#### 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 his call, I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day, to laugh, to love, to work, to play.

Tasks left undone must stay that way, I've found that peace at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void, then fill it with remembered joy.

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Ah yes, and 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.

## Acknowledgements

For giving us courage, for lending us hope, and for your untiring thoughtfulness at the demise of our loved one, we acknowledge and express our appreciation. Each act of concern was of great comfort to us. We thank you for individually and collectively for every gesture shown in our behalf. Your Christian compassion helped to accept and understand the will of God. May God continue to richly bless each of

~ The Family ~

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## The Obituary

Waddell McCollum, son of the late Mr. Freddie McCollum, Sr. and the late Ms. Annie Bell Dupree McCollum, was born April 16, 1949 in Hoke County, North Carolina. He was educated in the Public Schools of Hoke County. At an early age he confessed Christ as his personal Savior and joined Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church, where he remained a member until his death.

Waddell worked at WestPoint Stevens in Wagram, North Carolina and retired after more than 40 years. He proudly served his county as a volunteer fireman until his health failed.

Waddell was preceded in death by 4 brothers: Leroy McCollum, Acie Stephens, O'Neil McCollum, Freddie McCollum, Jr. and one sister, Willie Mae Townsend.

Waddell leaves to cherish his memory: his loving wife, Lena Lewis McCollum; step-son, Robert Lewis; four sisters: Louise Edwards and Olivia Daniels of Raeford, NC; Mildred McCollum of Washington, DC; and Vera Cameron of Temple Hills, MD. Two brothers-in-law: Lonnie Black, Ronnie Foxworth (Brenda) of Red Springs, NC and sisters-in-law: Betty McLean of Red Springs, NC and Cynthia Coleman of Fayetteville, NC. He also leaves a loving legacy of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

#### ~ Memories of Our Brother Waddell ~

How well do we remember, all the special times we had. As we were raised side by side, sharing good times and some bad. Sometimes we would disagree, but always made up in the end. But as we grew to be adults, we became the best of friends. Then you heard the voice of Jesus gently calling from up high, He was holding out His loving arms, but we didn't get to say "goodbye." So we said, "See you later," dear brother, wait for me. In the beauty of God's heaven, where the best is yet to be.

Love your sisters, Louise, Peggy, Vera, and Olivia

## The Order of Service

Reverend J. W. Gorham, Presiding

# Prelude..... Musicians Musical Selection...... Reverend Lance A. Hair The Scripture Readings: ...... Reverend Sharon Ray Old Testament..... New Testament..... Reverend Chris Edmonds Prayer of Comfort.... Elder Carl Core Musical Selection..... Pastor Stephanie McArthur Acknowledgements/Obituary..... Ms. Shearlie McBryde Reflections of Love..... (Please limit to 2 minutes) Musical Selection...... Pastor Stephanie McArthur Eulogy...... Reverend J. W. Gorham Recessional....

He will always be remembered.

His memory will live on in the hearts of those who loved him.



Interment
Community Rest Cemetery
Red Springs, NC