## Tributes To The Man

You have always been a hard-working man that I admire. You sheltered me as a child and provided me with much needed advice as an adult. These last few years have been hard seeing you, a strong man, decline in health. I thank God for you and know he has welcomed you into his kingdom.

Melody

#### **DEAR PAPA**

Thank you for loving us unconditionally. You showed us what it meant to be a man. I miss you; I'm going to miss us hanging out, laughing, and talking. You never forgot us, made sure I was 'good', never judged me, and always gave me the greatest advice. You were my best friend. I was looking at one of our videos, and I remember you telling me to never forget "that I will always be your baby." We are deeply saddened by your loss. I'm so sorry, grandpa. I hate that my daughter won't have the chance to experience the love that you have shown us. You were one of a kind and a man of your word. I know it's not good to question the things that happen in our lives, but it hurts my heart not to have you here with us. You will always be the number one man in our lives. There will never be enough words to describe the mark you left on us. Your gratitude, love, laughs, and everything that made you 'you' will be missed.

We love you, forever.

-Sherrica

#### TO OUR BROTHER

'Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same, but as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.'
-Ron Tranmer

Brother, sincerely you'll be missed.
You'll always remain at the top of our list.
With a smile, a joke, and a hefty laugh;
fix me a plate, pass me a glass.
Before he left, he played us one more tune.
He smiled, he danced, he even crooned.
Even though we wanted you to stay, you let us know,
"today is my day, but let the music play."
Then our brother, the life of the party,
flew off to be among heaven's lofts.
- Charlie, Josie, Jacque, and Clarence

#### TO HARRY

God's Garden By Melissa Shreve

God looked around his garden and found an empty place,
He then looked down upon the Earth and saw your tired face.
He put his arms around you and lifted you to rest,
With the help of his angels, they flew you to your heavenly place.
God's garden must be beautiful, He always takes the best,
He knew you were suffering; He knew you would never get well on
Earth again; He saw the road was getting rough and the hills too
hard to climb, He closed your weary eyelids and whispered, 'Peace
be Thine'. It broke our hearts to lose you, but you didn't go alone
For part of us went with you the day God called you home.

"The Family









### Pallbearers

Carlos Crump, Jr. Roderick Edwards Terrence Pastchal David Edwards Steve Swann Vincent (Chris) Edwards

Honorary Pallbearers
Charles Lee Ivy
Loe Pastchal
Clarence Lee Edwards

### Military Pallbearers

Acknowledgements
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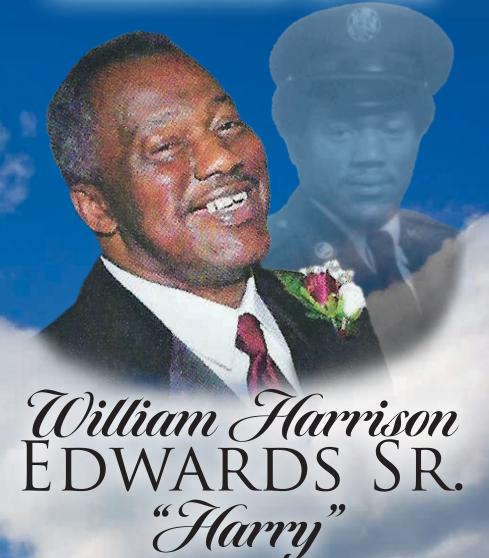
Words cannot express how much we thank you all for your expressions of sympathy and the help you provided to us during our moments of sorrow and waiting. We are grateful for your love, friendship, prayers, and support. We trust that God will bless each of you in a special way and that you continue to keep us in your prayers. A special thank you to the staff at the Missouri Veterans Home where Harry spent his final years. You are the kindest, most supportive people we know. Your words of encouragement, your visits, your hugs, and of course your sustenance was so appreciated. Thank you.

THE EDWARDS & McALLISTER FAMILIES

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#### CELEBRATION OF LIFE



Sunrise
September 15, 1945

Sunset
November 7, 2019

Friday, November 22, 2019 Visitation: 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Celebration of Life: 10:30 a.m.

