

Acknowledgements

The family acknowledges and sends its appreciation to all our friends who have consoled us during this time of bereavement especially his friends and coworkers from the New York Times. Your prayers and your love has sustained us: visits, phone calls and emails were deeply appreciated.

The family would like to acknowledge a special thank you to: Liberty Home Nursing Care Service, Fred Gray McIntosh, Johnny Street and Arthur Lee and Thelma Tyson and Ernie Booth.

~The Family



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*In Loving Memory
Of
Mr. William Dennis Dowdy*



Sunrise
June 27, 1938



Sunset
March 14, 2020

3:00 PM
Saturday, March 21, 2020

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Rev. Joshua T. Jones, Eulogist

Order of Service

Musical Prelude.....Soft Music

Scripture Reading.....Jonathan Shark
Derrick Turman

Prayer of Comfort..... Derrick Turman

Acknowledgements and Obituary.....Kim Dowdy

Eulogy.....Rev. Joshua T. Jones

Music Selection.....Soft Music



*Due to the current public health epidemic,
the family will plan a Celebration of Life at a later date.
Please sign the guestbook for information regarding this event.*

Obituary

Mr. William Dennis Dowdy transitioned on Saturday, March 14, 2020. He was born on June 27, 1938, in Goldston, NC to McKinnley D. Dowdy & Wilma Tysor Dowdy Thompson. William graduated from JS Waters School in Goldston, NC.

He married Doris J. Howze on July 31, 1960. From that union, Yolanda Shark, Gary, Warren, and Tammy were born. They proudly adopted twins Hakim & Kasiem Dowdy into the family.

William was employed by the New York Times as a Delivery Foreman, a position that he held in high regard. After 27 years of service, he retired in June of 2002. After retirement, William returned to his childhood home of North Carolina, residing in nearby Siler City. He enjoyed raising and caring for horses, farming, socializing with friends and family, and making sure everyone enjoyed his company.

William is preceded in death by his brother and sister: Billy Joe Dowdy and Emma Jacqueline Dowdy Long.

Along with his immediate family, William also leaves behind a sister, Bertha Mae Turman of Goldston, NC; two grandsons, William Shark and Jonathan Shark, their wives Jae and Rosemary; one great grandson, Vincent; one beloved great aunt; Iona Cheek, of Seagrove, NC; a sister-in-law, Victoria M. Dowdy, of the Bronx, NY, along with a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

