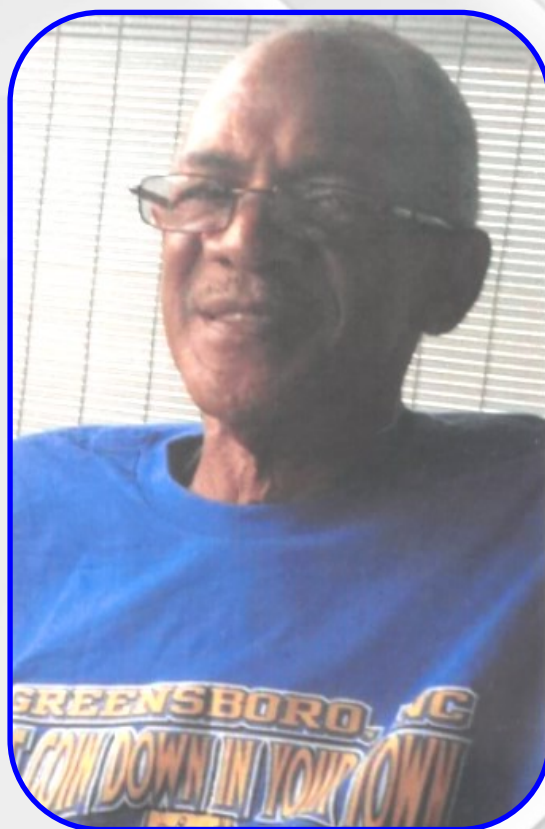


*Celebrating the Life
of*
Rodney Wilson Duckett

Sunrise
November 22, 1946

Sunset
March 24, 2022



Tuesday, April 12, 2022

Viewing: 10:00 a.m.

Service: 11:00 a.m.

From the Heart Church Ministries®
Annex at 5055 Allentown Road
Suitland, Maryland 20746

Bishop John A. Cherry, II - Pastor

Obituary

Rodney Wilson Duckett was born on November 22, 1946, in Washington, D.C., to Wilson and Thelma Duckett. He was the fourth of five children. Rodney peacefully transitioned at MedStar Southern Maryland Hospital Center on March 24, 2022.

The native Washingtonian and his siblings grew up in their parents' Northwest, Washington home. He also attended D.C. Public Schools where he received a high school diploma. After high school, he worked at the Library of Congress for a few years. And on August 24, 1966, Rodney enlisted in the U.S. Army serving his country for almost two years before being honorably discharged from the military. He was last employed with D.C.'s Blue Plains Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant as a water technician and retired after thirty years of dedicated service.

Rodney was an avid reader which was his passion; however, he also enjoyed drawing, building model airplanes, and watching TV, especially Western movies. Additionally, he was a fan of the National Football League, the National Basketball Association as well as collegiate sports.

On October 3, 1997, Rodney married the love of his life, Paulette Smith. Love truly was the foundation for their marriage—they loved each other through thick and thin—for better and for worse, committed until death. For the past seven years, the couple had been raising their great-granddaughter, Desirae Johnson. Rodney loved and adored Desirae; and would faithfully pick her up from the bus stop after school. Once home, the two would play games, draw, and of course, read. Rodney and Paulette, affectionately known as “Papa” and “Nana,” were committed to bringing up Desirae in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Rodney a man of faith, joined From the Heart Church Ministries in 2010. He was actively involved in the life of the church, namely the Nursing and Seniors Ministries. With Rodney by her side, Paulette had joined From the Heart years prior. And at age seven, during a service there, Desirae accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior.

Family was important to Rodney, and he always provided for them. Furthermore, he enjoyed spending time with his brother, sister, nieces, and nephews. He was a quiet, confident, polite, smooth individual. Once at a family reunion one of his nieces referred to him as the “quiet storm.” In addition, Rodney relished the special moments spent with the stepson he raised, Lovrico “Rico” Johnson, Sr. During their time together, they enjoyed fishing from Rico’s boat, taking long drives down country roads, dining out, and conversing for hours on end. Rico often gifted his dad with fashionable casual wear, sporty tennis shoes, and sometimes jewelry. The men had a genuine father and son relationship.

