

~ *The Homegoing Service* ~

Prelude

Visitation 12:00 – 1:00 PM

Invocation

Opening Song.....Ms. Kiara Wilson

Scripture Readings

Old Testament: *Psalms 23:4*.....Reverend Curt Locklear

New Testament: *Revelations 14:13*.....Reverend Gregory Spaulding

Prayer of Comfort:Reverend Gregory Spaulding

Solo: "It Is Well with My Soul".....Ms. Elvira Mitchell

Acknowledgements & Resolutions.....Church Clerk

Reading of the Obituary..... Ms. Theresa Blanks

Reflections (Two Minutes Each)

Eulogy:.....Reverend Curt Locklear

~ Mortician in Charge ~

Recessional

Service of Committal and Interment

St. James Memorial Cemetery

Lake Waccamaw, North Carolina

707 Vinson Boulevard
Whiteville, NC 28472

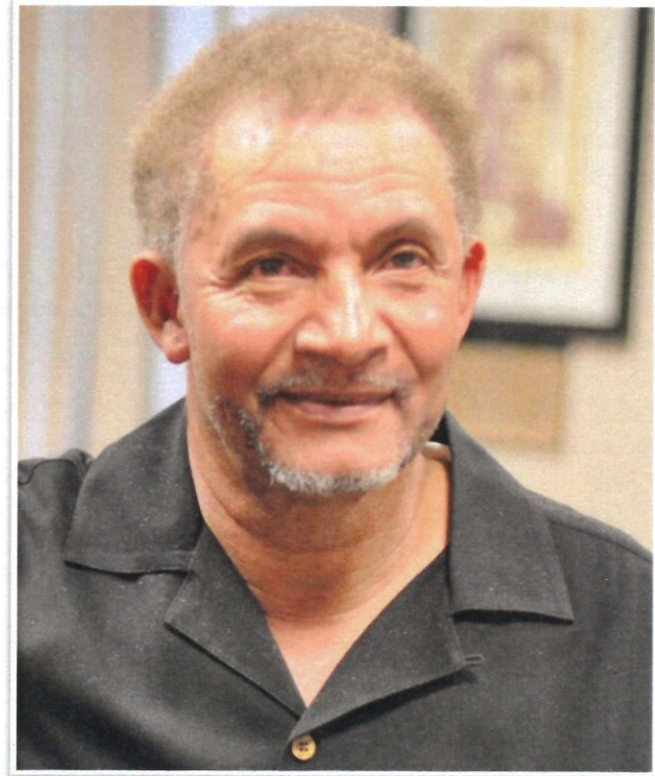


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In Loving Memory
of
George Woodrow Mitchell

Sunrise: May 30, 1943 ~ Sunset: March 20, 2022



Saturday, April 2, 2022

1:00 PM

St. James Missionary Baptist Church

3245 Old Northeast Road

Lake Waccamaw, North Carolina

Reverend Curt Locklear, Pastor

~ Obituary ~

George Woodrow Mitchell

George W. Mitchell departed this life on Sunday, March 20, 2022, at Lower Cape Fear LifeCare in Whiteville, North Carolina. A week to the day earlier, his wife Barbara was also called to heaven.

George was born on May 30th, 1943, to Jervey Briskey Mitchell and Mamie Gertrude Mitchell. George was one of 6 boys. He also had 7 sisters.

George was known to most as a simple man. He graduated from Waccamaw School in Buckhead. He left home for New Jersey in the early 60's and moved in with his sister, Pauline. It was during that time when he found his soulmate, Barbara. The two wed in November of 1965, and to their marriage the Lord blessed them with two beautiful children, Natasha Alise Mitchell-Maree and George Woodrow Mitchell, Jr. Their union resulted in four wonderful grandchildren that they adored, Marcus, Briana, Maya, and Jade.

George worked for one company during his entire life. He honed his craft as an expert welder with the Virkotype Corporation in Plainfield, NJ. In his free time, he built custom items like gas grills, trailer hitches and other various mechanical components. When his 30 year career with Virkotype ended, he started a small welding business. The bulk of his work was repairing broken parts for customers. As cars found a second life in developing nations, many of his parts made it all the way to Central and South America. He had a moderate sized base of customers in the Guatemalan second hand market.

George enjoyed baseball and played for local leagues in his early 20's. He was also an avid fisherman. You could go by the Mill Pond and he would be sitting on the tailgate of his truck fishing. He also enjoyed drag racing at Raceway Park in Englishtown, NJ.

George was a fabulous gardener. He produced crops in an urban area not too common for gardening. If you were riding the Northeast Corridor metro train line, you'd have seen one of the most amazing crops riding the train. He also loved flea markets. You could find him on weekends at the Arbor Flea Market buying and selling various wares. He loved playing catch with his son and all of the neighborhood kids. He loved running races with Daddy's girl, "Tash."

~ Obituary Continued ~

George wasn't involved in any official community organizations but there are endless stories from people that he helped in the community. If you were a complete stranger and found yourself broken down on the road, he would stop to help you. He would help random strangers in acts of kindness. During Hurricane Floyd he went out on his boat to rescue people in need. He hated going to the bank, so he carried around a stack of cash and you could always find him giving people money. He was the most generous man you could meet.

After decades living in the Northeast, 6 years ago George and Barbara decided to return to George's roots to spend their retirement. You could ride by their house and see him on his tractor or lawnmower. You might not have any idea what he was doing on any particular day but he most certainly was happy out there doing it.

Our husband, father, brother, uncle, and grandfather, George Woodrow Mitchell, will be sorely missed by his loving family and friends, but we know that he lived an incredible life on this earth.

Preceding his death were his Parents, Jervey B. Mitchell and Mamie Gertrude; wife, Barbara J. Mitchell; brothers, Avery Mitchell, Eddie Mitchell, James Mitchell, Andrew Lee Mitchell, Benjamin Mitchell and a Sister Pauline Wagner

George is survived by his daughter, Natasha Alise Mitchell-Maree of Yardley, PA; son, George Mitchell, Jr. (Maritza) of Austin, TX; grandchildren, Marcus Mack of Waterbury, CT, Brianna Horton of Plainfield, NJ, Maya Grace Horton and Jade Maree of Yardley, PA; sisters, Bulah Mitchell, Mamie Spaulding, Lucy Young, Hattie Spaulding (Henry), Catherine Spaulding (Wilbert), and Annie Mahoney, all originally of Lake Waccamaw, NC; many nieces, nephews, cousins all over the country, and all of whom had a very special place in his heart.

His extended family includes sisters-in-law; Christina Clark of Piscataway, NJ, MaryAnn Anderson of Somerset, NJ, and Grace Anderson of Hillsborough, NJ, and Barbara Wilson-Anderson of Plainfield, NJ; and brother-in-law, Edward Anderson (Lena) of Somerset, NJ.