

Celebration of Life

For

Mr. Willie T. Green, Sr.

*Sunrise
November 24, 1954*



*Sunset
December 27, 2020*

Tuesday, January 5, 2020

12:00 P.M.

Graveside Services

*Bonaventure Cemetery-Greenwich Section
Bonaventure Road Savannah Georgia*

Reverend Anthony R. Scott, Sr., Officiating/Eulogist

*St. James African Methodist Church
632 East Broad Street Savannah, Georgia*

*Bishop Reginald T. Jackson
Presiding Prelate, Sixth Episcopal*

Life Journey

Willie T. Green, Sr. came into this world as a bouncing baby boy on November 24, 1954 to the parents of Thomas and Thelma Green.

Willie was baptized as a youth during the pastorate of Reverend B. C. Caldwell at St. James African Methodist Episcopal Church. His spiritual life led him to sing with the Gussie White Youth Choir, become a member of the Young People Department (YPD) and serve on the Youth Usher Board. Willie attended Sunday School and participated with the Easter programs. As an adult, he continued his involvement with the church, being elected as a Trustee, serving as the Recording Secretary.

Willie matriculated through the Savannah-Chatham County Public School System, attending Frank W. Spencer Elementary (A. B. Williams Elementary), Sol C. Johnson Junior High and graduating from Richard Arnold High School in 1972. He continued his education at Savannah State College (Savannah State University) where he pledged Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., Delta Eta Chapter the Spring of 1975. Hence the name "Clyde" evolved from his pledge line, which has been his nickname for life. During this venture, David Miller, his line Brother, and Willie became lifelong friends.

After graduating in 1978, Willie became employed with the Liberty and Chatham Counties Public School Systems. In 1998, Willie relocated to teach with the Clayton County Public School System. Upon retiring in 2013, Willie was elected as vice president of the Georgia Chapter of the National Education Association, traveling from the east to the west coasts, representing Georgia's educational system.

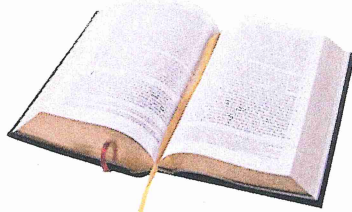
Knowing that his need to care for his mother, Willie relocated home in 2017 and reunited his fellowship with St. James. He was elected as Trustee-serving as Leasing Agent for the Wilson Bostic Complex. He chaired the 155th Church anniversary and was appointed by Reverend Anthony R. Scott Sr. to serve on the Commission on Stewardship and Finance.

Being a life member of AΦA, his work did not go unnoticed, as he was elected as President of the Delta Eta Chapter at Savannah State, Vice President of the Eta Lambda in Atlanta and was currently serving as Vice President of the Beta Phi Lambda Chapter in Savannah. He was excitingly proud of the proud of the dedication of the Chapman Memorial Garden, located near the Savannah State campus in Thunderbolt Georgia.

Willie was known for his cigars, the black and gold colored convertible mustang and the Black Corvette Stingray.

Willie's labor in the vineyard came to a rest on Sunday, December 27, 2020, as he said "I AM TIRED" and stretched out his hands to heaven as Gabriel sounded the horn and opened heaven's gate for Willie to join his father, Thomas, grandparents Rosa and Willie O'Neal (Neal) Singleton and his uncles Joe and Melvin.

Cherishing life memories are: sons, Mr. Willie T. Green, Jr. and Mr. Christopher (Cassandra) Green and grandson, Master Carson Green; uncles: Mr. Amos Wing of St. Helena SC and Mr. Alex Wing, Brownsville, NJ; aunts: Mrs. Julia Johnson St. Helena, SC, Mrs. Beulah Oliver and Mrs. Florence Wing, both of Bronx, NY and Mrs. Celia Singleton, Savannah, GA; cousins: Mrs. Jackie Johnson SC, Mrs. Geneva Golden, Ms. Melquetta Singleton, Melvyn Singleton, Malyia Singleton, and a host of other relatives and friends; a loving and devoted fiancée', Ms. Kjersten Palmer.



Order of Service

Congregational Hymn

Sister Mildred Carter

The Invocation

Reverend Sylvester Lang
Ministerial Staff, St. James AME Church

The Scriptures

Old Testament

Elder T. Martin Flowers
Berean Bible Chapel, Savannah, GA

New Testament

Reverend Gloria Lang
Ministerial Staff, St. James AME Church

The Expression

The Resolution

Sister Salathia A. White
Church Secretary

The Congregational Hymn

Sister Mildred Carter

The Eulogy

Reverend Anthony R. Scott, Sr.
Senior Pastor, St. James AME Church

Interment

Bonaventure Cemetery-Greenwich Section

Invictus

Out of the night that covers me,
Black as the Pit from pole to pole,
I thank whatever gods may be
For my unconquerable soul.

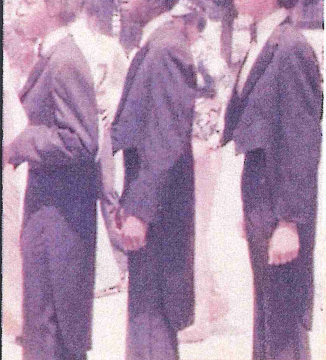
In the fell clutch of circumstance
I have not winced nor cried aloud.
Under the bludgeonings of chance
My head is bloody, but unbowed.