Rodney will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him. In the days since his passing, Desirae expressed that she has not yet cried for Papa. And Nana has lovingly assured her that, “It’s okay, and when you do it’s okay. He will always forever be watching over you.”

Rodney leaves to cherish his memory his loving devoted wife, Paulette Smith-Duckett; stepson, Lovrico Johnson, Sr. (Daphne); sons, Maurice Duckett and Rodney Duckett, Jr.; daughter, Wanda Duckett; grandchildren: Lovrico Johnson, Jr., Nico Johnson (Jordan), Andre Johnson, Armonni Johnson, Sherrika Johnson (Emmanuel), Raegaan Johnson, Sylvia Johnson, and Aja Queen; brother, Tyrone Duckett (Darise Good); sister, Elizabeth Dorsey; brothers-in-law: Alvin Dorsey, Paul Smith, Jr., Monrico Hayes, Albert Ross, James Ross, and Kelvin Ross; sister-in-law, Lauren Hayes; mother-in-law, Yvonne Overton; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Rodney was preceded in death by his parents, Wilson and Thelma Duckett; brother, Leonard Duckett; and sister, Barbara Henderson.

Order of Service

Invocation

Scripture Reading

*Old Testament: Psalm 139:1-14
New Testament: I Corinthians 15:50-58*

Prayer of Comfort

Selection *Mrs. Dana Yates*

Acknowledgements

Remarks

*Ms. Maryian Little, Friend
Ms. Armonni Johnson, Granddaughter
Ms. Sylvia Johnson, Granddaughter*

Obituary (Read Silently)

Song of Preparation *Mrs. Dana Yates*

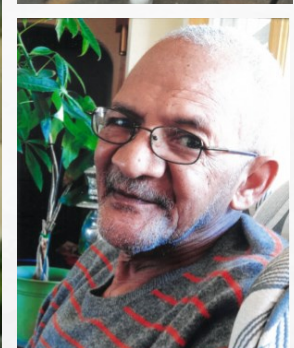
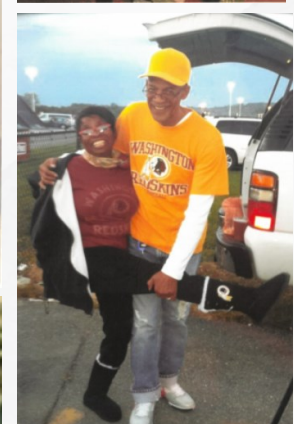
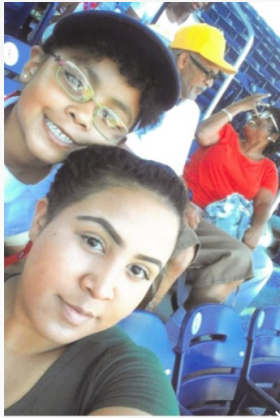
Message of Hope *Minister Jacqueline Walker*

Call to Christ

Recessional

Interment
*Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery
11301 Crain Highway
Cheltenham, Maryland 20623*





Family Sentiments

A Love Note

*Your love Rodney for me hasn't left, it has only
heightened to higher heights. Those precious memories
and times we've shared are forever in my heart and soul.*

Your loving wife





Family Sentiments

Granddad's Journey

*Don't think of me
As gone away
My journey has just
Begun
Life holds so many facets*

*The Earth is but one
Departure from life is
Nothing at all:*

*Only to slip into the
Next room
I am I, and you are you*

*Whatever we were
To each other we
Are still
You can share tears
That I'm gone
Or you can smile
Because I have lived*

*Love, your Grandchildren:
Nico, Andre, Lovrico, Raegaan, Sherrika, and Armonni*

Pallbearers

*Shelby Barnes
Jerome Dorsey
Joel Dorsey
Lovrico A. Johnson, Sr.
Nico Johnson
Paul Smith, Jr.*

Flower Bearers

Family and Friends

Acknowledgement

The family of Rodney Wilson Duckett, acknowledges with deep appreciation every act of kindness and expression of love shown to us during our time of bereavement. Your many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy have been a blessing to us. May the Lord Jesus Christ bless and keep you in perfect peace!



Services Entrusted to:
*Briscoe-Tonic Funeral Home, P.A.
64 Industrial Park Drive
Waldorf, Maryland 20602*