

Life's Railway to Heaven

Life is like a mountain railway, with an engineer that's brave;
We must make the run successful, from the cradle to the grave;
Watch the curves, the fills, the tunnels; never falter, never fail;
Keep your hands upon the throttle, and your eyes upon the rail.

You will roll up grades of trial; you will cross the bridge of strife;
See that Christ is your conductor on this lightning train of life;
Always mindful of obstruction, Do your duty, never fail;
Keep your hands upon the throttle, and your eyes upon the rail.

You will often find obstructions; look for storms and wind and rain;
On a fill, or curve, or trestle they will almost ditch your train;
Put your trust alone in Jesus, Never falter, never fail;
Keep your hands upon the throttle, and your eyes upon the rail.

As you roll across the trestle, Spanning Jordan's swelling tide,
You behold the Union Depot into which your train will glide;
There you'll meet the Superintendent, God the Father, God the Son,
With the hearty, joyous plaudit, "Weary Pilgrim, welcome home."

Blessed Savior, Thou wilt guide us, Till we reach that blissful shore,
Where the angels wait to join us In Thy praise forevermore.

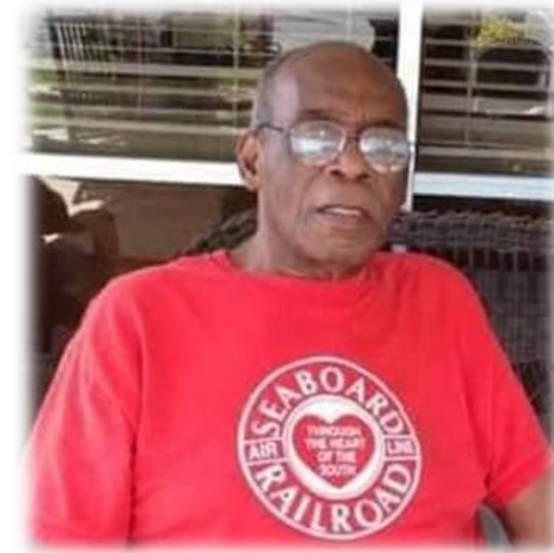
*The family would like to express their appreciation to the staff of
Wadesboro Health and Rehabilitation Center for the loving manner in
which they cared for him, who they affectionately called "Granddaddy".*

*Services Entrusted To
Leavitt Funeral Home
Wadesboro, North Carolina
Service Since 1914*

The Home Going Service

For

Mr. Samuel Roger Liles



3:00PM

**Wednesday, April 3, 2019
Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home
2036 Morven Road
Wadesboro, North Carolina**

The Order of Service

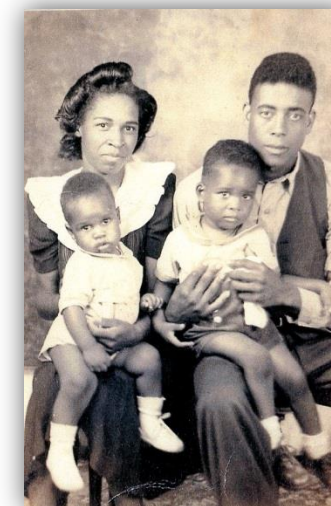
Mrs. Deborah Flowers Davis, Presiding

Prelude Music	Mr. Matthew Bailey, Pianist
Processional	The Family and Members of the Clergy
Invocation	Pastor Warren Parson
Musical Selection	Blessed Assurance
Reading of Holy Scripture Old Testament New Testament	Pastor Luther McLendon Elder Carl Ingram
Prayer of Comfort and Remarks	Bishop Walter Ellerbe
Solo	Minister Christine Hall
Remarks	Railroad Retirees
Special Remarks	Granddaughters
Acknowledgements	Mr. Ken Caulder Leavitt Funeral Home
Reading of the Obituary	Mae Frances Teal
Solo	Evangelist Brenda Pratt
Eulogy	Pastor Warren Parson
Last Farewell	Family and Friends
Benediction	Pastor Warren Parson
Recessional	The Family and Members of the Clergy
Interment	Westview Memorial Park Wadesboro, North Carolina
Casket Bearers ~ Family and Friends	Floral Bearers ~ Classmates

During a time such as this, we come to realize what our family and friends really mean to us...for every expression of love and sympathy, we will remain grateful.

The Obituary

Mr. Samuel Roger Liles, the son of the late John Mark Liles and Thomasina Byrd Liles was born on March 6, 1945 in Lilesville, NC. He departed this life on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at the Atrium Health Anson Hospital in Wadesboro, NC.



Samuel, known to many as Pike, attended Henry Grove School and graduated with the Class of 1965. During his high school years, Samuel was active in sports. He enjoyed playing baseball and basketball. He pitched and played second base for the Lilesville Sluggers. His jersey number for basketball was 24. He often bragged about scoring 24 points in a tournament game against West Deep Creek High School.

Samuel was a hard worker. He held many jobs while in high school. He drove the school bus and cut pulpwood with his father. He also worked at W.R. Bonsal. After graduating high school, Samuel was hired as a brakeman for Seaboard Air Line Railroad (CSX Transportation). Later, he became a conductor. He worked on both freight and passenger trains. Samuel was extremely proud to work for the railroad and made many loyal and lifelong friends.

He accepted Christ and was baptized at Chisholm Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Lilesville, NC. Later, he joined First Baptist Church in Wadesboro, NC and became a Deacon. He was instrumental in finding the site on which the present church is now built.

Samuel was formerly married to Jacquelyn Flowers Liles. During their union, they were blessed with a son, Rodney Johnathan, and a daughter, Rosalynn Christie. Samuel was an excellent provider for his family. Rodney and Christie will forever hold dear memories of swimming and fishing at the lake house on Lake Tillery and enjoying family vacations.

Samuel was preceded in death by his parents. He leaves to cherish his memories, his caring son, Rodney Liles of Lilesville, NC; loving daughter, Christie Liles of Wadesboro, NC; four beautiful and loving granddaughters, Katelyn Parson, Shantell Liles, Seara Liles, and Shelby Clark; two handsome great-grandsons, Ken'yon Lindsey and Syncere Ledbetter; one precious great-granddaughter, Jaonni Taylor; one devoted brother and sister-in-law, John and Cornelia Liles of Lilesville, NC; two nephews, Franklin Liles and Anthony Liles (Jackie); one niece, Miriam Liles; two aunts, Gertrude Byrd Hall of Sicklerville, NJ and Loretta Byrd of Rose Hill, NC; one uncle, J.T. Byrd (Sarah) of Polkton, NC and a host of dear cousins and friends.