

In Loving Memory of
Willie Frank McClendon

Sunrise
April 18, 1945

Sunset
November 26, 2019



Service

Wednesday, December 4, 2019 • 11:00 a.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE
130 Main Street • Orange, New Jersey

Obituary

Willie Frank McClendon went to be with the Lord on November 26, 2019. He was born on April 18, 1945 to Jimmie Mae McClendon and father, George Hudson. They lived in Abbeville, Alabama.

Willie was educated in Alabama and New Jersey, where he received an Associates Degree at Essex County College in New Jersey.

Willie spent two years in the army from 1967 - 1969.

He was a tool and die maker for Atco Products in Newark, New Jersey for thirty-four years.

Willie Frank enjoyed reading and old movies.

Willie Frank was married to Bernice Marable who was born in New Jersey. They were childhood sweet hearts.

Willie was preceded in death by his son, Jamie McClendon.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Bernice; Jamie's twin sister, Jennifer; brother, Sandy aka Alexson McClendon of Newark, NJ; son, Lenny Wiggins of Newark, NJ; his sister, Betty McClendon of Newark, NJ; James McClendon of Little Rock, Arkansas; niece, Jimmie Lee McClendon; nephews, William and Johnny McClendon both of Newark, NJ; and host of cousin, nieces, nephews, friends, favorite uncle, Johnny Frank Lynn aka uncle Snap of Griffith, Indiana.

Order of Service

Opening Hymn.....“Hold On To God’s Unchanging Hand”
Congregation

Scripture Reading
Old Testament - Danielle McClendon
New Testament - Essence Gillard

Prayer of Comfort.....Jimmie Lee McClendon

Organist Selection.....Congregation

Reflections

Obituary.....William Earl McClendon

Eulogy

Recessional.....“I’ll Fly Away”

INTERMENT

Fairmount Cemetery
Newark, New Jersey

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day.
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much.
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*
-author unknown

Acknowledgement

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

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