Beyond this place of wrath and tears
Looms but the Horror of the shade,
And yet the menace of the years
Finds, and shall find, me unafraid.

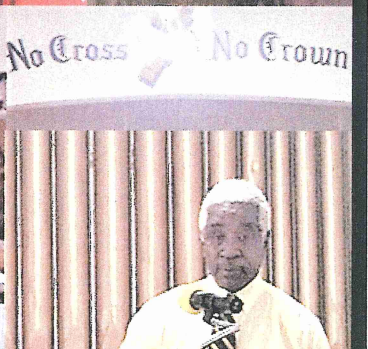
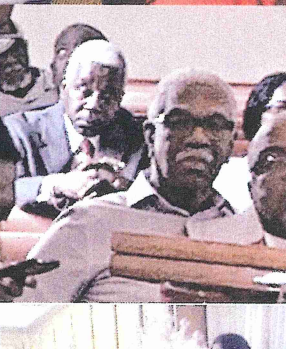
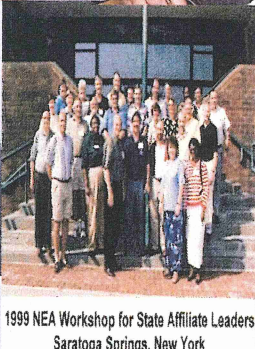
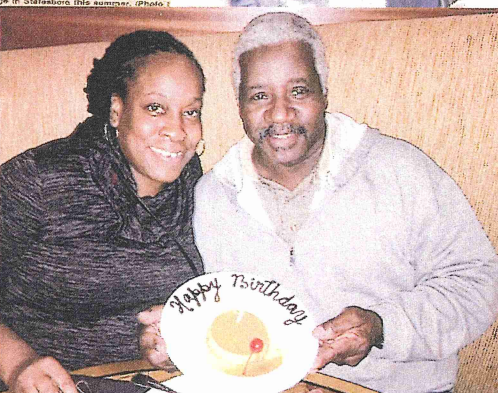
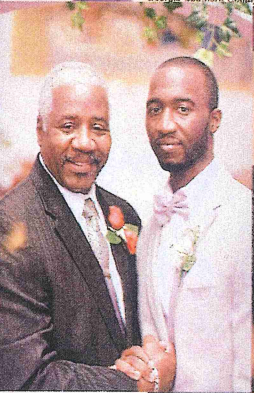
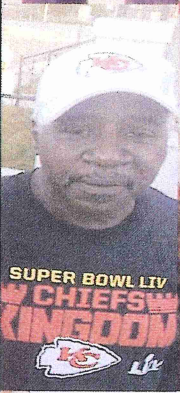
It matters not how strait the gate,
How charged with
punishments the scroll.
I am the master of my fate:
I am the captain of my soul.

William Ernest Henley

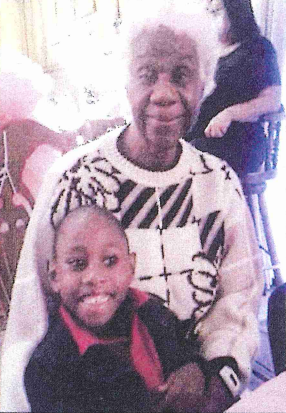
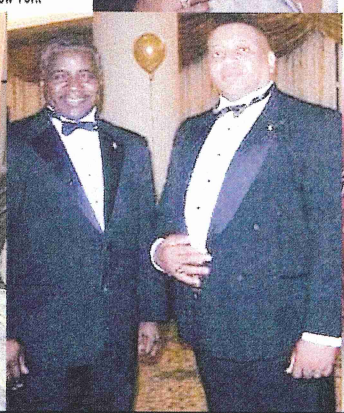
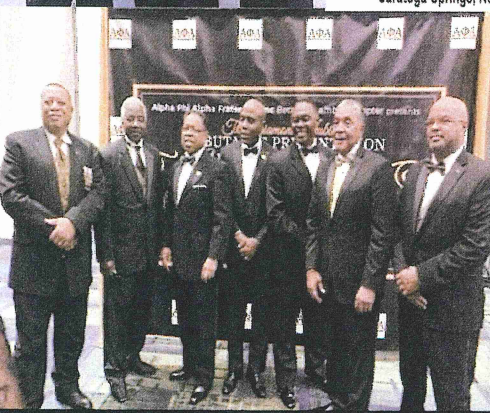
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MIDWAY SUBSTITUTE TEACHER — Liberty Elementary Substitute Teacher Willie Green is shown giving instructions to the student teacher Cheryl Barrett of Midway. She will be graduating from Georgia Southern College in Statesboro this summer. (Photo)



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Honorary Pall Bearers

*The Senior Board of Trustees - St. James AME Church
Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., Beta Phi Lambda Chapter*

Floral Attendants

*Lizzie Porter Cook Womens Missionary Society
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.*

Acknowledgements

Words are inadequate to express the measure of the gratitude for the out pouring of love. We treasure the support and prayers extended by you during our most difficult time. your telephone calls and concerns have blessed us dearly. As we face the days ahead without our beloved member, we know that he will live on in the hearts and minds of those who knew and loved him. Special thanks to the endearing cousins, Ms. Jackie Johnson and Mrs. Geneva Golden and caretaker, Mrs. Deniece Williams who assisted Willie with providing loving care and support with his mother, Mrs. Thelma Green.

**Services Entrusted to
Adams Funeral Services**

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