

Saying Goodbye

*A Dad is a man who is always there,
for his family and his kids, and always showing how much he cares.*

*Indeed that was you, and it's time for you to fly, high.
But, it's so hard for us to say goodbye.*

*84 years on this Earth, now your hard work is done.
We was so blessed to have you, and so sad that your gone.*

*Dedicated to your church, you was a true man of God.
For you are his chosen angel, and we now must say goodbye.*

*There's no doubt about it, you was truly a great man.
And, when God called you home, we know that Mommy quickly grabbed your hand.*

*Everyone will truly miss you, and never forget you here on Earth.
But, we all understand that God needed you first.*

You will never be forgotten, and in our hearts is where you'll be.

*Now, go ahead and fly high, and we will miss you dearly.
So, this is our goodbye Dad, until we see you again.*

*From your loving family, your church family, and from all of your friends.
We love you, and goodbye.*

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Acknowledgement

We, the family of Russell McAlister, pause to express sincere thanks for your expressions of sympathy and many personal services which shall always be remembered in the minds and hearts of each of us. We shall remain forever grateful.

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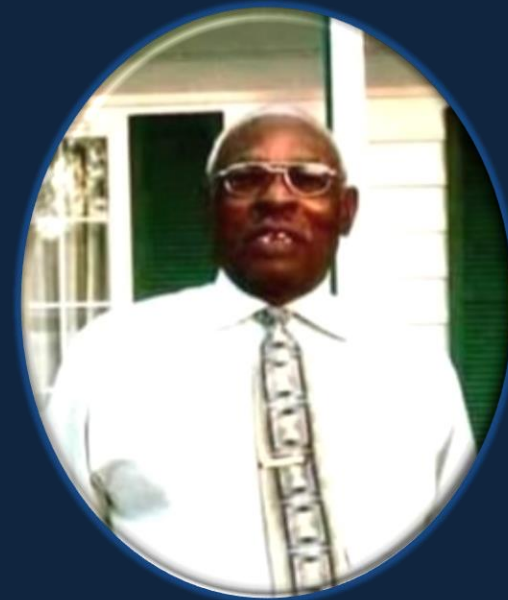
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**In Loving Memory
of**



Russell McAlister

October 28, 1936 ~ January 9, 2021



**January 16, 2021
2:00 PM**

**Belvue Cemetery,
1055 Clarendon-Chadbourn Road
Chadbourn, North Carolina**

Pastor Darryl Hardy, Sr. officiating.

Obituary ~

*"The Lord is my Shepard; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures." Psalm 23:1-2*

Our dear and devoted father, grandfather, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend, Russell McAlister departed this earthly life on January 9, 2021.

Russell was born in Whiteville, North Carolina on October 28, 1936 to the late Alonza and Arletha Frink McAlister. He was preceded in death by five of his children; Eugene, Gaskin Thomas Eugene Jackson, Jerome Jackson, Russell Powell, and Arleta Sherman; one grand, Jazmin Amya Green; three brothers: Alonza, Edward and Author McAlister; one sister, Helen Johnson.

Russell left school to pursue a career in the military. After returning from duty, he later earned his high school diploma in 1957 from Westside High School.

Russell then moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and later was united in holy matrimony to Inell McAlister, who preceded him in death. He then retired from working at the Budd Moto factory and moved back to North Carolina. He became a member at St. John Baptist Church, where he served as the assistant Sunday School Superintendent. Russell was also a trustee and a member of the Laymen League. He also had a heart of gold and was loved by many in the community.

Russell leaves to cherish his loving memories, four children by his late wife Inell McAlister, Inell Richardson (Willie) of Swansea, South Carolina, Cyrus McAlister (Jamie) of Chadbourn, North Carolina, Bryant McAlister (Liz) of Barnwell, South Carolina, April McAlister (Charles) of Jonesboro, Georgia

He also leaves to cherish his loving memories, his additional children, Dallas Davis of Bronx, New York, Richard Powell (Monica) of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Sheena Lewis of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Four sisters-in-law; Hortense McAlister and Ruth McAlister Haywood both of Chadbourn, North Carolina, Beatrice Mitchell of Jersey City, New Jersey and Quinne Hampton of Greensboro, North Carolina; two special friends; Chet "BO" Davis of Whiteville, North Carolina, Adolph Burnis of Fitzgerald, Georgia, two brothers in law James Davis of East Orange, New Jersey, Paul Jesse Washington of Holly Hill, South Carolina, and a host of grands, great grands, great-great-grands, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

~ Order of Service ~



Opening Solo Sister Alice James Bellamy

Scriptures

Old Testament Reverend Andre McAlister

New Testament Reverend Tommy Brown Jr.

Prayer of Comfort Hasan Ibn Muhamad

Remark (2 minutes)..... Family and friends

Solo Deacon Bobby Hardie

Eulogy Pastor Darryl Hardy Sr.

Benediction Pastor Barry Hardy Sr.



Service of Committal and Interment
(With Military Honors)