Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Flower Bearers

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Interment

Monday, June 26, 2023 | 9:00 AM
Washington Crossing National Cemetery
830 Highland Road
Newtown, Pennsylvania 18940

Acknowledgement

The family of Charles Wilson 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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The life Story

CHARLES LESTER WILSON, affectionately known as "Wheats", was born on February 9, 1934, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to the late Charles Wilson and Eunice Jones. On Friday, June 9, 2023, he entered into eternal rest with his daughter, Charlotte, aka "The Brown Bomber," at his side.

Charles and his cousin, the late William Upshaw, were raised in a loving and nurturing home environment by their grandparents, Randolph and Lucy Upshaw.

Charles received his formal education in the Philadelphia Public School System. He graduated from Murrell Dobbins High School in 1954. Following graduation, he enlisted in the United States Air Force, where he attained the rank of Airman 2nd Class. He received an Honorable Discharge in December 1956.

Charles was united in marriage to the late Ruth Webster on May 27, 1955. Their union was blessed with four children, Sheila, Charlotte, Charles Jr., and the late Dondi.

Charles was hard working and held several positions following his return from active military service. He worked in the Maintenance Division of SEPTA and in the Sanitation Division of the Streets Department, City of Philadelphia. He retired in 1985 after over 25 years of outstanding service. He could not remain idle and went to work part-time at the ARAMARK Company and worked there until his health began to fail.

"Wheats" loved all types of sports, especially basketball. He was an avid Eagles fan and loved shopping with his niece, Sharon, at Walmart, Sam's Club, and Macy's. He was outgoing and friendly, he always enjoyed time with friends and neighbors. The highlight of many days was time spent with his "Dialysis Buddies" from Davita Dialysis Center at 13th and Lehigh. In spite of his health challenges, Wheats' kind and generous spirit, along with his great sense of humor, were always front and center.

Following Charles' transition, his first born daughter, Khadyah (Sheila), in the midst of mourning his passing, made her transition and joined him in eternity. As a family we believe they are together and we celebrate the blessings of the life and love we shared with them, even as we grieve our loss.

Charles leaves to cherish fond memories: his daughter, Charlotte V. Wilson; son, Charles Lester Wilson, Jr. (Gwen); son-in-law, Leon Shamsiddeen; cousins, Fay, Michael, and Wendell Upshaw; 13 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren; and a host of friends.

"Now the laborer's task is o'er; Now the battle day is past.

Now upon the farther shore, Lands the voyager at last.

Father into thy gracious keeping, Leave we now thy servant sleeping"





Order of Service

Reverend Albert Johnson, Officiating

Musical Prelude	Organist/Musician
Processional	
Closing of the Bier	
Opening Hymn	
Prayer of Comfort	Associate Minister, Mt. Tabor A.M.E. Church
Scripture Readings Old Testament New Testament	Psalm 23 Evangelist Jackie Owens Mt. Tabor A.M.E. Church John 14:1-6 Reverend Jovan Moore Associate Minister, Mt. Tabor A.M.E. Church
Selection	
Reflections On Behalf of Family On Behalf of Friends	Sister Raheemah Hampton, Granddaughter Open
Acknowledgement of Cards and Condolences	Sister Juanita Bryant
Reading of the Obituary	
Selection	Brother Roddy Eason
Eulogy	

Benediction

Recessional





