



Family Scripture:
PSALMS 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he
leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths
of righteousness for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear
no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my
life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Lewis Family would like to thank you for the countless acts of kindness during this difficult time of grief. Your love and compassion were indicated to us by your calls, visits, cards, texts, food deliveries, beautiful plants, and most of all, your prayers. Special thanks to New Life Christian Fellowship - Pastor Jovaster Witcher, Greater Belton COGIC - Pastor Elder Charlie Berry, Sr., Margie Green and all the other healthcare professionals at Ascension Providence Hospital and Hewitt Rehabilitation Center. We are so blessed to have so many caring and thoughtful family and friends, and we love and appreciate each and every last one of you. May God richly bless you!

– The Family

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Travis Collins | Demetrius Collins | Reginald D. Lewis, II
Richard (Max) Dunn, Jr. | Vernon Lewis, Sr. | Reginald James Lewis

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Terry McLennan | Allen B. Lewis, Jr. | Samuel Long, Jr.
Xavier Lewis | Robert Wayne Lewis, Jr. | Rayshawn Lewis
William Webster Lewis | Quintin Walker | Paul Walker
Byron Collins

HE SHALL REST

Doris Miller Memorial Park
4855 Bellmead Drive
Waco, Texas 76705

PRIVATE REPAST — FAMILY ONLY

New Life Christian Fellowship
2201 N. 18th Street
Waco, Texas



SERENITY LIFE CELEBRATIONS | SERENITY CHAPEL
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Elder John Lewis

"JACKIE BOY"



First Breath
June 19, 1930

Last Smile
April 29, 2022

HIS SERVICE

Saturday, May 7, 2022 | 2:30 pm
Iglehart Chapel Church of God in Christ
720 Clifton Street
Waco, Texas

Superintendent Limmie Collins - Master of Ceremony
Superintendent Henry E. Tate, III - Pastor and Eulogist

His Life Story

AS A SON:

Elder John Lewis was born on Juneteenth 1930, to John D. Lewis and Victoria Bailey Lewis. As a young man, he was known to his friends as "Jackie Boy" and accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior at a pivotal point in his life. As an Elder in the Church of God in Christ (COGIC) and one who lived his life to the fullest, he taught the life lessons he learned to family, friends, co-workers, and strangers alike. Elder Lewis was joyously welcomed into his heavenly home on April 29, 2022, at the age of 91.

AS A BROTHER:

Elder Lewis had the privilege of growing up with amazing siblings Estella Reddrick, Charlie Mae (Sugg) Jenkins, Mary Reddrick (deceased), Paul Lewis, Sr., David Lewis (deceased), and William Clyde Lewis (deceased). Although Elder Lewis was somewhat adventurous as a young man, at age 30, he gave his life to Christ and became a beacon of light to guide others to God.

AS A FAMILY MAN:

Elder Lewis is survived by his wife of over 50 years, Mother Lois Payton Lewis. He will be missed dearly by his children, Robert W. Lewis, Sr. (Patricia), Cora Brantley, Rev. Dr. Allen B. Lewis, Sr. (Frankie), Missionary Helen T. Collins (Elder TC, Jr.), Linda F. Long (Samuel), Victoria Lewis-Dunn, JD (Richard, deceased), Jackie M. Roberts (David, deceased), Betty R. Hall (James), Carolyn D. Benn, RN and Reginald D. Lewis (Audra). He is survived by 29 grandchildren, 47 great-grandchildren, and 4 great-great-grandchildren. Elder Lewis taught his children the importance of putting God first, that education is the key to another reality, hard work is a necessary element to success, and perseverance coupled with consistency are foundations for any dream.

AS A MINISTER AND COMMUNITY LEADER:

Elder Lewis served as a minister for over 60 years, beginning with his fellowship with the Gospel Lighthouse COGIC and ending as an Elder at Iglehart Chapel COGIC. Possessing a sharp wit and a love for the Lord, Elder Lewis is a true historical example of someone who lived free while struggling in a world in which black men were devalued as a matter of law. While most activists were readily identified, disparaged, and/or ostracized, there were those who worked silently and with the purpose of making sure changes were affected and barriers broken. His achievements include, but are not limited to, his retirement from the Santa Fe Railroad after 21 years of service, retirement from Cleburne ISD in the capacity of a mentor, licensed Mortician, and entrepreneur in the fields of auto sales, bargain resales, and repair, and many other endeavors.

Standing on the shoulders of his ancestors, Elder Lewis walked in faith and believed that when one door is closed, God opens another one and/or a window nearby. He was famously known for his belief that "nothing beats a failure but a try."



Order of Service

Procession (Soft Music):Byron Collins

House to Order: Superintendent Henry E. Tate, III

Welcome to the
Celebration of Life: Superintendent Limmie Collins
Master of Ceremony

Prayer: Superintendent Ozell Hall

Scripture
Old Testament: Elder Marvin Clayton
New Testament: Appointee

Solo: Kristin Lewis

Resolutions: Iglehart Chapel COGIC

Expressions & Tributes: Superintendent Limmie Collins
(2 mins each)

Special Remarks from Family: Robert Wayne Lewis, Sr.
Minister Paul Lewis, Sr.

Solo: District Missionary Emma Dixon

Eulogy: Superintendent Henry E. Tate, III

Recessional

