

ORDER OF SERVICE

Rev. Micah K. Dial, Senior Pastor
Rainbow Park Baptist Church
Officiant

Prelude

Processional

Hymn All The Way My Savior Leads Me

Old Testament Psalms 34:15-19 Keisha Bennett

New Testament 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Jean-Christian McKenzie

Solo Carla Downie

Remarks Keaton Boswell

Atlanta Jamaican Association

Words of Comfort Rev. Hattie Washington

Minister of Congregational Care
Rainbow Park Baptist Church | Decatur, GA

Reflections Friends and Family (2 minutes)

Reading of Obituary Anthony Edwards

Hymn Christ For The World We Sing

Eulogy Pastor Christopher Harvey

Senior Pastor
Fayette SDA Church | Fayetteville, GA

Acknowledgements D.C. Rankine Funeral Establishment

Recessional

INTERMENT

Kennedy Memorial Gardens
2500 River Rd | Ellenwood, GA 30294

PALLBEARERS

Andrew Edwards
Rudson Edwards
Treston Bostic
Jair McKenzie (HPB)

Anthony Edwards
Anthony Garden
Dr. Winston Smith
Jean-Christian McKenzie (HPB)

APPRECIATION

The Family of Ronald W. McKenzie would like to express our thanks for your kind expressions of sympathy during our recent time of loss. We deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness and kindness, through cards, flowers, phone calls, visits, your presence here today and your prayers.

Grateful – The McKenzie Family

SPECIAL THANKS

The Rainbow Park Baptist Church
Shawanda Cummings

Jennifer Hibbert
Arthur and Rose Gordon

Final Arrangements Entrusted to:

D.C. Rankine
FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT

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Celebration of Life For



Ronald WHITEFIELD
MCKENZIE
February 25, 1933 – August 30, 2025

Thursday, September 18, 2025
Viewing: 10:00 A.M. | Service: 11:00 A.M.
RAINBOW PARK BAPTIST CHURCH
2941 Columbia Drive, Decatur, GA 30034

Life Reflections

Ronald Whitfield McKenzie was born on February 25, 1933, in Adelphi, St. James, Jamaica, West Indies. A beloved son of Lucille Sylvia English (née Brown) and Rupert McKenzie, his early education at Adelphi Primary School laid the foundation for a life lived with purpose, discipline, and a profound sense of responsibility. In 1948, he relocated to Kingston, Jamaica, where he enrolled in Waulgrove College, a private high school, where he completed secondary education and graduated with his Senior Cambridge School Certificate.

His professional journey was as global as it was purposeful. He began his career in Jamaica with the Civil Service before migrating to Washington, DC, to pursue higher education. At Howard University, he earned a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering in 1963. A year later, he married Jean Leomine Lewis (he was her devoted husband until her death in March 2004).

Together they traveled to Nigeria, where he used his engineering expertise to make a meaningful impact. By 1967, they had returned to Jamaica, where he continued his career with Seprod Company and the National Water Authority. When political unrest escalated in the 1970s, he made the difficult decision to relocate his family to the United States. In 1978, he settled in Atlanta, Georgia, where he worked for several consulting firms before stepping boldly into entrepreneurship. His work ethic was unmatched, embodying qualities that made him a respected and reliable figure in every undertaking. For half a decade he owned and operated a Dairy Queen franchise; he eventually expanded his portfolio to include real estate investment and property management endeavors.



He married his beautiful Jamaican queen Elaine Ivy Windross on November 23, 2004, with whom he built a loving life in Decatur, Georgia. He found joy in simple pleasures. He loved Christmas, a holiday that reflected his warmth, generosity, and commitment to family. Around the domino table, he was known for his playful competitiveness, while at family gatherings, his smoked turkey was a signature dish eagerly anticipated by all.

Ronald Whitfield McKenzie is a beloved patriarch, husband, father, grandfather, uncle, civil servant, entrepreneur, and friend. He was cared for and loved

