

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE
FOR



William Arthur Blackwell

Sunrise

March 13, 1940

Sunset

May 24, 2021



SATURDAY, MAY 29, 2021

12:00 NOON

FIRST MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Ozark, Alabama

Reverend C. Artez Jones, officiating

OBITUARY



William Arthur Blackwell a lifelong resident of Ozark, Alabama went to be with his Lord and Savior Monday, May 24, 2021. William was born May 9, 1940 (although his birth certificate stated March 13, 1940) in Rockingham County, North Carolina.

William also known as, "Blackwell" graduated from high school in 1957 and joined the army at a young age. He retired from the military after serving 20 years and 8 months as a Military Policeman. He also retired as a civilian from Fort Rucker after 28 years of service as a Transportation Supervisor. He confessed Christ at an early age and accepted Jesus as his personal savior. Blackwell joined First Missionary Baptist Church in the late 1970s and was a dedicated active member. He was very active in The Easter Star – Pride of Alabama Chapter #60, Euclid Lodge #68 District 5, First Missionary Baptist Church Usher Board, the monthly group birthday luncheon, and he absolutely loved his yearly cruise trips. He loved his son, grandson, and great grandchildren dearly and enjoyed being around family and friends. His hobbies were fishing, riding around in his Cadillac and truck, watching the Lady Eagles – Carroll High Basketball team, and spending lots of time with his great grandchildren, and not to mention he would always, always check on his nieces Sophia and Renia.

William was preceded in death by his mother Lilia Jane Blackwell Wilkerson, brothers Lenward Blackwell, Jonathan Blackwell, Robert Lee Wilkerson, Charles Wilkerson, Richard Wilkerson, and Jasper Wilkerson.

He leaves to cherish his memories his loving son William Devin Blackwell (Ashley) of Montz, LA; grandson Devin DeShaun Blackwell and fiance Alyssa Miller of Ozark, AL, Jazzmine Dozier; great-grandchildren Kiley Janae Blackwell, Alexis Marie Blackwell, Z'JohnTavious Phillips, Za' Riyah Jones, Aalana Walker; sisters Eva Brandon-Fox and Patricia Richardson of Brown Summit, NC, Elsie Hall of Greensboro, NC; brothers Luther Wilkerson and Henry Lewis of Reidsville, NC, Thomas Wilkerson (Doretha) of Greensboro, NC; very special nieces and nephews Sophia (Chris) Jones and Renia (Eddie) Eutsey; god-daughter Katrina Warren; a host of other relatives and friends.

ORDER OF SERVICE

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| Processional | |
| Hymn..... | Music |
| Military Honors..... | Fort Rucker, Alabama |
| Scripture | |
| Old Testament..... | Reverend Titus Cummings |
| New Testament..... | Reverend Hereford Johnson |
| Prayer..... | Reverend David Reddick |
| Resolution and Prayer..... | Eastern Star - Pride of Alabama #60 |
| Resolution..... | Euclid Lodge #68 District 5 |
| Selection..... | Music |
| Expressions | |
| As an Usher..... | Mrs. Bobbi Anderson |
| As a Church Member..... | Mrs. Ada Fairley |
| Reading of the Obituary..... | In Silence |
| Selection..... | Music |
| Eulogy..... | Reverend Artez Jones |
| Prayer of Comfort and Benediction..... | Reverend Leonard Evans |
| Recessional..... | Newman Mortuary, Inc. |



INTERMENT

Lakeview Memorial Place
3600 North Old Henry Blvd.
Greensboro, North Carolina 27405

REPASS

Hoppergrass Restaurant
129 East Avenue North
Ozark, Alabama



PALLBEARERS

Christopher Jones
Euclid Lodge #68 District 5
Michael Jones
Joseph Jones

FLORAL ATTENDANTS

Eastern Star - Pride of Alabama Chapter #60

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family wishes to give special thanks to all for the many expressions of kindness and concern shown during the passing of our loved one. May the Lord bless and keep you safe. God Bless and Thank You!



Services entrusted to:



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