



A Celebration of Life for

*Reginald M. Widgeon, Sr.*

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January 3, 1947 - July 9, 2023

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*Friday, July 21, 2023*

10:00 a.m. Family Hour

11:00 a.m. Service

*From the Heart Church Ministries®*

*4949 Allentown Road*

*Suitland, Maryland 20746*

*Bishop John A. Cherry, II – Pastor*

## Obituary

Reginald "Reggie" M. Widgeon, Sr. was born to Theodore and the late Mayfield Weeks Widgeon, on January 3, 1947, in Eastville, Virginia. He peacefully entered eternal rest on July 9, 2023, surrounded by his loving family.

Reggie accepted Jesus Christ and was baptized at a young age at Union Baptist Church in Eastville, Virginia. In his adult life, he joined From the Heart Church Ministries where he served in the Special Services Ministry for over 20 years. He had a huge heart and was a man of great faith.

Reggie was educated in the Northampton County Public School System and graduated from Northampton County High School in Machipongo, Virginia. He continued his education at Norfolk State College (now University), where he received an associate degree in electronics. Also, he attended the University of Maryland and Tuck Business School at Dartmouth in Minority Business Entrepreneurship. He was also a product, as a civilian, of the U. S. Navy Electronics Technology Apprenticeship Program.

Reggie was joined in holy matrimony to Eloise P. Gilchrist in October 1981. As an inseparable couple, they enjoyed fine dining, traveling, and dreaming of life's possibilities. He traveled to 48 of the 50 states and various destinations outside the United States. On several occasions, his parents traveled on vacations with him and his family.

Reggie was employed with Memorex Corporation as the Director of Federal Sales. After leaving Memorex, he started his own business, RMW Enterprises, an information technology and networking solutions company. He was an accomplished business executive with over 45 years of experience in marketing and developing home-based businesses. He was proficient in skilled, critical, innovative, and collaborative thinking for business development. Reggie found his passion for teaching people about healthy living through his work with Youngevity as an independent agent.

Reggie and Eloise relocated to Cape Charles, Virginia, and had a slower pace of life, after residing in Maryland for many years. Part of the decision to relocate was to be available for his aging parents. He became an integral part of the revitalization of Cape Charles. He was president-elect of the Rotary Club of Cape Charles. Also, he was active in several community projects, including the Cape Charles Main Street Project, the Rosenwald School Project, and the Invisible History of African Americans in Cape Charles Project.

Reggie loved his family as well as his extended family. He leaves to cherish his memory; his loving wife of 41 years, Eloise P. Widgeon; son, Reginald M. Widgeon, Jr. (Margie); daughter, Carlette W. Flowers (Tyrone); grandchildren: Arielle Borisade (Yemi), Reginald M. Widgeon III, Jamal Bullock (Akeira), Ryan Widgeon, Arae Widgeon, Tyrone Flowers, Tyra Flowers, Tykia Flowers, and Corey Flowers; great-grandchildren: Mason Borisade, Maxwell Borisade, Orey Flowers, and Kayden Graham; father, Theodore Widgeon; sister, Evette Richardson (Fletcher); brothers: James Widgeon (Betty), Rudolph Widgeon, and Jeffrey Widgeon (Joyce); sister-in-law, Rosemary Culver (Alexander); brother-in-law, Gregory Gilchrist; aunts: Irma Harris, Virginia Weeks, Dorothy Sample (Oliver), and Eula Mae Weeks; uncle, Thomas Weeks, Jr. (Evelyn); and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, devoted relatives, and friends.



# Order of Service

**Invocation**

**Congregational Hymn** ..... *"It Is Well With My Soul"*

**Scripture Reading**

*Old Testament: Psalm 91:1-7  
New Testament: I John 5:11-13*

**Prayer of Comfort**

**Selection** ..... *FTH Psalmist*

**Acknowledgements**

**Remarks**

*Mrs. Arielle Widgeon Borisade, Granddaughter  
Mr. Vernon Uzzell, Friend  
Mrs. Evette Richardson, Sister  
Mr. Leslie Willis, Representative from the Special Services Ministry*

**Poem** ..... *Ms. Rosemary Culver*

**Obituary** (*Read Silently*)

**Song of Preparation** ..... *FTH Psalmist*

**Message of Hope** ..... *Minister Vance Page*

**Call to Christ**

**Recessional**

**Interment:**  
Fort Lincoln Cemetery  
8401 Bladensburg Road  
Brentwood, Maryland 20722



## Family Sentiments

*I will miss your smile.*

*Our holding hands while we walked,  
That listening ear when I needed to talk.  
Thanks for being a companion and friend,  
The love I have for you will never end.  
Enjoy your eternal life with Jesus Christ.*

