



Willie L. Watkins

November 2, 1937 - April 17, 2020

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In Lieu of flowers, please honor the life of Willie "Bill" Watkins by make a donation in his name to the National Kidney Foundation (<https://www.kidney.org/donation>)

Reflection of a life well spent...

A time to be born...Willie (Bill) was born November 2, 1937 to the late Woodfin and Doris Watkins. Bill was one of seven children: Nannie Bell (deceased), Walter (deceased), Nadine, Mildred, Woodfin (Big Hoot) (deceased), and Vivian.

A time to laugh...Bill was raised in the Locust Grove community, where he enjoyed and appreciated the love and joy of family and many friends.

A time to learn...Bill received his education through the former Shoal Creek Elementary and Henry County Training School. He was drum major for the school band. Bill learned about the love of Jesus during the early years of his life and gave his life to Christ at Bethlehem Baptist Church. His mission and passion in life was helping people needing help because of life and circumstances.

A time to serve...Bill worked with food ministries and organizations to help families in need. He repaired washing machines and dryers to give to people who needed them. His love for people in need will always be remembered by those he helped.

A time to love...On December 23, 1962, he married Anita Louise Pullin. This union was blessed with two children, Donald and David.

A time to work...Bill was a machine shop foreman, and retired from Snapper Power Equipment Company in 1996.

A time to mourn...On Friday, April 17, 2020, our beloved Bill Watkins quietly and peacefully answered the call to end all earthly labor and enter his new home in Glory. He will be cherished by many family members and loved ones who will continue to keep his memory in their hearts. He leaves to mourn his passing his loving, devoted wife, Anita; children: Terry Hammond (Stephanie), Donald Watkins (Lisa) and David Watkins (Angela); eight grandchildren and one great grandchild; sisters: Nadine Pope (Johnny), Mildred Talley, and Vivian Johnson (Otis), and a host of family members.

Previous Events

Viewing

APR 21. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home - McDonough Chapel
300 Griffin Street
McDonough, GA 30253
(770) 957-4337
info@wdlemonfuneralhome.com

Service (By Invitation Only)

APR 22. 1:00 PM (ET)

Bethlehem Baptist Church
643 Bethlehem Rd.
Locust Grove, GA 30248

Interment

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Tribute Wall



“ *W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Willie L. Watkins*



W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home - April 19, 2020 at 11:11 PM

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“ *So Blessed he was a part of my life. Much Love to Family may his loving Spirit stay ever present in your hearts God Love is surrounding you*



Deborah McWilliams - April 24, 2020 at 08:36 PM

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“ *I recall meeting Mr. Watkins while carrying Nicholas he was a very nice man and I was glad to have met him and his young sons, My Sincere Condolence to my Son and his family, I pray for comfort and peace to each of you in Jesus name Amen*

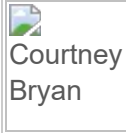
Mrs. Candace Archie - April 22, 2020 at 03:01 PM

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“ *Prayers and condolences to the Watkins family.*

Linda Stewart

Linda Stewart - April 22, 2020 at 02:12 PM



“ To the Watkins Family: We send our prayers and condolences as you lay "Uncle Bill" to rest today. He will forever be in our hearts, as his was made of gold.

- Rev. Courtney E. D. Bryan & Family

Courtney Bryan - April 22, 2020 at 02:11 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Funeral Program



W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home - April 22, 2020 at 01:33 PM



“ On behalf our my wife and family we send our love, thoughts and prayers for your family during this time of bereavement. May the Holy Spirit be unto you what he has promised to be!

Blessings,
Pastor Carl Z. and Lady Sheryl B. Liggins and Family

Carl Z Liggins, Sr. - April 22, 2020 at 12:10 AM



“ When I first met Mr. Watkins he told me he was David's brother. A very nice and wonderful person. May you Rest In Peace 🕊️🕊️

Angley Pope - April 21, 2020 at 05:10 PM

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“ *Angley Pope lit a candle in memory of Willie L. Watkins*



Angley Pope - April 21, 2020 at 05:07 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Willie L. Watkins.*



April 21, 2020 at 05:02 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Willie L. Watkins.*



April 21, 2020 at 10:51 AM