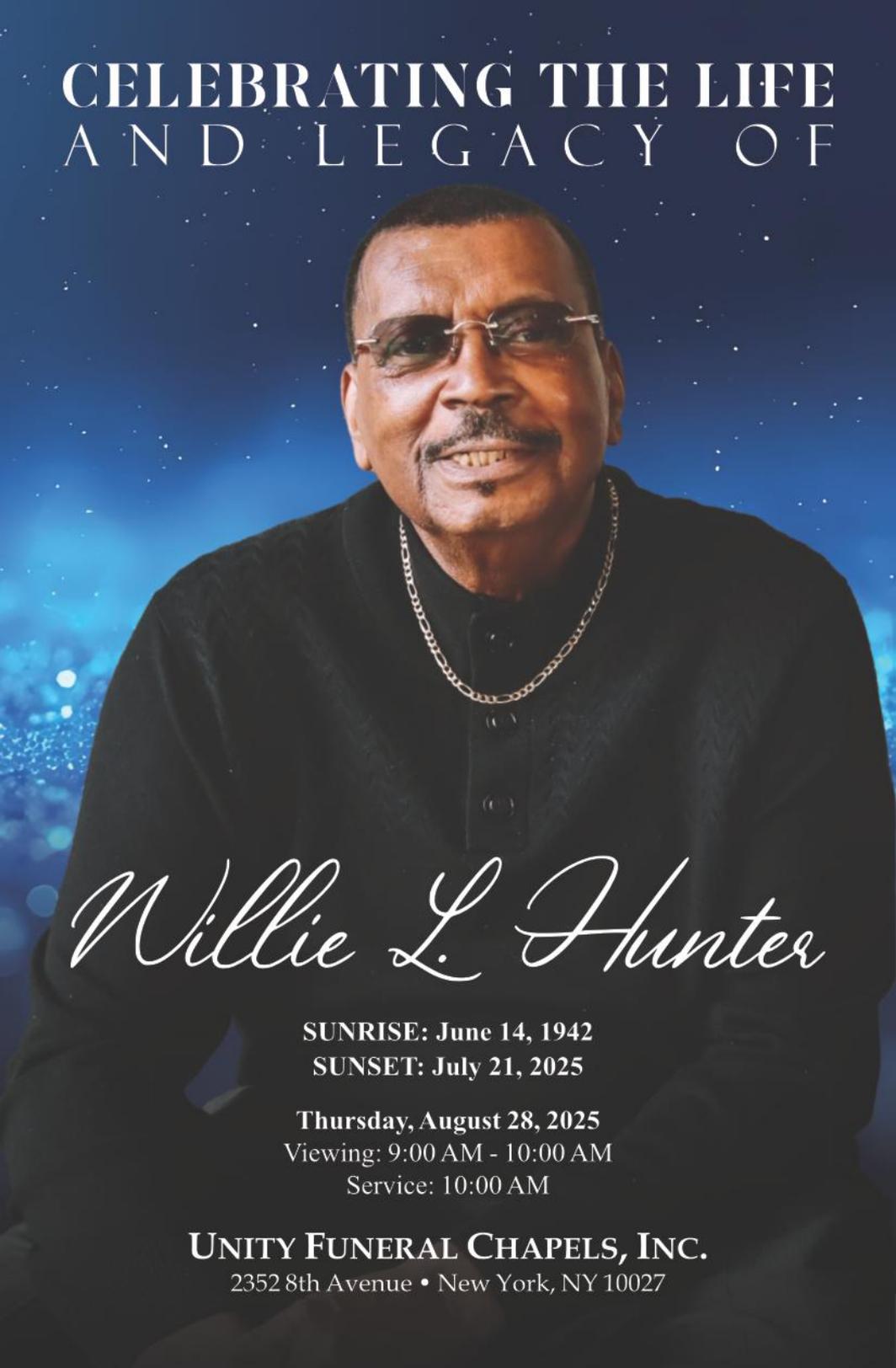


# CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF

A portrait of Willie L. Hunter, a man with glasses and a goatee, wearing a dark jacket and a chain necklace. The background is a dark blue sky with stars and bokeh light effects.

*Willie L. Hunter*

**SUNRISE:** June 14, 1942

**SUNSET:** July 21, 2025

**Thursday, August 28, 2025**

Viewing: 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Service: 10:00 AM

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# *The Life and Legacy of Willie L. Hunter*

Willie Louis Hunter, affectionately known as "Boobie" entered into this world on June 14, 1942. He returned to the open arms of the Lord on July 21, 2025, at the age of 83. Boobie was the fourth of eleven children born to the Late Mattie Mae Hunter and Leroy Hunter, Sr. Boobie was a native New Yorker and maintained a strong love for his Harlem community until his last days. He graduated from Charles Evans Hughes High School in January 1961, setting the foundation for a lifetime of learning and service. He was a man of wisdom, kindness, and perseverance.

