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*Pallbearers
Family*

Acknowledgements

The family of the late Mr. Willie James Morrow wishes to express their heartfelt appreciation for the sympathy and support extended to our family during this time.

♥ *The Family*

Internment

*Springhill AME Zion Cemetery
Northport, Alabama*

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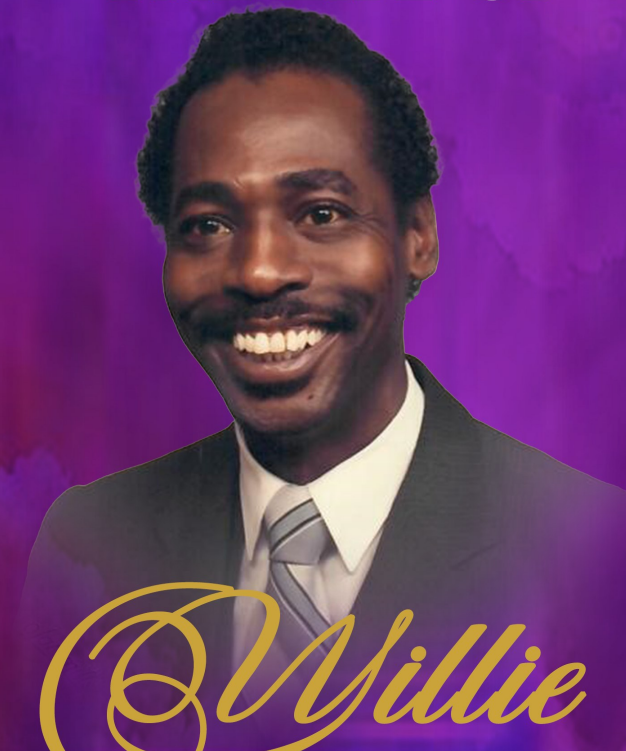
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Celebrating
THE LIFE OF



Willie
JAMES MORROW

JANUARY 16, 1950-AUGUST 6, 2022

Saturday, August 13, 2022 | 1:00PM

Springhill A.M.E. Zion Church
Northport, AL

Rev. Eddie Coats, Pastor

Rev. Patrick Freeman, Officiant

Letting Go

*The angels gathered near your side so very close to you
For they knew the pain and suffering
That you were going through*

*I thought about so many things
As I held tightly to your hand
Oh how I wished that you were strong
And happy once again.*

*But your eyes were looking homeward
To that place beyond the sky
Where Jesus held His outstretched arms
It was time to say goodbye*

*I struggled with my selfish thoughts
For I wanted you to stay
So we could walk and talk again
Like we did....just yesterday*

*But Jesus knew the answer
And I knew you loved him so
So I gave to you life's greatest gift
The gift of letting go.*

Love Always, Your Little Girl, Tiffany

Life and Legacy of BRO. WILLIE JAMES MORROW

When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things. 1 Corinthians 13:11

Willie James Morrow was born on Monday, January 16, 1950 to the late Mr. and Mrs. Willie and Bernice Morrow of Northport, AL. He was the baby brother of five siblings.

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16

As a youth, he joined Springhill AME Zion Church, where he dedicated his heart and soul and remained a life-long member. Over the years he served as a Stewart, Chairman of the Trustee Board, taught Sunday School and filled whatever capacity that was needed.

Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour. Romans 13:7

As he grew, he became "Will". He made history in 1966 as one of the 12 black students who integrated Tuscaloosa County High in Northport, AL (previously, an all white school). He arrived on campus escorted by the FBI, state troopers, news media and helicopters flying. He was the only black senior in his class. In addition to being the first and "only" black student, he played sports, basketball, in the previously all-white Tuscaloosa County School System.

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*A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted.
Ecclesiastes 3:2*

This earthly book of life closed on Saturday, August 6, 2022. Will was spiritually reunited with his parents and older brother, John Henry Morrow.

"I am my best when I'm my father's daughter"
He leaves the love of his life to cherish his memories, his "only" child, his daughter, Tiffany Brinay Morrow, his grandson, Keilen Dewayne Bankhead and his granddaughter Kori Brinay Johnson.

"A time for peace and a time to say goodbye"
Cherishing his memories in their hearts forever is his two loving brothers, Larry Morrow and Jimmy (Linda) Morrow, his loving sister, Lula Cargill, all of Georgia. He also leaves countless nephews, nieces, cousins, friends and Fraternity brothers.

*Will's spirit, his character and his significance is his legacy. For all those who knew him and loved him.
He would say "Remember me in your hearts
and I will never go."*

Prelude
Robin Tiggs

Processional of Family

Hymn

Invocation
Rev. Eddie Coats
Springhill AME Zion Church

Reading of the Holy Scriptures
Old Testament
Rev. Eddie Coats

New Testament
Rev. Dr. Jeffery Cammon
Presiding Elder Tuscaloosa
and Bessemer District

Prayer
Rev. Joseph Tolbert
McCalla A.M.E. Zion
Bessemer, AL

Solo

Reflections
(two minutes, please)

Solo

Eulogy
Rev. Patrick Freeman
St. Peter's A.M.E. Zion,
Tuscaloosa, AL

Recessional