



Mr. Willie Edward McNeil

April 10, 1944 - December 7, 2019

Mr. Willie McNeil, age 75, passed away in the early hours of the day on Saturday, December 7, 2019 at his home in Durham, North Carolina surrounded by his loving wife, Carrie and his medical associates. Born in Erwin, North Carolina (Harnett County) on April 10, 1944, he was the son of Thomas Cameron and Mamie McNeil.

While in elementary school, Willie's family moved to Durham, North Carolina where he was educated in the Durham Public School system. There he met Carrie Sutton whom he married in 1962. To this union, three children were born. Willie loved his family and often said that having a family was a "beautiful thing". He loved to talk and had many conversations with his children. He would always give them advice on the joys and challenges of living. He was a member of Bethel Freewill Baptist Church in Erwin, North Carolina.

For more than thirty years, Willie was employed at Duke University in the Anatomy Department as a technician. He enjoyed traveling throughout the country. His main hobby was fishing.

Willie is preceded in death by his son Michael.

Left to cherish Willie's memories are his wife of fifty-seven years, Carrie Sutton McNeil; two daughters, Jennifer "Robin" Cole (Jeffrey) and Pamela McNeil; one son, Maurice Watson; four grandchildren, Cordero McNeil, Aissia Bedell, Camary Ferguson and Autumn Ferguson; one great grandchild, Gaia Brown; five brothers, Thomas Cameron (Elaine), Frederick Cameron (Mary), John Cameron (Mary), Larry Cameron (Marie) and Harvey Cameron (Elaine); sister-in-law, Patricia Sutton; brother-in-law, Von Sutton; special relatives, Uncle George (Edith) Cameron and Aunt Georgia Cameron; a special friend, Chester Hughes; special brother and sister, Fisher McMillan and Flo McMillan; and host of extended family members and friends.

A celebration of Willie's life will be held at Scarborough & Hargett Celebration of Life

Center, 309 N Queen Street, Durham, North Carolina 27701 on Thursday, December 12th; Family Visitation at 11:30 a.m. and Celebration of Life Service at 12:00 noon.

In lieu of flowers, the family wishes that donations be made with a check to Carrie McNeil, 233 Overlook Ave., Durham, North Carolina 27712 or contributions in the name of Willie McNeil to America Cancer Society and American Lung Association Durham, North Carolina.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 12. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Scarborough & Hargett Celebration of Life Center, Inc.
309 N Queen St
Durham, NC 27701
(919) 682-1171
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<https://scarboroughandhargettfh.com/>

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Willie Edward McNeil*

October 05, 2023 at 11:31 AM

SM

“ *Sherronbabee Mckoy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Edward McNeil*



sherronbabee mckoy - December 24, 2019 at 06:17 PM

SM

Mrs mcneil Robin andb pam theyn are amily to me it was A shocked ! My condolense goes out to your family God has a very nice Man . i just found out Im here if you need me lwill always Be your best friend Sherron And little chico. We love All of you . God Bless your Family.

sherronbabee mckoy - December 24, 2019 at 06:21 PM

LF

“ *Lillie McNeill Boyd And Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Edward McNeil*



Lillie McNeill Boyd and Family - December 11, 2019 at 10:51 PM

RM

“ *Ruth M.McNeill lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Edward McNeil*



Ruth M.McNeill - December 11, 2019 at 07:00 PM

CM

“ Comfort and peace to the family.

Carl & Beulah McNeill



Carl McNeill - December 10, 2019 at 08:30 PM

FW

“ Old memories from the Hyti community 🙏 to the family for peace and comfort



Fannie Wilson - December 10, 2019 at 07:43 PM

DC

“ Dr. Walter J Haire And The Love CenterFa lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Edward McNeil



Dr. Walter J Haire and The Love CenterFa - December 10, 2019 at 03:45 PM

TH

“ May God grace and mercy comfort the McNeil Family during this time. Rest in Heavenly Peace Willie McNeil

Thomasine Hedgepeth - December 10, 2019 at 04:57 AM

TW

“ Pastor Theresa Morgan Walser and Free Will Bethel OFWB Church Family



Theresa Morgan Walser - December 10, 2019 at 03:31 AM

BH

“ *Barbara Hicks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Edward McNeil*



Barbara Hicks - December 09, 2019 at 01:07 PM

VS

“ *Valissa W. Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Edward McNeil*



Valissa W. Smith - December 07, 2019 at 09:34 PM

VS

Carrie I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Valissa W. Smith - December 07, 2019 at 09:35 PM