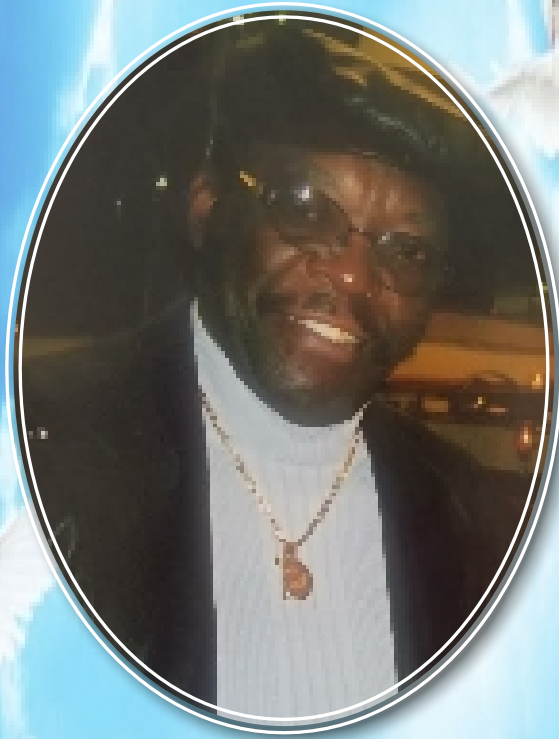


**IN LOVING MEMORY  
OF**



**WILBUR LEE PALMER**

**SUNRISE: SEPTEMBER 9, 1938**

**SUNSET: APRIL 10, 2017**

Service

*Saturday, April 22, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.*

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

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*Rev. Dr. J. G. McCann, Sr., Officiating*

*Rev. David Jenkins, Organist*

# OBITUARY

**Wilbur Lee Palmer** was born on September 9, 1938 in Florence (Clausen), South Carolina to the late Elease Mason Palmer and Floyd Palmer, Sr. Wilbur passed from labor to reward on April 10, 2017. At an early age he became a member of Salem Methodist Church in Florence, South Carolina.

The family moved from Florence to Wilmington, North Carolina in 1956. There, Wilbur worked at James Walker Memorial Hospital in the maintenance department. A few years later he migrated to New York City with his friends to pursue a music career and a better life. In 1960, Wilbur met the love of his life, Lillie Ann Carter. They were married on April 1, 1961. To this union, God blessed them with two wonderful children, Bernard (8/13/1962) and Lisa Ann (5/23/1966).

Wilbur was a devoted Son, Big Brother, Maintenance Man/Security Guard, Father and Child of God. Wilbur worked at Dorchester Towers for 30 years and retired in 2001. Wilbur did everything with passion and a zest for life. He loved to dance and engage in lively conversation. He loved to participate in softball games at the annual Family Reunion. His children would spend their summers in Wilmington, North Carolina with his younger brother Floyd and his family. This gave his children an opportunity to connect with their Southern Heritage.

Wilbur leaves to cherish his memory: a devoted wife of 56 years, Lillie Ann Palmer; a wonderful son and retired Master Sergeant, Bernard Palmer; a loving daughter, Lisa Ann Palmer; a sister, Beulah Gillard of Darlington, SC; four brothers, James (Aundrea) of Philadelphia, PA, Maxie (Deloris) of Wilmington, NC, Floyd Jr. (Wanda) of Wilmington, NC and Sammie (Sharon) of Irvington, NJ; four grandchildren, Haranisha, Elease, James and Kena; four great grandchildren, Eloni, Egypt, Harrison Scott, and a baby girl on the way; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives. Wilbur was preceded in death by brothers, George, Leroy and Frank; and sisters, Queenie, Mary and Minnie.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

*Processional*

*Selection*

*Scripture Readings*

*Prayer*

*Selection*

*Acknowledgements*

*Remarks*

*Obituary*

*Selection*

*Eulogy*

*Committal*

*Viewing*

*Recessional*

**INTERMENT**

*Rosehill Cemetery  
Linden, New Jersey*

# MISS ME, BUT LET ME GO

*When I come to the end of the  
road and the sun has set for me,  
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,  
Why cry for a soul set free?  
Miss me a little-but not too long,  
and not with your head bowed low.  
Remember the love that we once shared,  
Miss me-but let me go.  
For this is a journey that we all must take,  
And each must go alone.  
It's all part of the Master's plan,  
A step on the road to home.  
When you are lonely and sick at heart,  
Go to the friends we know.  
Laugh at the things we use to do  
Miss me-but let me go.*

*-author unknown*

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of  
kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.  
May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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