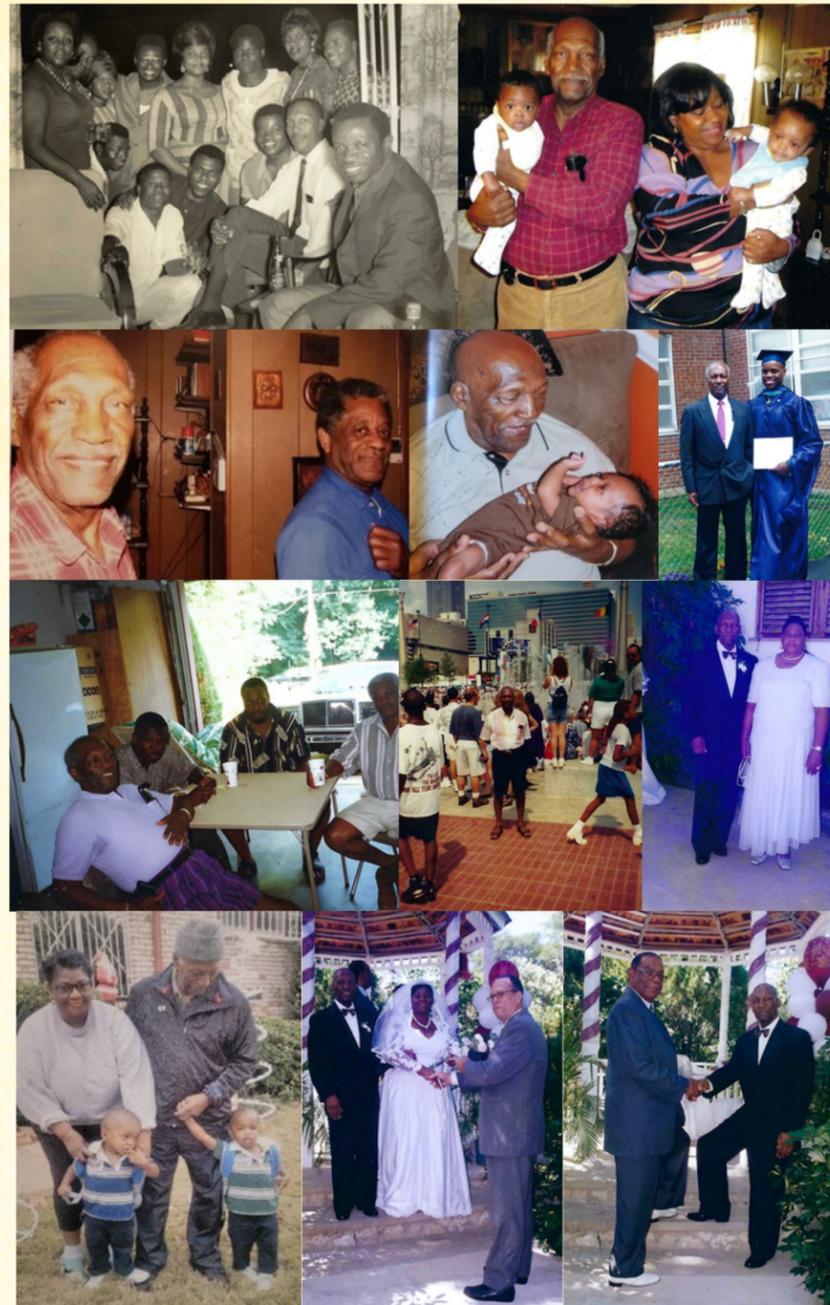
by his devoted wife, Elaine, until his final moments before he transitioned from this life to eternal peace on Saturday, August 30, 2025. He was preceded in death by his parents, Lucille Sylvia English and Rupert McKenzie; and his siblings, Eveline (Arthur) Rose and Sonny McKenzie.

When we think of him, let's remember the zeal with which he lived for 92 years. When we think of him, let's remember his devotion to family and friends.

Think of him whenever you see the color yellow glistening, reflecting his brightness and his optimism.



Let's remember that while his trailblazing spirit took him around the world, he always held Jamaica in his heart. His memory will be cherished by his wife, Ivy Elaine Windross McKenzie; and his sisters, Hessel Mckenzie, Alvera (Vee) Mckenzie, and Ruby Mckenzie. His legacy will be sustained by his son, Wayne R. McKenzie (Yakima Rhinehart); and by his grandsons, Jair McKenzie and Jean-Christian McKenzie. Others who count it a blessing to have known him are his in-laws, his nieces, Dr Winston Smith and other nephews, their spouses, and their children; his cousins, their spouses, and their children; his circle of extended family; members of the Atlanta Jamaican Association; and a host of friends and loved ones.



Obituary written by: Rev. Dr. Tony Lamair Burks II, Member
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All The Way My Savior Leads Me

1. All the way my Savior leads me, What have I to ask beside?
Can I doubt his tender mercy,
Who thru' life has been my Guide?
Heav'nly peace, divinest comfort,
Here by faith in him to dwell!
For I know, whate'er befall me,
Jesus fashions all things well.

2. All the way my Savior leads me, Cheers each winding path I tread;
Gives me grace for ev'ry trial,
Feeds me with the living Bread.
Tho' my weary steps may falter,
And my soul athirst may be,
Gushing from the Rock before me,
Lo! A spring of joy I see.



3. All the way my Savior leads me;
Oh, the fullness of His love!
Perfect rest to me is promised
In my Father's house above.
When my spirit, cloth'd immortal,
Wings its flight to realms of day
This my song thru' endless ages:
Jesus led me all the way.

Christ For The World We Sing

1 Christ for the world we sing;
the world to Christ we bring
with loving zeal: the poor and
them that mourn, the faint and
overborne, sin-sick and sorrow-
worn, for Christ doth heal.

2 Christ for the world we sing;
the world to Christ we bring
with fervent pray'r: the
wayward and the lost, by
restless passions tossed,
redeemed at countless cost
from dark despair.

3 Christ for the world we sing;
the world to Christ we bring
with one accord: with us the
work to share, with us
reproach to dare, with us the
cross to bear, for Christ our
Lord.

4 Christ for the world we sing;
the world to Christ we bring
with joyful song: the newborn
souls whose days, reclaimed
from error's ways, inspired with
hope and praise, to Christ
belong.