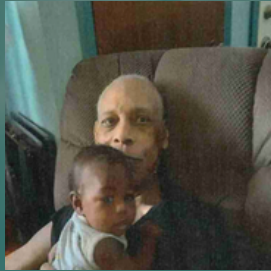


# Acknowledgments

The family of the late George Layne wishes to acknowledge their deepest appreciation and sincere gratitude for the comforting prayers, messages, floral tributes, food and other acts of kindness extended them during their time of bereavement. May god richly bless. you.



## *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 His call, I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work, to play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way I've found that peace at the close of the 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 burden with ties of sorrow. I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I savored much. Good friend, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed 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 FOR

# GEORGE ROBERTO LAYNE, JR.



JULY 31, 1946 — AUGUST 16, 2023

**Resurrection of Our Lord Catholic Church**

August 24, 2023 | 10:00AM

112 Fell Street Savannah, GA 31401

Reverend Robert E. Chaney, Officiating

LIFE REFLECTIONS **GEORGE**  
**ROBERTO LAYNE, JR.**

George Roberto Layne, Jr. was born in the Canal Zone in the Republic of Panama on July 31, 1946 and passed peacefully at home on Wednesday, August 16 2023. George received his parochial education in Panama City, Panama. He was a proud graduate of Paraiso High School of the Canal Zone, class of 1965.

As a young man George worked at the Panama Canal 1968-1978. During 1978 he joined the United States Army retiring after 20 years of active service. In July 1998 he became a Correction Officer for the Georgia Department of Correction where he met and married his loving wife, Toni. He retired in 2009.

George began his love of music as a teenager. He sang and taught himself to play the guitar. This love of music became an integral part of his life. When he became a member Resurrection of Our Lord, he immediately joined the Voices of Resurrection Choir and was a loving part of this ministry for several years. On November 22, 2015, he received the Bishop Francis X. Gartland Service Award for distinguished service to the church. Because of his talents, George was requested to play at several other houses of worship including Bethlehem Baptist, Butler Memorial Presbyterian, Holy Spirit Lutheran and St. Matthews Episcopal.

George was predeceased by his mother Virginia Palmer Layne and his father George Layne Sr.

He is survived by his devoted wife Antoinette 'Toni' Layne, two brothers, Carlos Layne (Marian) of Augusta, GA, Omar Layne (Mariela) of Orlando, FL, and one sister, Laura 'Minnie' Layne of San Antonio, TX, three sons Derick Layne (Martha) of Jacksonville, FL, Joel Layne of Panama City, Panama and Malik Walker and two daughter Desyree Layne Gonzales of Miami, FL and Miracle Shanae Layne of Louisiana and a host of grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## GATHERING RITE

Greeting  
Processional Hymn  
I will Bless the Lord at All times.....Combined Choirs

## BLESSING OF THE BODY PLACING OF THE PALL

## OPENING PRAYER

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING

Ecclesiastes 3:1-11.....Mrs. Valarie Reeves

### RESPONSE

He is Lord.....Combined Choirs

### SECOND READING

Romans 5: 1-5 .....Mrs. Laura Layne

Gospel Matthew 5: 1-12

### HOMILY

Fr. R. Chaney

### MUSICAL SELECTION

How Great Is Our God.....Combined Choirs

### GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts  
Eucharistic Prayer  
Memorial acclamation  
Communion Rite

### MUSICAL SELECTION

Total Praise.....Combined Choirs

### REFLECTIONS:

Final Commendation  
Recessional Hymn  
Going up Yonder.....Combined Choirs

### PALL BEARER

L.H. JOHNSON  
BRANDON WASHINGTON  
KYLE BYARS

DARREL JORDAN  
JERRY THOMPSON  
ALEX BYARS

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