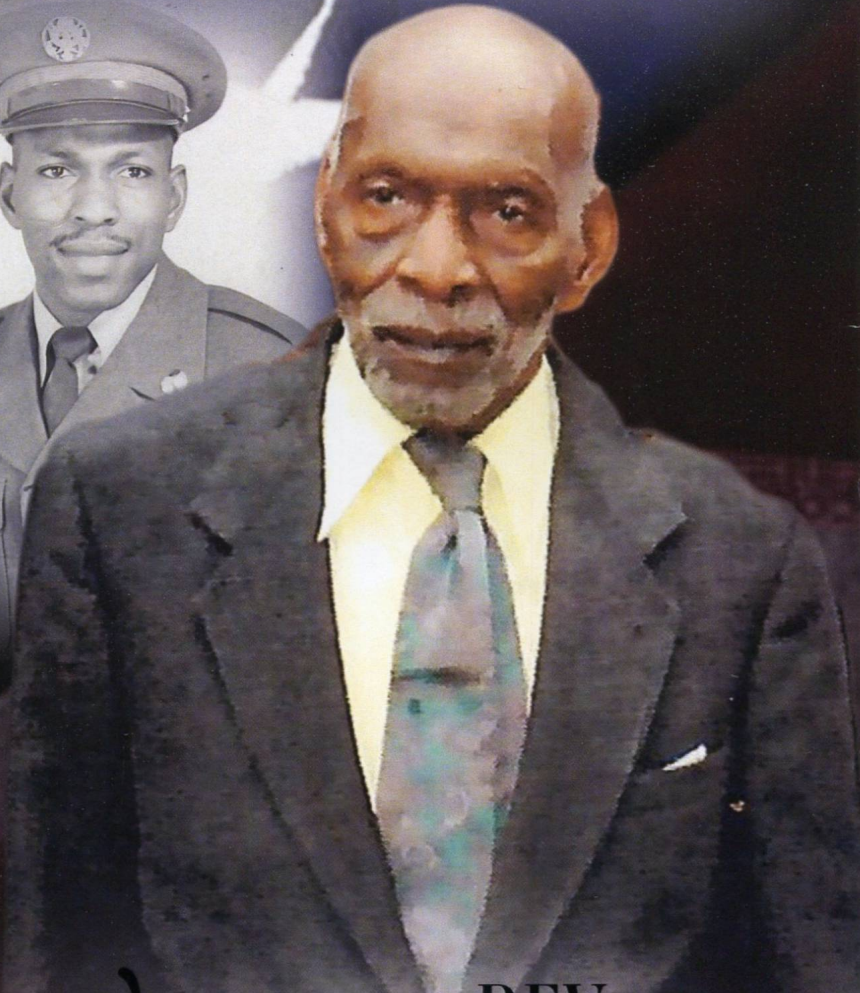


IN LOVING MEMORY OF



REV.
Willie
CLARENCE BANKS

SUNRISE

April 1, 1921

SUNSET

July 14, 2024

Saturday, July 20, 2024 | Noon

BALD ROCK BAPTIST CHURCH
2284 Old Covington Road Northeast
Conyers, Georgia 30013
Pastor Chris Shipp, Senior Pastor

