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YOUR WORDS HAVE COMFORTED US, YOUR SUPPORT HAS STRENGTHENED US, AND YOUR LOVE HAS SUSTAINED US. WE EXTEND OUR DEEPEST THANKS TO YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS DURING OUR GREATEST SADNESS. WE APPRECIATE IT MORE THAN WORDS CAN EXPRESS AND IT WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED

The Family of Melvin T. O'Neal

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Song of Praise Mrs. Alice Lee

Old Testament: Psalms 23 Symone Taylor

New Testament: Romans 14 7-9 10c-12 Marisa Gamboa

Prayer of Comfort Reverend Franklin Rawls

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The Legacy of Melvin

Our Heavenly Father called Melvin Thomas O'Neal to his heavenly home on June 7th, 2024.

Melvin was born to Lovely and Tom Percy O'Neal on January 17th, 1944 in Selma, North Carolina. Melvin grew up in Selma and graduated from Harrison High School.

Melvin served in the United States Army during the Vietnam conflict. Melvin was honored and proud to have given his best efforts. Upon return from his service in the Army, he married his lifelong friend; Dorothy W. O'Neal. From their union, they had four children: Tisha O'Neal-Gamboa of the home, Melvin Derrick O'Neal (Toni) of Raleigh, NC, Stella Michelle O'Neal (Patrick) of Knightdale, NC, and Kathryn Vanessa O'Neal of Selma, NC.

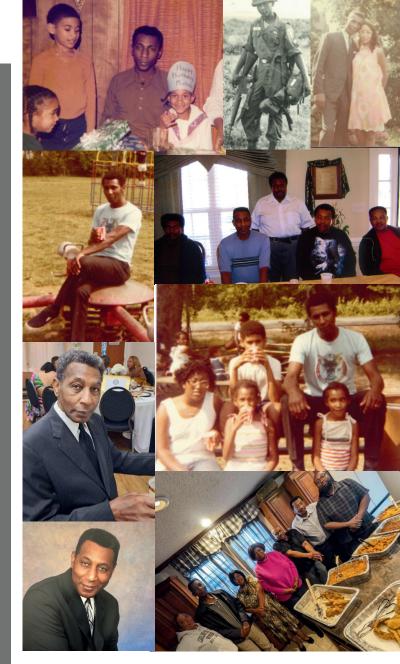
Melvin took pride in being a good provider beginning his work career at Burlington in Smithfield and continuing with Cutter Laboratories, Miles Laboratories, Bayer Corporation, and Telecris Pharmaceuticals all of Clayton, NC. Melvin retired from Grifols in Clayton, NC.

Melvin attended Feed His Sheep Ministries of Clayton where he served as a Deacon for many years. In his retirement years, Melvin enjoyed traveling and spending time with his family and friends. Melvin was a die-hard Dallas Cowboy fan; and enjoyed constructing race tracks, model trains, and completing puzzles. His favorite pastime was breaking bread and eating with family and friends.

He was predeceased by three brothers, Paul, Neavell, and Billy Ray O'Neal, and a sister, Diane Bookman.

Melvin leaves to honor and cherish his name his four children, a sister Betty Mance (Freddie) of Toccoa, Georgia; a brother Joseph O'Neal (Pat) of Willow Springs, NC; and five grandchildren (Marisa, Darius, Alana, Alicia, Symone); four aunts (Jersey Holden of Wendell, NC, Therlene O'Neal of Selma, NC, Elvaultia Mail of Raleigh, NC, and Elventa Thomas of District Heights, Maryland).

Melvin will be remembered as a loving and kind father and will be cherished forever.



A Letter From Heaven

When Tomorrow starts without me And I'm not there to see If the sun should 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 HERE IN YOUR HEART!