

Pallbearers

Edwards Small Mortuary Staff

Honorary Pallbearers

Christopher Lindsey
David Lindsey, Jr
Jalen T. Lindsey
John W. Lindsey III

Kevin Lindsey
Ryan D. Johnson
Julius Releford
Juwana Releford

Flower Bearers

Granddaughters & Nieces

Acknowledgements

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent beautiful flowers, that we saw sitting there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, as any friend could say. Perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you so much for whatever part.

Peace and Blessings,
The Lindsey Family

The children of John Wesley Lindsey Sr. would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the dedicated staff of Heartland Hospice and caregivers Tameka McGhee and Marilyn George for their compassionate care and support during our father's final months. Your kindness and expertise made a difficult time more bearable, and we are forever grateful for the comfort and dignity you provided.

Professional Services Entrusted to



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"But God"

A Celebration of Life



JOHN WESLEY LINDSEY, SR

SUNRISE
July 31, 1950

SUNSET
July 11, 2024

Thursday, July 18, 2024
Faith Babies Ministries COGBF
1000 Tulip Drive
Fort Valley, GA 31030

Rev. Ellison Kendrick, Eulogist

*"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race,
I have kept the faith"
2 Timothy 4:7*

THE LIFE JOURNEY OF
JOHN WESLEY LINDSEY, SR

Mr. John Wesley Lindsey Sr. was born July 31, 1950 to the late Willie Lee Lindsey Jr and the late Ora Bell Lindsey. He is preceded in death by the love of his life Sherrill Elaine Lindsey, brothers: Charles Lindsey, Napoleon Lindsey and Larry Lindsey & sisters: Gloria Cobb and Mildred Lindsey.

John dedicated his life to Christ at an early age and was a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church in Fort Valley, GA where he was a devoted deacon and Sunday school teacher until his health started to decline.

John attended Peach County public schools in Fort Valley, Georgia and was a high school graduate of Henry A. Hunt High School. He also received a B.A in Social Work from Fort Valley State College in 1988. He worked in the field of Social Work for many years; but everyone that knew him, recognized that his passion was farming. He worked for The Fort Valley State University's "Life on the Farm" program and retired in 2012; but came back to work part-time until 2019.

John learned the value of hard work and perseverance very young. His passion for agriculture was evident in everything he did, from planting crops to raising livestock. Throughout his life, he touched the lives of many in the community with his generosity, kindness, and willingness to lend a hand. He was always eager to share his knowledge and expertise with others, and his farm was a place of learning and inspiration for all who visited.

He leaves to cherish his memory four children: Christina L. Lindsey, John W. Lindsey Jr (Kimberly), Willie L. Lindsey III (Renata), Tracey D. Johnson (Joey); a niece he's raised as his own, Collette M. Releford; two siblings: Nancy L. Lindsey, David Lindsey (Eula); nine grandchildren: Deja Lindsey, Kamea Lindsey, John Lindsey III, Jalen Lindsey, Destiny Lindsey, Jalexia Lindsey, Ryan Johnson, Aubrielle Johnson, and Ka'Lyn Lindsey; two great grandchildren: Kamora Tucker and Kiion Tucker; a sister-in-law, Kathy Williams; a host of nieces, nephews, in-laws and dear friends.

"Well done, good and faithful servant. Thou hast been faithful over a few things; I will make thee ruler over many things. Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." Matthew 25:23



FARM, FAMILY AND FUN

CHILDREN, A DAD'S BEST GIFT FROM GOD



GRANDCHILDREN, LIFE'S GREATEST BLESSING

CLOSE THE GATE

By Nancy Kraayenhof

For this one farmer the worries are over, lie down and rest your head,
Your time has been and struggles enough, put the tractor in the shed.

Years were not easy, many downright hard, but your faith in God transcended,
Put away your tools and sleep in peace, the fences have all been mended.

You raised a fine family, worked the land well and always followed the Son,
Hang up your shovel inside of the barn, your work here on earth is done.

A faith few possess led your journey through life, often a jagged and stony way,
The sun is setting, the cattle are all bedded, and here now is the end of your day.

Your love of God's soil has passed on to your kin; the stories flow like fine wine,
Wash off your work boots in the puddle left by blessed rain one final time.

You always believed that the good Lord would provide and He always had somehow,
Take off your gloves and put them down, no more sweat and worry for you now.

Your labor is done, your home now is heaven; no more must you wait,
Your legacy lives on, your love of the land, and we will close the gate.

THE LOVE OF HIS LIFE



Order of Celebration

Officiant, Reverend Dr. John Davis

Prelude

Processional "The Storm is Over Now" Kirk Franklin
"The Battle Is the Lords" Yolanda Adams

Prayer of Comfort.....Reverend Dr. Bobby G. West

Old Testament Reading.....Deacon Donnie Lyons

New Testament Reading.....Deacon Ronald Adams

Solo.....Edikan Essiet "Jesus I Love Calling Your Name"

Reflections

(Two minutes or less please)

Selection.....Near the Cross

Obituary Reading (Silently)....."I'm Gonna Be Ready" Yolanda Adams

Eulogy/Sermon.....Reverend Ellison Kendrick

Acknowledgements.....Edwards Small Mortuary

Recessional....."Let the Church Say Amen" Andrae Crouch
"I Told the Storm" Greg O'Quin

"...To be absent from the body, is to be present with the Lord"

2 Corinthians 5:8



Interment

Oak Grove Baptist Church
3952 River Road
Fort Valley, GA 31030