



William Forrest

December 29, 1940 - August 28, 2023

William Forrest, age 82, of Alpharetta, GA, passed away Monday, August 28, 2023.

William, the 3rd son of seven boys was born to Perry and Castoria Forrest on December 29th 1940 in Perry, Florida. The family then moved to Mt Pleasant, SC at an early age where he grew up. During high school, he met the love of his life, Gloria. William then attended Allen University on a music scholarship. He was later drafted into the Army for a brief time period. After being discharged, he left Charleston, SC and moved to New York City to study Commercial Art. William and Gloria were married and from this union, two daughters were born, Lorrece and Valeri. William became a member of Rush Temple AME Zion Church in 1983. He believed in serving the Lord in any way that he could and became very active in the church. He was a Boy Scout Leader, Rush Temple Boys Basketball Coach, he served on the Stewart Board, the Male Usher Board and the Male Choir. He was voted to be the South Carolina Ministry President and also the Class #19 Leader.

William was also an active member of Central Star #18 and Enoch Grand Lodge Free Masons Society.

William is survived his wife Gloria; his daughters Lorrece (Anthony), Valeri (Jeremy) and Deena Carey; his brothers Perry Forrest Jr. and Randy Forrest, his grandchildren; Omari, Antonia, Isaiah, Alyannah, Gregory, Jordan, Aaliyah and Trey and a host of nieces, nephews and God children.

A Celebration of Life Service is scheduled for 11:00 AM Sunday, September 17, 2023 in the Chapel of Flanigan Funeral Home with Rev. Barry Hill officiating. The family will receive friends immediately following the service from 12 Noon until 1:00 PM.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP 17. 11:00 AM.

Chapel of Flanigan Funeral Home

Visitation

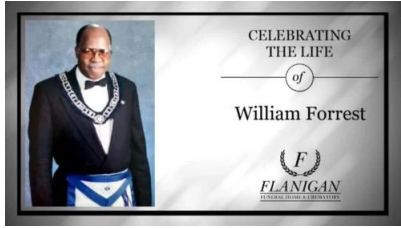
SEP 17. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Flanigan Funeral Home
4400 South Lee Street
Buford, GA 30518

Tribute Wall



“ *Flanigan Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of William Forrest*



Flanigan Funeral Home - September 14, 2023 at 03:13 AM

EB

I will never forget this beautiful person, my next-door neighbor yelling at me. Hi I'm Bill I'm your new neighbor and the neighbor he was what a beautiful man and I'm so sad he's gone. I loved him like a brother. May he rest in peace as I know he is.

Emily Bernhardt - September 27, 2023 at 07:25 PM

VF

“ *The Forrest family of North Florida extend our deepest sympathy to Gloria and family, to hear of the transition of our beloved cousin and friend, William Forrest. We are sad but take comfort in knowing, that in Jesus Christ, his love, laughter and wisdom lives forever. Let's keep his memory alive deep in our heart, for we know:*

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Vernon Forrest on behalf of the family!

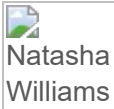
Vernon Forrest - September 15, 2023 at 02:17 PM

SW

“ *Sorry to read of the passing of Bro. Forrest, but happy to know he is safe in the Lord's care. Our heartfelt condolences and deepest sympathy to you, Sis. Forrest, Lorrece, Valerie and your family. God's strength, comfort and peace embrace all of you during this difficult time. 🙏❤️*



Sharon Webb - September 13, 2023 at 11:00 AM



Natasha
Williams

“ I'm am so very sorry to hear of Mr. Forrest passing. I will sincerely miss the way he would light up a room with his jokes and laughter, and how he would always lead our family in prayer before Thanksgiving. He will truly be missed. I'm sending love, light, and comfort to the Forrest family during this difficult time.

Natasha Williams - September 12, 2023 at 06:36 AM

KG

“ Kathleen Green lit a candle in memory of William Forrest



Kathleen Green - September 11, 2023 at 09:50 PM

HS

“ Gloria,
I am deeply saddened to hear of the passing of Bill. Please accept my sincere condolences. His happy presence will be greatly missed. Oh, and the Banana Bread.
May God keep you and your family in His tender and loving care. 🙏



Halimah Shaheed - September 09, 2023 at 05:04 PM