Floral Bearers

Pall Bearers

Family and Friends

Nephews

Should You Go First

Should you go first and I remain to walk the road alone, I'll live in memories garden dear, with happy days we've known. In spring I'll wait for roses red, when faded, the lilacs blue. In early fall when brown leaves fall, I'll catch a glimpse of you. Should you go first and I remain, for battle to be fought. Each thing you've touched along the way will be a hallowed spot. I'll hear your voice, I'll see your smile, though blindly I may grope, The memory of your helping hand will buoy me on with hope. Should you go first and I remain, one thing I'll have you do: Walk slowly down that long long path, for soon I'll follow you. I want to know each step you take, so I may take the same. For someday down that lonely road you'll hear me call your name

Acknowledgements

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you gave us a call just to say you care.

Perhaps you sent a flower, if so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, as only a friend can say.

Perhaps you were not there at all, just prayed for us that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts,

We thank you so much whatever the part.

-- The Woods Family

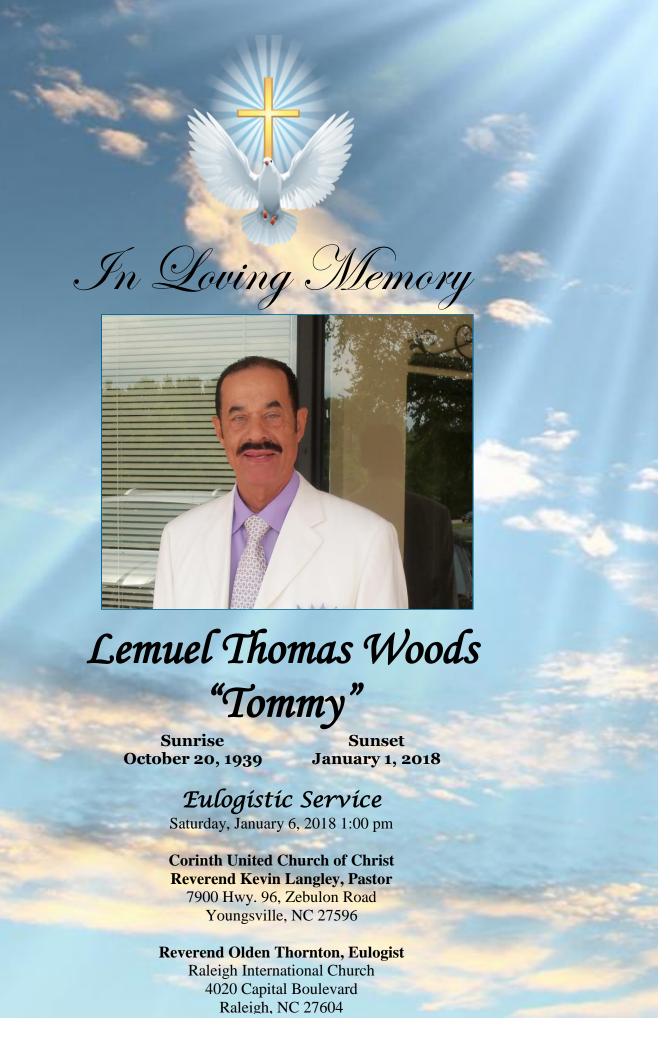
The family of Lemuel Woods would like to extend their deepest appreciation for the many cards, phone calls, visits, flowers, food, and other acts of kindness shown during our period of bereavement. May God forever keep each one of you in His loving care.

Special thanks to the Duke Heart Transplant Team, especially Dr. Rogers and Dr.Patel, and the Transitions LifeCare Team.

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Order of Service

Presentation

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Interment

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Obituary

Lemuel Thomas Woods was born on October 20, 1939 in Wake Forest, North Carolina to the late Walter and Lessie Woods. He departed this life on the afternoon of Monday, January 1, 2018.

Lemuel, affectionately known as "Tommy," was raised and educated in Wake County. He attended DuBois High School before relocating to New Jersey to live with his late sister, Josephine Jones and family.

Lemuel was united in holy matrimony to Gladys Louise Smith on August 12, 1961 in Newark, New Jersey.

Lemuel was employed at New Jersey Transit as a bus operator for several years. He went on to work with DeCamp Bus Lines as a local and charter bus operator and retired from there in 1995.

In 1995 Lemuel returned to North Carolina with his family. After his return, he began working with the Capital Area Transit as a local bus operator and served as vice president of the Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1436. He served in this capacity until his health began to decline in 2005.

After receiving a heart transplant in April of 2007 Lemuel could not keep still; so he went back to work for Lucas Transportation until late 2016.

Upon returning to North Carolina Lemuel rejoined Corinth United Church of Christ where he served as head of the Deacon Board and Sunday School Superintendent. He later joined Raleigh International Church where he served as an active member and with the Homeless Ministry.

Lemuel was a loving and hardworking family man, who loved his family like no other. He also enjoyed working outside, watching his favorite western movies, and telling jokes to his grandchildren.

Lemuel was one of twelve children, which included 7 sisters and 4 brothers. He was preceded in death by two sisters, Martha Mae Parrish and Josephine Jones; three brothers, Walter Alex Woods, Nathaniel William Woods, and Douglas McArthur Woods; and one son, Lemuel Qunnell Holloman.

Lemuel leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Gladys Woods; four children, Kelly DeAmond Stewart (Rafeeq) of Lithonia, GA, Angela Regina Moses (Alfred) of Silver Spring, MD, Kyeshia DeMeke Cosby (Kevin) of Raleigh, NC, and Kyle Demone Woods (Brigitte) of Knightdale, NC.; fourteen grandchildren, Shaun Stewart, Brandon Stewart, Alfred Moses III, Alexis Moses, Jordin Cosby, Jaiden Cosby, Jaleya Cosby, Kevonne Woods, Kyia Woods, Korrin Woods, Kennedy Woods, LeMya Holloman, Lemuel Holloman, Jr., and Jordan Holloman; four great-grandchildren, Shaun Stewart, Jr., Layla Stewart, Liana Stewart and Benjamin Stewart; five sisters, Hallie Dunston, Ruby Altman, Carolyn Shackleford (William), Virginia Roberson, and Wilhelmina Leggett; one brother, Franklin Woods (Jolene), and a host of other relatives and friends.