Boobie grew up with a strong sense of purpose and determination. In the 1960s, he proudly served his country with honor and courage, completing two tours in the United States Air Force. His military service reflected his lifelong dedication to duty, perseverance, and leadership—qualities that remained central to the man he became. Following his service, Boobie pursued higher education, earning his Associate in Arts Degree from Phoenix College in 1978. He continued to grow both professionally and personally through programs such as the Dale Carnegie Course in Effective Speaking and Human Relations, as well as Honeywell's Investment in Excellence program, where he earned the distinctive title of Associate Wizard—a reflection of both his professional skill and his charismatic personality.

Boobie dedicated over 20 years of his career to Honeywell, where his commitment, leadership, and excellence left a lasting impact on his colleagues and the company. His professional life was marked by determination, integrity, and a desire to uplift those around him.

Beyond his career and studies, Boobie embodied a spirit of generosity and civic pride. In 1985, his financial contribution to the Statue of Liberty–Ellis Island Centennial Commission helped preserve one of America's most enduring symbols of freedom for future generations. Later, in 1996, he was honored by the United States Olympic Committee for his support of America's athletes during the Centennial Olympic Games in Atlanta, GA.

Boobie's life was guided by values of excellence, compassion, and community. Whether through his military service, professional endeavors, dedication to education, or his willingness to give back to causes larger than himself, he left a legacy of inspiration and leadership. His love, encouragement, and wisdom will be cherished forever by those who had the privilege of knowing him.

Boobie is preceded in death by his parents, Leroy and Mattie Mae Hunter, his 5 sisters and 1 brother, Charlene, Lorraine, Roberta, Al, Geraldine and Laura Mae and his beloved daughter, Nicole. He leaves to cherish fond memories his grandson, Tyler; his sister Sylvia of New York City; his brothers, Leroy, Jr of Phoenix, AZ, Ted of New York City and Eddie of Phoenix, AZ; 4 nephews,

Jeffrey, Malik, Rodney of New York City and Jordan of Phoenix, AZ; 7 nieces, Tonya, Janine, Connie, Crystal, Amber, Jolaun and Lonette; 2 sister in laws Sheryl of Phoenix, AZ and Ursula of New York City; 3 aunts Eloise Lane and Marie Deshazor of Quitman, GA and Alma Thomas of Cleveland, OH, a host of great nieces, great nephews, cousins and countless other relatives and beloved friends.

Boobie lived a life rich with achievement, generosity, and devotion to family and he will always remain in our hearts. He has left us a great legacy to continue in his memory and his honor. Our hearts are rejoicing because we know he has gone home to be with his Lord and has been welcomed in Heaven by his daughter, parents and siblings who preceded him in death. As we celebrate the life he lived, the grief will diminish with time and happier moments and memories will prevail.

He will be greatly missed, but will live on in our hearts forever.

Submitted in Love,

The Family

*Servant of God, Well Done, Thy Glorious Warfare Past,  
A Long Life Lived, The Race Won and Thou Art  
Crowned At Last, The Powers of Death are Past, Labor and Sorrow Cease  
The Lifelong Warfare, Closed at Last;  
THY SOUL HAS FOUND PEACE!*



## Order of Service

**Processional Hymn**.....“My Hope is Built”  
**Solo** .....“His Eye is on the Sparrow”  
**Scripture Readings**..... Old Testament - Psalm 16  
New Testament - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

**Prayer**

**Acknowledgements**

**Solo** .....“Blessed Assurance”

**Reflections**..... Family and Friends

**Obituary**

**Eulogy**

**Committal**

**Recessional**.....“When We All Get to Heaven”

*Interment*

Mt. Hope Cemetery • Hastings-On-Hudson, New York

# *I've Changed my Address*

I've changed my address to Heaven  
I've crossed the Great Divide.  
I know there's no sorrow or crying,  
Because I've reached the other side.  
I am so happy to be here, for the Lord Himself I see.  
I've changed my address to Heaven,  
That's the place where you'll find me.  
I've changed my address to Heaven,  
I bid this world goodbye.  
I now live forever with Jesus in my new home in the  
sky. I have no burdens or heartaches  
and from tears I am now free.  
I've changed my address to Heaven,  
That's the place to find me.  
I've changed my address to Heaven,  
I'm safe forevermore. For the Lord built a mansion  
and my name is on the door.  
You can find us walking together,  
for where He is, I'll always be.  
I've changed my address to Heaven,  
That's the place you'll find me.

-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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