

ONE NIGHT I DREAMED I WAS WALKING ALONG THE BEACH WITH THE LORD.

MANY SCENES FROM MY LIFE FLASHED ACROSS THE SKY. IN EACH SCENE I NOTICED FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND. SOMETIMES THERE WERE TWO SETS OF FOOTPRINTS, OTHER TIMES THERE WERE ONE SET OF FOOTPRINTS. THIS BOTHERED ME BECAUSE I NOTICED THAT DURING THE LOW PERIODS OF MY LIFE, WHEN I WAS SUFFERING FROM ANGUISH, SORROW OR DEFEAT, I COULD SEE ONLY ONE SET OF FOOTPRINTS.

SO I SAID TO THE LORD, "YOU PROMISED ME LORD, THAT IF I FOLLOWED YOU, YOU WOULD WALK WITH ME ALWAYS. BUT I HAVE NOTICED THAT DURING THE MOST TRYING PERIODS OF MY LIFE THERE HAVE ONLY BEEN ONE SET OF FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND. WHY, WHEN I NEEDED YOU MOST, YOU HAVE NOT BEEN THERE FOR ME?"

THE LORD REPLIED, "THE TIMES WHEN YOU HAVE SEEN ONLY ONE SET OF FOOTPRINTS, IS WHEN I CARRIED YOU."

Acknowledgement

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A Celebration of the Life of



**WAYMOND
CARROLL WILLIAMS, JR.**



JULY 30, 1967 – FEBRUARY 1, 2026

THURSDAY – FEBRUARY 12, 2026

VISITATION: 1:00 PM
MEMORIAL SERVICE: 2:00 PM



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OBITUARY

Waymond Carroll Williams, Jr., affectionately known as "Dude," was born in Detroit, Michigan on July 30, 1967 to Waymond Sr. and Frances Williams. He was the 'baby boy' from this union.

Dude received his education from the Detroit Public Schools system. After graduation, he moved to Columbus and met Saglenda Smith. Dude and Saglenda enjoyed family and traveling where many memories were made.

Dude's career included employment time Horton Emergency Vehicles as well as Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA), a place where he enjoyed serving his community most. Eventually, he chose to follow in his father's footsteps opening Unkle Paw Paw's, a popular Soul Food restaurant. Those who enjoyed his culinary creations learned he was as talented in the kitchen as his parents.

Dude was also a **BIG SPORTS** guy! He enjoyed the NBA, the NFL and was passionate about all things University of Michigan Wolverines. During football season, you wouldn't catch him without his Michigan gear. And he was quick to quip, "Go Blue," to anyone in his presence. He loved shooting pool with his dad and friends. In his later years Dude was inspired by brothers Wendell and Gary Tucker to learn the game of golf. His nephew, Pots often teased him saying, "Big Fella, ain't nobody playing golf!"

Dude lived for family and good times. He loved playing cards, music, and lots of laughs!

He earned his wings February, 1, 2026 surrounded by a loving family.

He is preceded in death by his parents, father: Waymond Williams Sr.; mother: Frances Williams, and sister: Yvette Williams.

He leaves to cherish his memory *Wife:* Saglenda Williams; *Son:* Parrish Smith; *Sisters:* Wanda Williams and Rain (Everett) Robinson; *Brothers:* Waymone (Tangi) Williams, Tyrone (Dannita) Reggins and Shaun (Toya) Smith; *Mother- In -Love:* Janice Smith; *Brother- In -Love:* Vaughn (Kathy) Smith; *Nine Grandchildren* a host of *Aunts, Cousins, Nieces, Nephews, Special Niece:* Monica "BeNiece" Wells and *Special Nephews:* "Pots" and "Zeek".

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SCRIPTURE READING

OLD TESTAMENT: PSALM 23.....JALONEE CLEVELAND

NEW TESTAMENT: JOHN 14:14.....NI'ALA WILLIAMS

PRAYER OF COMFORT.....BISHOP EDWARD SHOUSE

SELECTION.....ANNETTE MCDANIELS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT/CONDOLENCES.....JANICE SMITH

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REMARKS.....TWO MINUTES PLEASE.....FAMILY AND FRIENDS

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