*Love, Eloise*



### *Forever In Our Hearts!*

*It broke our hearts to lose you  
but you never went alone,  
for a part of us went with you,  
the day God took you home.  
We love you, Dad.  
Sleep well in heaven with the angels.*

*Reggie and Carlette*

### *Kindness*

*K- is for Kin- Reggie treated everyone he met as though you were his kin.*

*I- he was genuinely interested in you and what he could do for you or the situation you found yourself in.*

*N- he never minded going out of his way to fend (do for you) and bend (to assist you)*

*D- he had diverse interests that most of us only dream about accomplishing in our lifetime.*

*N- never did he give up fighting until his last breath ended.*

*E- emotionally he was calm, cool, and collected - under most if not all situations.*

*S- successful, satisfied, man of God*

*S- seeking the good, the best for all who came in contact with him until the end!*

*Rose*



# Family Sentiments

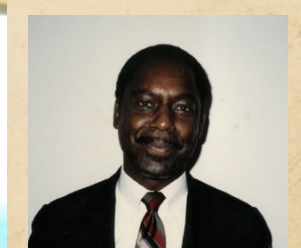
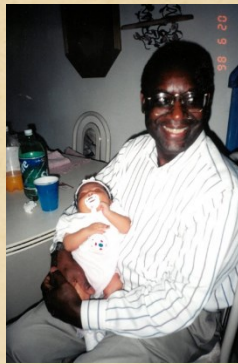
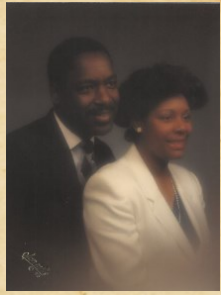
## For Granddad

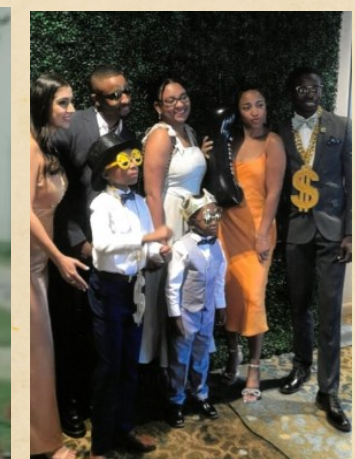
By Arae Widgeon

*I remember wandering his house with my siblings.  
Knowing we were welcome to every door and cabinet  
Made us feel like mini adult.  
We'd go on hikes into the unknown  
Without caring about how long it took,  
Or the destination.  
He'd ask us for gentle stories,  
Lean into our discussions,  
Making sense of our gibberish.  
He made it exciting to soak in his words  
As he took us on tours of his childhood.  
Granddad was a man of adventure,  
Whether it was a briefcase,  
Black and white Western  
Or sneaking the first and last pieces of apple pie  
And convince you  
He had no idea what happened to dessert.  
The kind of guy who could sell water to the ocean,  
Or cars to a blind man.  
He nurtured laughter like honey coating a room,  
Had a love for the kind of knowledge  
That has roots and takes time to digest.  
He was one of the youngsters.  
A chameleon to history,  
Breathing life in like fresh air  
And living off boundless fun.  
So, when I feel my day falling apart  
I'll stick to my belief that everything is inherited.  
I'll remember resilience is baked into my DNA,  
Kick myself for forgetting about the courage  
He passed down through generations.  
I will tell myself, "I've got this."  
And say,  
"Thank you Granddad,  
for all the ways you made me strong."*

Lovingly submitted by the  
Grandkids and Great-Grandkids







## Congregational Hymn

### **“It Is Well With My Soul”**

*When peace like a river,  
attendeth my way,  
When sorrows like seabillows roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

#### **CHORUS**

*It is well, with my soul,  
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

*My sin, oh the bliss of this glorious thought, My  
sin, not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more,  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
O my soul!*

#### **CHORUS**

*And, Lord, haste the day when the faith  
shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trump shall resound and the  
Lord shall descend,  
Even so, it is well with my soul.*

#### **CHORUS**

## Pallbearers

*Jamal Bullock  
Tyrone Flowers  
Tyrone J. Flowers  
Reginald Widgeon, Jr.  
Reginald Widgeon, III  
Ryan Widgeon*

## Flower Bearers

*Family and Friends*

## Acknowledgement

*We, the family of the late Reginald Widgeon, Sr. sincerely thank all of you for your prayers, comfort, love, and support. 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:***  
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*and*

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