

Broken Hearts

*You left behind some broken hearts,
That loved you so sincere.*

*That never can and never will,
forget your love and care.*

*No one knows how much we miss you,
No one knows the bitter pain we have suffered
since we lost you.*

Life will never be the same.

*Its so sweet to know,
That someday we'll meet again!*

We Love You "Vinnie"

~The Family



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Honorary Floral Bearers

Friends, Classmates and Family

Honorary Pall Bearers

Arthur Bethea
Kenneth Buie
Ricky Baldwin
Michael Sutton
James Sutton
Timothy Amerson
John Roberts
Tim McMillan
Crainza McKoy
Perry Lee

Acknowledgements

In the midst of our sorrow, our cup truly overflows as we gratefully acknowledge the love and concerns you have so freely shared with us. Our family is deeply appreciative of your kindness as we rejoice in both the memory of our loved one's life and in the comfort you have brought us. May God richly bless each of you.

~The Family



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In Loving Memory Of
Robert Vincent Clay
Sunrise June 28, 1957 Sunset November 24, 2017



Wednesday, November 29, 2017
2:00 PM

Cameron Grove A.M.E. Zion Church
309 Vernon St, Broadway
Broadway, NC 27505

Reverend Kenneth Swann, Pastor
Rev. Renwcyke Harris, Officiating
Pastor Harrison Ray, Eulogist

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional.....Clergy and Family

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament: Crainza McKoy

New Testament: Larry McNeill

Prayer of Comfort.....Minister Sonya Blue

Solo.....Wanda McLean Beasley

Special Remarks.....Class of 1975
Sanford Central High

Acknowledgements &
Obituary.....Janice M. Petty

Solo.....Wanda McLean Beasley

Selection.....Choir

Eulogy.....Pastor Harrison Ray
God’s Fellowship Christian Center
Broadway, NC

Recessional



Obituary

Mr. Robert Vincent “Vinnie” Clay, was born in Sanford, NC on June 28, 1957 to the late William Arthur Clay and Lillian Beatrice McDougald. He transitioned from this life to eternal life with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Friday, November 24, 2017 in Sanford, NC.

He is a 1975 graduate of Sanford Central High School, Sanford, NC. He then attended North Carolina A&T State University, Greensboro, NC where he graduated with a degree in Landscape Architecture/Urban Planning and received his commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

Robert then served six years on active duty and eighteen years with the U.S. Army Reserve.

On February 4, 1984 he married Jo Ann Mason. They were married for thirty-three years and to this union one child was born, Jasmyne Victoria Clay.

Robert’s career: Chesterfield County Planning 1987 until his retirement in 2016, and then returned as part-time employee. He was an active member of VOFM serving in Logistics and Youth Explorers. Robert was also an active volunteer with Mended Hearts.

Outside of work Robert enjoyed, golfing, fishing, bowling, spending time with youth at church, family and friends. He was a proud member of Pershing Rifles, a beloved husband, father, brother, uncle, cousin, mentor and friend.

He is survived by his wife, Jo Ann M. Clay; daughter, Jasmyne Victoria of the home, Chester, VA; brother, Michael Clay (Sanford, NC); sisters, Janice Petty (John) of Cameron, NC and Ellen Johnson (Jeffery) of Capitol Heights, Maryland; father-in-law, James Mason Sr., (Bayboro, NC); aunts: Effie Lyles (Richmond, CA), Kimetha Watson (Flint, MI), Wilma Mitchell (Grand Prarie, TX), Gladys (Sanford, NC), Linda Clay (Sanford, NC), Tammy Clay (Augusta, GA), Gracie Palmer (Sanford, NC), and Ronnie Sue McLean (Sacramento, GA); uncles: Willie McNeill (Norrington, NC), Michael Moore (Spring Lake, NC), and Rufus Gillyort, (Sanford, NC); aunts-in-law: Sarah Clark, Sallie Gaskins, and Catherine Riche (all of Bayboro, NC) and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.