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EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE

The family of the late *Franklin D. McRae* is eternally grateful for the many expressions of sympathy that has been shown to our family during this difficult time.

May God's richest blessings with you now and forever for all you have done for this family.

Letter From Heaven

When tomorrow starts without me,
And I'm not here to see,
If the sun should rise and find your eyes,
Filled with tears for me.
I wish so much you wouldn't cry,
The way you did today.
While thinking of the many things
We didn't get to say.
I know how much you love me,
As much as I love you.
And each time you think of me,
I know you'll miss me too.
When tomorrow starts without me,
Don't think we're far apart,
For every time you think of me,
I'm right there in your heart.



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Home Going Celebration IN LOVING MEMORY Of

Mr. Franklin D. McRae



Sunrise

July 27, 1939

Sunset

August 6, 2017

Friday, August 12, 2017 • 12:00 PM

**WALL'S CHAPEL
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

5450 Laurinburg Road • Raeford, NC

Rev. Lucretta B. Toney, Pastor

ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL

GREETINGS

OPENING SELECTION..... *"I Will Trust In The Lord"*
Page 14, Song of Zion

SCRIPTURES READING

Old Testament.....Psalm 27
New Testament2 Timothy 4: 1-8

PRAYER OF COMFORT

REMARKS Please limit to 3 minutes

SOLO *"It Is Well With My Soul"*, Page 20
Song of Zion - Sis. Gloria McLaughlin

OBITUARY AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

SELECTION *"Glorify Thy Name"*

EULOGYRev. Lucretta B. Toney

CLOSING SELECTION *"I Know Who Holds Tomorrow"*, Page 29, Song of Zion

RECESSIONAL



INTERMENT

MCLAUCHLIN CHAPEL CHURCH CEMETERY
Raeford, North Carolina

THE OBITUARY

Mr. Franklin D. McRae was born on July 27, 1939 to the late Grady McRae, Sr. and Easter A. Floyd McRae. He transitioned from this life suddenly on August 6, 2017.

Mr. McRae attended Upchurch High School in Raeford, NC in 1958. Afterwards, he moved to Brooklyn, NY and shared quarters with his brother, Samuel McRae, while working for The Topps Company, Inc.

Mr. McRae joined Wall's Chapel Methodist Church at an early age. With his parent's guidance, that's where he learned to lean and depend on God. He was a member there until he moved away. Even after moving, he never forgot about his home church. After the death of his mother and father, he donated the Songs of Zion songs books to the church in memory of Grady and Easter McRae. They are still being used today.

He served in the United States Army as a Color Guard in Colorado Springs, CO from 1964 until 1966. During that time, he proudly performed as the preferred driver for the Fort's General. He also jump started his entrepreneurial endeavors, issuing personal loans to his fellow service people which enabled them to make ends meet until month's end. When his military service concluded, Mr. McRae moved to New Castle, DE and worked as a dump truck driver, and he later began driving tractor trailers. This led him to build his own business, F. D. McRae Trucking Company in the early 1970s. In 2011, nearly fifty years later, Mr. McRae and F. D. McRae Trucking, Inc. retired. Today, Mr. McRae's legacy lives on within Give A Chance Trucking, currently owned and operated by his eldest son, Franklin "Frankie" D. McRae.

In addition to spending time with his family, Mr. McRae spent his most joyous moments driving around

New Castle, DE in his pickup truck. He also enjoyed traveling to North Carolina to spend time with his siblings and their children. Mr. McRae's grandchildren fondest moments were traveling to North Carolina with him and listening to Sam Cooke's greatest hits on cassette throughout the journey, during which they would join in with their "PopPop" singing the lyrics to "A Change Gonna Come", "Chain Gang", "Cha-Cha" and many more.

Mr. Franklin D. McRae married Ms. Lorraine Jackson and to this union, three children were born.

Mr. McRae leaves to cherish his loving memory: three children, Jodie L. Bernard of Marietta, GA, Franklin "Frankie" D. McRae (Beverly) and Eric L. McRae, both of New Castle, DE; eleven grandchildren, Ebony Barnard, Ashanti Barnard, Warren Sparks (Camilla), Franklin Barnard, Christian Barnard (Chimère), Veronica Barnard, Danesha McRae, Markel Samuels, Jawon McRae, Erica McRae and Alexander McRae; nine great grandchildren; three brothers, Grady McRae, Jr. (Grace) of Kernesville, NC, Arlington McRae (Pauline) of the Woodlands, Conroe, TX and Lloyd McRae (Barbara) of Charlotte, NC; five sisters, Sarah Pope (William), Alberta Quick (William), Carrie Parker (James Doneghy) all of Charlotte, NC, Glenda McCall (Marvin), Patricia Donaldson (Henry) both of Raeford, NC; two aunts, Sallie Sims and Texieanner McRae; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

*I'm sending a dove to heaven with a parcel on its wings,
Be careful when you open it, it's full of beautiful things.
Inside are a million kisses wrapped up in a million hugs,
To say how much I miss you and to send you all my love.*

*I hold you close within my heart and there you will remain,
To walk with me throughout my life
Until I see you again.*