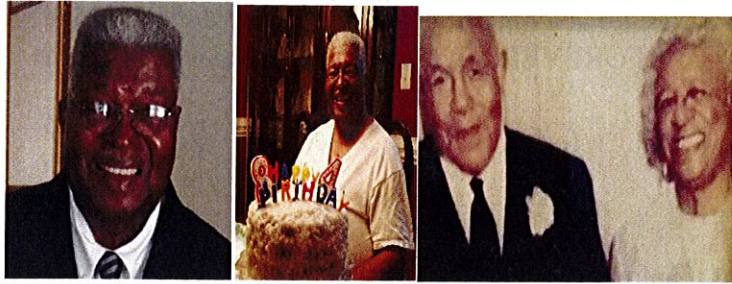


# Memories...



## *A Letter from Heaven*

When tomorrow starts without me,  
and I'm not here to see,  
The sun may rise and find your  
eyes filled with tears for me.

I wish so much you wouldn't cry,  
the way you did today,  
While thinking of the many things,  
We didn't get to say.

I know how much you love me,  
as much as I love you,  
And each time you think of me,  
I know you'll miss me too.

When tomorrow starts without me,  
don't think we're far apart,  
for every time you think of me,  
I'm right there in your heart.

## *Floral Couriers*

Family, Friends and Deaconesses of  
Cameron Grove AME Zion Church

## *Bearers of the Bier*

Family Members and Friends of  
Cameron Grove AME Zion Church  
The Mighty Brothers of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity

## **Acknowledgements:**

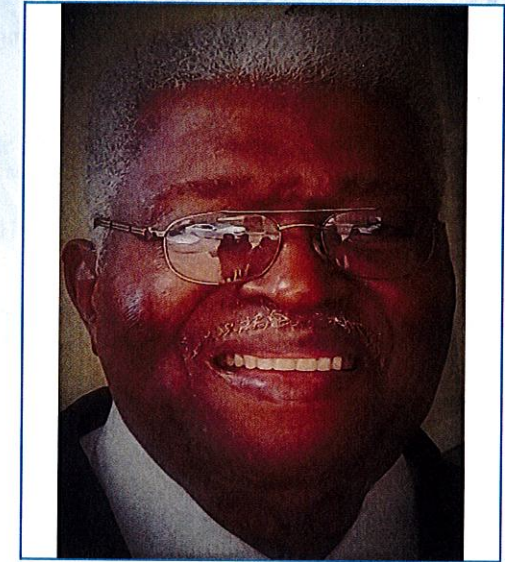
We wish to acknowledge with sincere appreciation  
the many expressions of love, kindness and support  
shown to us by our family, church members and friends  
during our bereavement.

We pray that God will continually Bless you.

## *The Holmes Family*



## *In Loving Memory*



*Mr. Robert Holmes, Jr.*

September 17, 1934 – March 7, 2020

## *Service*

Thursday, March 12, 2020 - 2:00 P.M.  
Cameron Grove AME Zion Church  
309 Vernon Street  
Broadway, North Carolina 27505



## Order of Service

**Reverend Kenneth Swann, Officiating**  
Pastor, Cameron Grove AME Zion Church  
Broadway, NC

Processional ..... Clergy & Family  
Hymn of Praise ..... Choir & Congregation  
Words of Comfort:  
Old Testament ..... Reverend Ray Owens, Sr. Pastor  
Franklin Chapel AME Zion Church, Laurinburg, NC  
Gloria Patri ..... Hymn 702  
New Testament ..... Apostle Reginald White  
Gospel Lighthouse Word Ministries, Sanford, NC  
Prayer of Comfort ..... Reverend Kenneth Swann  
Selection ..... Cameron Grove Mass Choir  
Obituary Reading/Resolutions ..... Mrs. Diane Chubbs  
Selection ..... Cameron Grove Mass Choir  
Eulogy ..... Reverend Chalmers McDougald  
Presiding Elder, Sanford District, The AME Zion Church  
Benediction ..... Reverend Kenneth Swann  
Recessional ..... McLeod Funeral Home

## Interment

Cameron Grove AME Zion Church  
Broadway, North Carolina

## Obituary

Mr. Robert Holmes Jr. of Sanford, North Carolina transitioned from earth to heaven on March 7, 2020 at the age 85.

Born in Sanford, North Carolina, he was the son of Mr. Robert Holmes Sr. & Mrs. Irene Wilcox Holmes. Following their untimely death, Robert was nurtured by Ulyis and Lucy Ann Wilcox Marks. He attended Broadway School and graduated from W. B. Wicker School. Robert was enjoying retirement after working in several capacities of the manufacturing industry which also included managerial responsibilities. He worked diligently to assist his children and siblings in their efforts to attain a higher level of education.

Mr. Holmes was the oldest male member of Cameron Grove AME Zion Church where he served as a Trustee, Vice-Chairman of the Trustee Board and as an Usher. He also served on the Pastor's Executive and Building Committees and on The Senior on the Move Ministry. Robert was a member of the Connectional Lay Council, the Men's Choir and an Honorary Member of the Missionary Society. He enjoyed fishing and watching NASCAR Racing and was an avid tennis fan. Robert will be remembered for his kind and generous spirit and his warm and wonderful smile.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Mrs. Willie Mae Murchison Holmes of Sanford, NC, his children Roemaya "Roe" Holmes of Charlotte, NC, Dr. Valerie Holmes Waddell (Atty. Beady Waddell, III) of Gastonia, NC, Robert "Rob" Holmes and Kelin "Taft" Holmes of Charlotte, NC. Grandchildren: Nicole Holmes of Spartanburg, SC, Victoria and Virginia Waddell, Beady Waddell, IV (Topee) and greatgrandchildren Beady, V "B5", Taylor and Taryn Waddell all reside in Gastonia, NC. He is also survived by his siblings, Rosa Holmes Jamison and Mary Holmes Crutchfield of Durham, NC, Wesley Levern (Eugenia) Holmes of Sanford, NC, and Maryland Price of Siler City, NC.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holmes, Sr., Brother, Silas "Woodrow" Harrington and Daughter, Endid Mae Holmes.

## Dearest Robert,

Forever is a long time and that's how long I'll love you, FOREVER. Thanks for a Blessed and awesome 61 years of marriage.

*Love, Your Wife- Mae*

*Daddy,*

I thank you for belief in Our Heavenly Father and most of all for LIFE and VALUABLE LESSONS, including how to treat people right. You said "Do things right, son. Do things right". Daddy, your life and passing won't be in vain.

*Love, Roe*

*Dearest Daddy,*

You often played and sang the song "My Girl" to me when I was little. You set the Gold Standard for me. I will always be "Your Girl".

*Love & Miss You, Valerie*

*Daddy,*

Thank you for being the amazing, outstanding, first-class Father in our family.

*Love you always, Robert L Holmes*

*Daddy,*

You were a great loving Father. Thank you for teaching us Christian values. I will miss you dearly.

*Love, Kelin Taft*