

# Acknowledgement

THE FAMILY OF DEACON PERCY WATKINS WISHES TO EXTEND THEIR GRATITUDE TO THE MANY FAMILIES, FRIENDS AND LOVED ONES, WHO TOOK THE TIME FROM THEIR DAILY SCHEDULE TO SHARE WITH US YOUR LOVE AND SUPPORT. WE ARE TRULY THANKFUL FOR EVERY CARD, PHONE CALL, FOOD, GIFTS, AND ABUNDANCE OF LOVE AND SUPPORT THAT WAS SHOWN BOTH NEAR AND FAR. MAY GOD BLESS YOU GREATLY AND WE WILL NEVER FORGET YOUR LABOR OF LOVE.

## I'M FREE

**DON'T GRIEVE FOR ME, FOR NOW I'M FREE,  
I'M FOLLOWING THE PATH GOD LAID FOR ME.  
I TOOK HIS HAND WHEN I HEARD HIM CALL;  
I TURNED MY BACK AND LEFT IT ALL.  
I COULD NOT STAY ANOTHER DAY,  
TO LAUGH, TO LOVE, TO WORK AND PLAY.  
TASKS LEFT UNDONE MUST STAY THAT WAY;  
I FOUND THAT PLACE AT THE CLOSE OF DAY.  
IF MY PARTING HAS LEFT A VOID,  
THEN FILL IT WITH REMEMBERED JOY.  
A FRIENDSHIP SHARED, A LAUGH, A KISS;  
AH YES, THESE THINGS, I TOO WILL MISS.  
BE NOT BURDENED WITH TIMES OF SORROW;  
I WISH YOU THE SUNSHINE OF TOMORROW.  
MY LIFE'S BEEN FULL, I SAVORED MUCH;  
GOOD FRIENDS, GOOD TIMES, A LOVED ONE'S TOUCH.  
PERHAPS MY TIME SEEMS ALL TOO BRIEF;  
DON'T LENGTHEN IT NOW WITH UNDUE GRIEF.  
LIFT UP YOUR HEART AND SHARE WITH ME,  
GOD WANTED ME NOW, HE SET ME FREE.**

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# CELEBRATION OF LIFE



## Deacon Percy Watkins

December 17, 1933 - November 09, 2024

Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ

8310 Holmes Road. Kansas City, MO 64131

Saturday, November 23, 2024 10:00am

*Bishop Daniel Chavis Jr., Officiating*

Pallbearers

Shaune Frazier

Carlos Sanders

Michael Jay Sanders

James Sanders

Joshua Sanders

Jordan Sanders

Honorary Pallbearers

Herbert Shipp

Larry Sanders

Michael Sanders

Willie Williams

Phines Sanders

ACJC Deacon Board

## *Life Reflections*

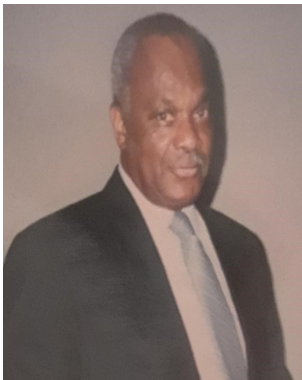
Deacon Percy Watkins was born on December 17, 1933, to Walter and Katherine Watkins in Kansas City, MO. He was educated in the Kansas City, Missouri school system and graduated from R.T. Coles High School. Percy proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corps from 1953 to 1956.

After his military service, Percy worked various jobs before retiring from his final position with the United States Postal Service, where he worked from 1990 to 2000. Percy met the love of his life, Frankie Lee Sanders, at a McDonald's and pursued her tirelessly until she said yes. His love for Frankie was unwavering; he would even drive from 10th Street to 47th Street during winter to clean her car—a testament to their beautiful love story. Percy and Frankie were united in holy matrimony on November 25, 1979.

Deacon Percy Watkins was baptized in Jesus' Name at the Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ under the leadership of Bishop Daniel Chavis Jr. He was deeply devoted to God, his family—especially his grandchildren—his church family, and his passion for serving others. He had a heart for helping those in need, often giving freely of his time and resources, even before they knew they needed it. Percy also had a lifelong love for skating, which brought him much joy.

On Saturday, November 9, 2024, Deacon Percy Watkins peacefully departed this life at home, surrounded by his family and under the care of hospice. He was preceded in death by his immediate family, with the exception of one sister, Laura Warfield.

Deacon Percy leaves to cherish his memory his devoted wife of 45 years, Frankie Watkins; his sister, Laura Warfield; two sons, Elder Larry (Renita) Sanders and Minister Michael (Monica) Sanders; three daughters, Beverly (Will) Williams, Pastor Angela Hollins, Barbara J. Waldron; one brother-in-law, Herbert Jr. (Rose) Shipp; 22 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; 7 great-great-grandchildren; and a host of other relatives, his ACJC Church family, and many friends.



## *Order of Service*

**Prelude**

**Soft Music**

**Pulpit Conductor**

**Asst. Pastor Henry Young**

**Old Testament**

**Psalms 49:15**

**Deacon Gary Sisson**

**New Testament**

**2Corinthians 5:1**

**Deacon Cornell Perry**

**Prayer**

**Asst. Pastor Rueben Johnson**

**Selection**

**"I Won't Complain"**

**Minister Byron Gunn**

**Acknowledgments  
& Condolence**

**Asst. Pastor Monica Sanders**

**Life Reflections**

**Video Tribute**

**Remarks**

**Family & Friends**

**2 Mins Please  
Deacon Larry Anderson  
First Lady Joan Chavis  
Kierra Arnett  
Pastor Angela Hollins  
Asst. Pastor Michael Sanders  
Asst. Pastor Larry Sanders**

**Selection**

**"Holy Ghost Power "**

**ACJC Choir**

**Eulogy**

**Bishop Daniel Chavis Jr.**

**Benediction/  
Recessional**

Internment  
Monday November 25, 2024 @ 12:30 PM  
Leavenworth National Cemetery  
150 Muncie Road  
Fort Leavenworth, KS 66048