE LOVED SO MUCH FOR 28 YEARS, AND ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2021, THE LORD CAME AND TOOK HIM ON HOME AND HE GAINED HIS WINGS. HE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY THE LATE BILLY JAMES WILLIAMS, LARRY JAMES GILBERT AND HIS LOVING NIECE, KENYA ROSEBUD HENRY.

WILLIE FRANK LEAVES TO MOURN TWO SISTERS, LORRAINE AND SHARON WILLIAMS, FOUR BROTHERS, MICHAEL (SUZETTE) WILLIAMS, JOHNNY (LISA) WILLIAMS, DAVID (LILLIE) WILLIAMS AND BEN (BETSY) McCRAY, SEVERAL NIECES, NEPHEWS, AUNTS, UNCLES AND A LARGE NUMBER OF COUSINS AND A HOST OF FRIENDS.

Life's Precious Memories -



Order of CELEBRATION



- PROCESSIONAL *SHEKINAH GLORY*..... "YES"
- FINAL GLANCE
- INVOCATION *ELDER KENNETH WASHINGTON*
- SELECTION *MUSICIAN*
- OPENING PRAYER AND REMARKS
- SCRIPTURE READING
OLD TESTAMENT AND NEW TESTAMENT
- DEDICATION "I WON'T COMPLAIN"
LILLIE WILLIAMS, (SISTER-N-LAW)
- REFLECTIONS
(PLEASE LIMIT TO TWO MINUTES)
AS A FRIEND
AS A NEIGHBOR
AS A FAMILY MEMBER *BRENDA WILLIAMS*
- ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS
HALL-FERGUSON-HEWITT MORTUARY STAFF
- SELECTION *MUSICIAN*
- WORDS OF COMFORT *ELDER KENNETH WASHINGTON*
- RECESSIONAL



A Life
WELL LIVED