We mourn a father with a heart of gold A father who's laughter made the room brighter An undefeated champion of limitless love A father who put family first Who supported everyone's dreams and spoke positive affirmations. Who was happy as long as everyone else was happy. *Grief is the price of love and our grief will live as long as we do...* Our tears have taught us the meaning of "April showers" Yet, as we mourn MAY WE CELEBRATE HIS LIFE! May we envision his joy and make it our own. May we not live in sorrow as he chose not to do. His smile will forever occupy a cherished place in our hearts. His voice will linger long in our memory His special place in our lives will never be filled No one & nothing can replace a father with a heart of gold A heart golden and strong like the belt of a champion. May the peace of God comfort our mourning hearts Until we reunite with our beloved father. (Revelation 21:3,4)

Love your Daughter ~ Ariel Brady



Pad, Pad, Pad

I already miss you
You were and always will be our biggest motivator
Dad, Dad, Dad,

We love you to the moon and back. You filled our lives with laughter and joy.

Dad, Dad, Dad,

We will also miss you big bright smile, you touch use so much Dad. Dad. Dad.

What will life be without you on the football field, basketball court and soccer field.

Cheering us on saying go Jayden, go Justiyn!

Dad Dad Dad.

You touch our life with all those wrestling men, and we know all their names.

Dad, Dad, Dad,

Most of all we will miss praying for your health and strength.

Love — Ja'Brilyn, Jayden, and Justyn

Floral Bearers Friends of the Family

Pall Bearers

C.A. Johnson High School Class of 1988 United States Army Battle Buddies



Acknowledgment

The family of the late Willie Lee Dunbar wishes to express sincere appreciation and gratitude for all acts of kindness shown during the passing of our loved one. Your tangible gifts, flowers card, thoughts and prayers have given us strength and encouragement.

May God bless and keep each of you as we travel the roads of life.

United States Army Honor Guard



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In Loving Memory

Sgt. Willie Lee Dunbar



Saturday, April 24, 2021 • 2:00 PM

R.L. Douglas Cape Fear Conference "B" Free Will Baptist Headquarters

Raeford, North Carolina

Elder Bernard Hamilton, Sr., Pastor

Order of Service

PRESIDING.....Rev Quinton Thomas PROCESSIONAL Clergy & Family OPENING SELECTION......Kinyan Marsh **SCRIPTURES READING** Old Testament......Pastor Danny Wade New Testament Elder Fredrick Wilson PRAYER OF COMFORT Pastor George Purcell REMARK (Please limit 2 mins)...... Arthur Woods Danny Wade, Gerald Peeples Larry Locket, Patrick Dunbar SOLO ... Evangelist LaRachel McPhatter Morrisey ACKNOWLEDGEMENT / OBITUARY.....Keisha Gills EULOGY Pastor Bernard Hamilton SELECTION Kinyan Marsh & Friends



Interment
McLaughlin Chapel Church Cemetery
Raeford, North Carolina

The Obituary

Mr. Willie Lee Dunbar was born to Patricia and Elijah Dunbar on January 16, 1970 in Aiken County, South Carolina. Willie attended schools within Aiken County and Richland One School District in Columbia, SC. He graduated from C. A. Johnson High School in 1988.

Following his graduation Willie joined the United States Army in 1989. During his years of service he served in the 82nd Airborne Division. He was deployed in support of numerous overseas military campaigns including, but not limited to Desert Storm and Desert Shield in Iraq, Southwest Asia, Afghanistan, Kuwait, and Saudi Arabia. He was awarded the following decorations, medals, badges, citations, campaign ribbions: Meritorious Service Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Army Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal w/ Bronze Service Star, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal. Professional Development Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Non Commission Officer Commission Development Ribbon, Parachutist Badge, NATO Medal, and Multi National Force and Observer Medal. He retired after 21 years of service.

Having a lifelong passion for the game of basketball, Willie dedicated himself by coaching, teaching, and developing youth in the sport. After his retirement, Willie became a Head Coach at Flora McDonald Christian School. In addition he worked as a Teacher's Assistant for Alpha Academy and served as an

Assistant for Alpha Academy and served as an assistant manager at Walmart of Sanford. He was also the proud co-owner of Gooseneck Athletic Wear and a Coach for the Raeford Hurricanes, local AAU basketball team.

He was joined in holy matrimony to Tonika L. McGeachy Dunbar on June, 18 2008 and they dedicated both their lives and homes to the Lord. He was a member of Jubilee Christian Center in Wagram, NC under the leadership of Pastor George Purcell Sr. and attended Friendship Grove FWB Church as well.

Willie is survived by his parents Patricia and Elijah Dunbar of Columbia, SC; father and mother-in-law, Joe and Annie McGeachy of Raeford, NC, children: daughter, Ariel (Chad) Brady of California and sons: Brandon Grissom of Columbia, SC, Ja'Brilyn Chandler, Jayden Dunbar and Justyn Dunbar of Raeford NC. siblings: Linden Harvey Dunbar, of Atlanta, GA, Teresa Dunbar, Patrick (Stephanie) Dunbar, Annjanette Dunbar, Sonia Dunbar all of Columbia, SC: one sister-in-law, Taheerah (Michael) Graves of Fayetteville, NC; one brother-in-law, Jerel (Domonique) McGeachy of Hope Mills, NC; nephews: Jerel McGeachy Jr., Jabbari Dunbar-Rhodes, Eli Emmanuel Dunbar, Gregory Ajani Hamilton aka Bean and Tobias Dunbar: niece, Jervi Dunbar-Rhodes: one great niece, Zoryi Hyman. He also leaves to cherish him: uncles, aunts, cousins, and a host of extended family and friends.







When 9 Lost You

I wish I could see you one more time,

Come walking through the door...

But I know that is impossible,

I will always hear you calling my name Buffieeee!

I know you can feel my tears
And you don't want me to cry,
Yet my heart is broken because
I can't understand why someone
So precious had to die.

I pray that God will give me strength
And somehow get me through...
As I struggle with the heartache
That came When I Lost You

Love your wife, Buffieeee!

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I meant to tell you goodbye Before you had to go away I meant to say I love you But the time has passed away You were once here, but now you're gone With the sweet memories to carry on The thought of you departing our lives When we knew we had to say goodbye You my son, Willie Dunbar, will always, Hold a special place in our lives No one can take your place Your love was food to our soul Your love was more precious than any gold

> Your Mother, Patricia Dunbar