

The Soldiers Life



*The soldiers life is not for all
A soldier must be willing to give his all
He is overworked and underpaid
A truer patriot was never made
Ready to go at any time
Wherever there is trouble or the first sign
His courage and honor are unsurpassed
Ready and willing to complete the task
Travelling to lands both near and far
He stands his post and looks at the stars
Wondering what he might have done
If he had not chosen to carry a gun
Remember the next time that you are
driving by
And see the flag flying proud and high
That somewhere out there a soldier stands
Weary and cold in a foreign land
Protecting our country from our foes
Standing tall and proud come rain or snow.*

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Friends of the Family

Pall Bearers

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Acknowledgements

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to them during this hour of bereavement. May God richly bless each of you.

~The Family



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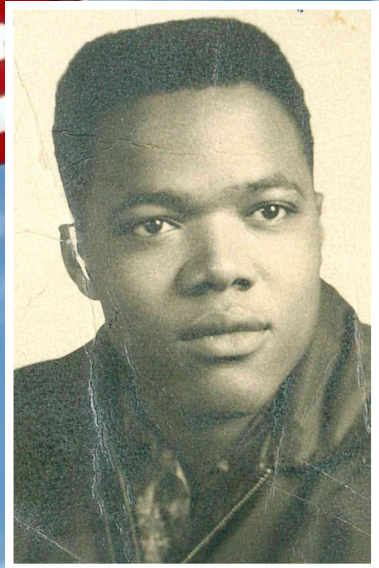
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In Loving Memory
Of

Raymond Dexter Barnes

Sunrise
December 28, 1941

Sunset
February 25, 2018



*A soldiers life reminds
us that our freedom was
not bought cheaply.*

Monday, March 5, 2018

1:00 PM

Fair Promise AME Zion Church

712 Wall Street

Sanford, NC 27330

Rev. Verlon Anderson, Pastor

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional.....Clergy and Family

Selection

Scripture Reading:
Old Testament: Rev. Curtis Boykins
New Testament: Rev. Verlon Anderson

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Charles Chalmers

Selection..... “Going Up Yonder”

Remarks

Acknowledgements.....Ray Taylor

Selection.....Choir

Eulogy.....Rev. Iris Jordan
Pastor, St. Paul AME Zion Church
Gulf, North Carolina

Recessional

Interment
Lee Memory Gardens
2600 Hawkins Avenue
Sanford, North Carolina



Obituary

Raymond Dexter Barnes was born December 28, 1941 to Harry Lee Barnes and Emma Jean Smith in Sanford, North Carolina.

Raymond “Boss” was educated in the public schools of Lee County graduating from W.B. Wicker High School.

He entered in the United States Air Force in 1961 serving four years and eight months. After military life he entered into holy matrimony with Marian McLean Barnes and to that union four children were born. He worked for Independent National Insurance Company for 29 years.

Raymond was well received into the church community. He was an active member of the American Legion Post # 553. He was a singer and recording artist. Raymond recorded two songs, “Forever” and Devil in Disguise” which were popular songs in this area.

He was preceded in death by: his parents, Emma Jean Smith and Harry Lee Barnes, Havril Lavard Barnes, and Lloyd Gregory Barnes.

Raymond “Boss” leaves to cherish his four children: Raymond Jerome Barnes of Sanford, NC, Tara Barnes of Fayetteville, NC, Tony Orlando Barnes of Durham, NC and Christopher Barnes (Angie) of Kansas; seven grandchildren; sisters and brothers, Jacquelyn Summerfield (Robert-deceased) of Highland Island Park, New York, Harry Barnes Jr. (Etta) of Fayetteville, Barbra McCormick (James-deceased) of Florida, Henaro Barnes (Brenda) of Sanford, NC, Bennie Barnes (Rosa) of Pennsylvania, Andrea Barnes (Pam), and Michael Barnes (Mildred) all of New York, Lorna Barnes Wilkins (Bernard) of Aberdeen, Melody Barnes of Florida and Anthony Barnes (Ana) of Virginia.