Bishop Dante Smith, Officiating

Obituary

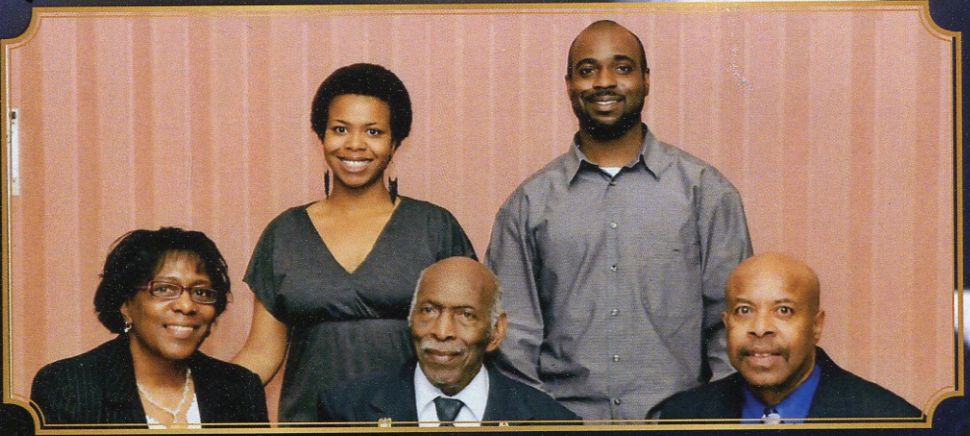
Willie Clarence Banks was born April 1, 1921, to Mr. Sammie Banks and Mattie Mae Lackey Banks. He was the fourth of eleven children. He was preceded in death by his parents and seven siblings. He transitioned to the arms of Jesus on Sunday, July 14, 2024.

Willie Clarence did not like farm life, and he knew in order for him to get a good paying job he would need an education. He enlisted in the United States Army, where he was educated. During his military stay, he met Mildred Franklin, and his first child, Willie Mae, was the result of this relationship. Willie Clarence married Eula Bell Lett on December 24, 1960, and they became parents of two daughters, Carla Banks and Robin Banks Camp. He retired from the Army as a Korean and WWII veteran. He became a postal worker and retired in 1986.

He joined the Bald Rock Baptist Church at an early age and faithfully served as a deacon and usher under the leadership of Reverend Robert Shaw. He sang in the Rockdale Male Choir which was later named the Bald Rock Male Chorus. In 1988, he was ordained as a minister. He served as a faithful member until his health failed.

Precious memories of Willie Clarence will live on and be cherished by his daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Mae Wells of Roswell, GA, Ms. Carla Banks of Villa Rica, GA, and Ms. Robin Banks Camp of Conyers, GA; two granddaughters, Helen Banks and Tatiana Camp; one grandson, Armand Banks; several great-grandchildren; one sister, Elizabeth "Queen Liz" Robinson of Conyers, GA; two brothers, Willie B. Banks of Covington, GA, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Banks of Lithonia, GA; devoted niece and caregiver, Deacon Ronald and Glenda Reynolds of Conley, GA; two sisters-in-law, Ms. Betty Lett and Ms. Juanita Lett of Conyers, GA; and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, and many friends of the Needmore Street Community and various churches including Macedonia, Rock Springs, and Knox Chapel.

Precious Memories



Order of Service

Pastor Chris Shipp, Presiding

Prelude

Processional

Military Honors

Opening Hymn

Prayer

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament Russell Strickland, Jr.

