



Acknowledgements

The family of Michael W. Starkey, Sr. wishes to thank everyone who has blessed us during this time of bereavement. Your cards, flowers, comforting prayers and messages have been greatly appreciated.

Pallbearers

Family and Friends



*A precious one from us is gone,
A voice we loved is still.
A place is vacant in our hearts,
Which never can be filled.*

*But after a lonely heartache
And many silent tears;
There's always a beautiful memory,
Of one we loved so dear.*



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A SERVICE OF MEMORY CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF *Michael Wayne Starkey, Jr.*

Sunrise
April 25th
1959

Sunset
January 6th
2022



Wednesday, January 19, 2022

Visitation – 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Funeral Service – 11:00 a.m.

*Blessed Hope Seventh-Day
Adventist Church*

1608 Summit Road • Cincinnati, OH 45237

Pastor James Matthews, *Officiating*
Pastor Stephen D. Lewis, *Church Pastor*

Obituary

Beloved **Michael W. Starkey, Sr.** was born to Dorris and James Starkey in Louisville, Kentucky on April, 25 1959. He was the oldest of four children.

He was baptized at the age of nine years old at The Magazine Street S.D.A. Church in Louisville, Kentucky. He also sang in the children's choir and was in the Pathfinders Club.

Michael was quiet and shy, but always enjoyed being around his family. The family relocated to Cincinnati, Ohio in 1975. Michael graduated from Forest Park High School in 1977.

He then married Lorraine Bell Starkey and they raised two children together. He transferred his church membership to Emmanuel S.D.A. Church, where he actively played on the church basketball team. Michael loved the Lord and read his Bible daily.

Michael was a fun, supportive and loving family man. His hobby was collecting model cars. He also enjoyed attending yearly car shows with a particular interest in exotic cars.

For the last 33 years of his life, he was employed by Chemicals, Inc./Chemgroup and for them drove a tanker truck. He was looking forward to retiring in the next four years.

He leaves to cherish his memories: The late

James Starkey (preceded in death); mother, Dorris Starkey; daughter, Malaika Wills; son, Michael Starkey, Jr.; sister, Lisa Wells; brothers, James Starkey and Glenn Starkey; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild; two aunts, Jo'Ann May and Mary Rowan; and a host of nieces and great-nieces, nephews and great-nephews and cousins.



If You Knew

*If you knew where I am standing,
If you could see the sights I see.
If you could hear the angels singing,
The songs they sing eternally.*

*If you knew the One I'm holding,
Could see the smile He smiles at me.
If you knew where I am resting,
You would not cry for me.*

*I'm resting in the precious arms of Jesus,
No other place would I rather be.
So if you shed a tear, please don't shed it for me.
If you knew where I am resting,
You would not cry for me.*

*I know you're confused
about my leaving you so soon,
But I'll be with you again,
maybe morning, night or noon.
So I'll save a place for you,
right beside the crystal sea.
If you knew where my mansion's standing,
You would not cry for me.*

Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Parting View

The Family

Prayer

The Minister

Scripture

Old Testament – Job 14:10-14
Elder Wayman Johnson

New Testament – I Corinthians 15:51-58
Elder Nate Snow

Solo

Michael Wesson

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Obituary

Yvonne Bray

Solo

Michael Wesson

Eulogy

Pastor Stephen D. Lewis

Benediction

Pastor Stephen D. Lewis

Recessional

The Clergy, Bearers and Family



Interment

Green Meadows Memorial Cemetery
Louisville, Kentucky