Baucom's Life Celebration & Cremation Services 9480 Lewis & Clark Blvd. Saint Louis, Missouri 63136

> Rev. Landis Fisher, Officiant St. Timothy Missionary Baptist

# Celebrating The Life Of William Harrison Edwards Sr.

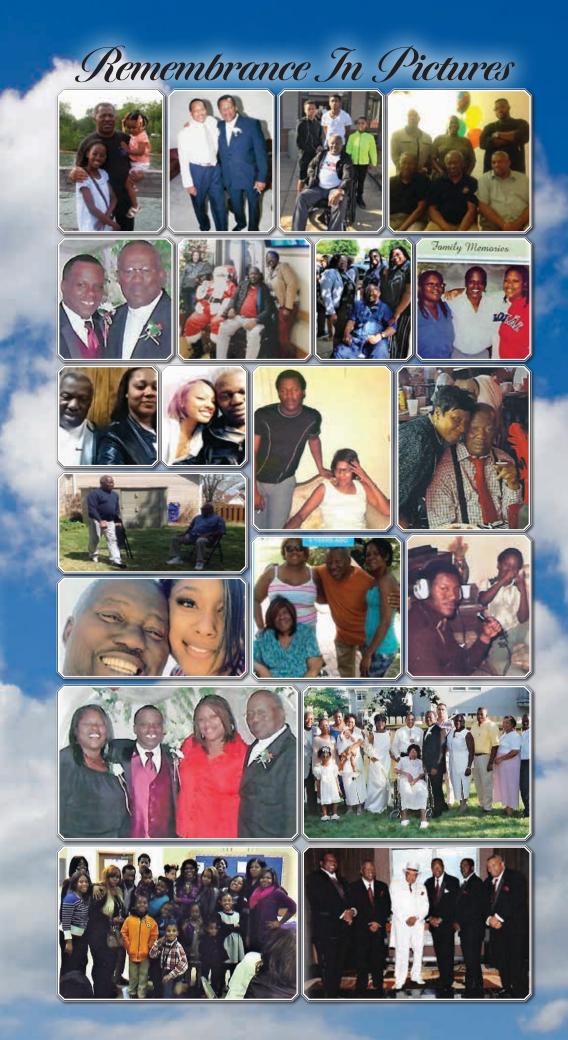


William was known to his friends and family as "Harry", "Willie Ed", and "E-Money." Harry was born September 15, 1945, in Saint Louis, Missouri, to Moses and Pearl Ivy Edwards. He was the third son of six children, five boys and one girl. Both parents; two brothers, Richard and Vincent; and Harry's only beloved son, William "Boo" Edwards, Jr., preceded him in death.

Harry attended the St. Louis public schools, graduating from Vashon High School in 1964, where he was known as the 'Drummer'. He immediately joined the U.S. Air Force, where he served as a medic. Harry later served 12 years and seven months in the Missouri Air National Guard as a reservist in the Aerospace Medical Services Division (131 MDS). He received many awards and honors during his service tenure such as the Air Force Commendation Medal, Air Force Achievement Medal, Humanitarian Service Award, and the Meritorious Unit Award to name a few. Harry retired from the military as a TSGT (Technical Sargent) in 2006.

Harry was employed with the U.S. Postal Service as a mail carrier for more than 40 years. While there, he also served as a shop steward. He was dedicated to his job and his fellow employees. Other achievements included his service as an emergency medical service driver with Abbott Ambulance Services. While the Post Office and Air National Guard were his vocation and avocation, music was his passion. Harry loved all kinds of music, but Motown sounds were his favorites. Even in his last days, he was playing instruments (arms waving in the air, fingers playing the piano or the horn, and fist pumping as he drummed), and his almost silent lips singing along with the music playing.

William Harrison Edwards Sr. leaves to mourn his passing: two daughters, Melody McAllister and Lazundra Edwards of St. Louis, MO; one stepdaughter, Aneca (Missy) Luss of St. Louis, MO; one daughter-in-law, Vera (the late William) Edwards of Belleville, IL; two brothers, Charles Ivy of Dover, DE and Clarence (Gail) Edwards of St. Louis, MO; one sister, Josephine (Joe) Pastchal of St. Louis, MO; two sisters-in-law, Jacquelyn (Jacque) Edwards and Judy Edwards of St. Louis, MO; 17 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins. Harry was blessed to have many, many friends and caregivers who loved him dearly and will miss him forever.



# Order of Service

Prelude

Mistress of Ceremonies...... Jacqueline Cox

Musical Selection

Prayer

**Musical Selection** 

Life Reflections......Read Silently

**Acknowledgements and Condolences** 

Words of Remembrance...... Two Minutes Each Vera Edwards Sherrica Campbell Clarence Edwards Others

**Musical Selection** 

Eulogy ......Rev. Landis Fisher
St. Timothy Missionary Baptist

Benediction

Recessional

Interment
Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery
2900 Sheridan Road
St. Louis, Missouri 63125

Repast
Fashions R (The Warehouse)
11833 New Halls Ferry Road
Ferguson, Missouri