New Testament Minister Eddie Giles

Music Selection

Reflection Longleaf Hospice
Sister Racheal Ellis, Chaplin

Family Tributes Glenda Reynolds, Niece and Caregiver
Mr. Dwayne Banks, Nephew

Solo Sister Willie Mae Wells, Daughter

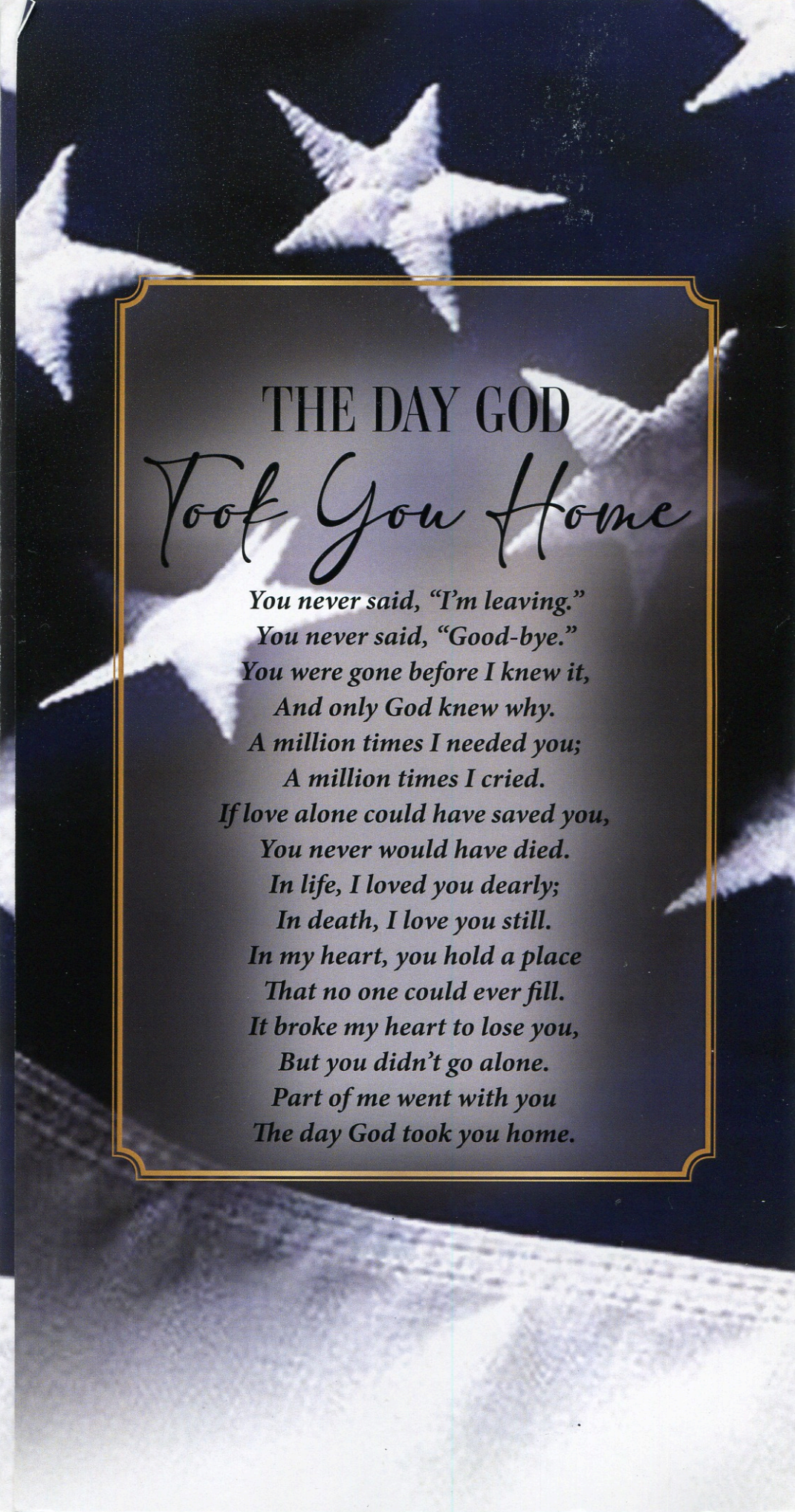
Remarks *Limit to Two Minutes, Please*

Video Tribute

Eulogy Bishop Dante Smith

Acknowledgements

Recessional



THE DAY GOD
Took You Home

*You never said, "I'm leaving."
You never said, "Good-bye."
You were gone before I knew it,
And only God knew why.
A million times I needed you;
A million times I cried.
If love alone could have saved you,
You never would have died.
In life, I loved you dearly;
In death, I love you still.
In my heart, you hold a place
That no one could ever fill.
It broke my heart to lose you,
But you didn't go alone.
Part of me went with you
The day God took you home.*

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Flower Bearers

Family and Friends

Interment

Union Springs Baptist Church

2730 Old Mill Road

Rutledge, Georgia 30663

Acknowledgement

The family of Reverend Willie Clarence Banks would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions. Your phone calls, visits, flowers, thoughts, and prayers have all helped greatly during our time of bereavement.

May God continue to bless each of you, is our prayer.

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