FLORAL BEARERS

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PALL BEARERS

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

We are grateful to all of you who have helped to share with us in this time of sorrow. Words can never express our deep sense of gratitude for your words of assurance and condolences.

YOU CAN...

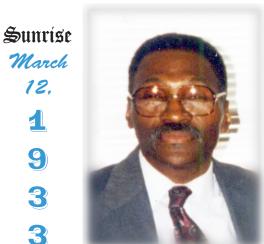
You can shed tears that he is gone, Or you can smile because he lived. You can close your eyes, And pray that he will come back, Or you can open your eyes And see all that he has left. Your heart can be empty Because you can't see him, Or you can be full of the love that you shared. You can turn your back on tomorrow, And live yesterday, Or you can be happy for tomorrow, Because of yesterday. You can remember him and only that he is gone, Or you can cherish his memory and let it live on. You can cry and close your mind, Be empty, and turn your back, *Or you can do what he would want:* SMILE, OPEN YOUR EYES, LOVE AND GO ON.

~ Author Unknown~



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Celebrating The Life of Willie Herman MCNEILL



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Tuesday, April 30, 2019 • 4:00 PM

McLauchlin Chapel AME Zion Church

Raeford, North Carolina

Rev. Dr. James Lilly, Pastor

ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL Minister and Family
SELECTION Choir
SCRIPTURES READING Old TestamentElder Levern Walker New TestamentElder James Leach
PRAYER OF COMFORTRev. Dr. Berry O. Shoffner
SELECTION Choir
REMARKS Cleo Bratcher
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Mrs. Deborah Purcell
SOLO Elder David Purcell



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Memories are one thing
Death cannot steal;
Death leaves a heartache
Only time can heal.
Some may forget him,
Now that he is gone,
But we will remember,
No matter how long.

The Family

THE OBITUARY

Willie Herman McNeill was born on March 12, 1933 in Hoke County, North Carolina. He entered eternity on April 24, 2019 at Moore Regional Hospital in Pinehurst, NC. Thank God for his longevity!

Herman, as he was called by family and friends, received his formal education from Upchurch School. His early employment included farming. He moved to Queens, NY and worked there before returning to Hoke County where jobs he held included a stint with Hoke County Schools. Fishing was among his favorite pastimes. Helping others, especially those in need of transportation, well described WILLIE HERMAN McNEILL.

He joined McLauchlin Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church under the leadership of Reverend J. C. Davis who recommended HERMAN as a trustee. He served faithfully in that position until his health failed. He was also a member of the Masonic Lodge.

Preceding **HERMAN** in death were his father, Daniel (Danny) McNeill; his mother, Pearlie Buie McNeill; his wife, Marjorie Young McNeill and his daughter, Jacqueline Simpson. **HERMAN** also witnessed the death of his grandparents, all of his aunts and uncles, many cousins and special friends.

HERMAN will be remembered by many for his quiet demeanor, slow smile and concern for others. His memory will be forever cherished by Gloria Buie, Elvis Buie, other relatives and special friends.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;...

~ Psalms 23: 4