

*In Tribute*

## *I'm Free*

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,  
I'm following the path God has laid for me.  
I took His hand when I heard Him call,  
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day,  
To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way.  
I found peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Ah, yes, this too I will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow.  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I savored much,  
Good times, good friends,  
a loved one's touch.*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief.  
Don't lengthen it now, with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart and share it with me;  
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

## *Pallbearers*

*Family & Friends*

## *Floral Bearers*

*Classmates & Friends*

## *Acknowledgements*

*We, the family of Virgil Frederick Williams wish to thank each of you for your prayers and all the many loving and wonderful acts of kindness rendered during the passing of our loved one. May God bless each of you with his grace and mercy is our prayer.*

*Gratefully yours,  
The Williams Family*

*Professional Services Entrusted to  
Reverend Anthony J. Bracy, Jr. and the Staff of*



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*A Celebration of Life*

*for*

*Mr. Virgil F. Williams*

*March 18, 1971 – June 27, 2025*



**Tuesday, July 8, 2025 • 1:00 p.m.**

**Camden First United Methodist Church  
704 West DeKalb Street  
Camden, South Carolina 29020**

**Reverend Gregory V. Smith, Presiding**

# Life's Reflections

**Virgil Frederick Williams** departed this life on June 27th, 2025 at Lexington Medical Center in West Columbia, South Carolina. He was born on March 18th, 1971 in Camden, South Carolina to Fred Russell Williams and Mary Francis Williams. Virgil attended Macedonia Methodist Church during his younger years.

Virgil had a passion for comic books and reading. He was also a very good cook. He graduated from Camden High School in 1989 and also attended Devry University in Atlanta, Georgia. Virgil later relocated to Seaford, Delaware.

He was employed at Methodist Manor House in Delaware for 8 years. He later moved back to Columbia, South Carolina where he worked at BI-LO, Columbia Metropolitan Airport and UPS. Most recently, going back to his roots of serving people he was employed in downtown Columbia at Merrill Gardens of Columbia.

Virgil was a very humble and beloved young man. His off time was spent with the love of his life, his daughter Selah, going to safari or doing whatever her heart desired.

Virgil is survived by his loving and doting parents, Russell and Francis Williams; his precious daughter, Selah Strother; loving siblings, Stacey Smith of Elgin, South Carolina, Sloan Trammell (Marcus) of Seaford, Delaware and Russell "Rusty" Williams of Greenville, North Carolina; his nephew, Thomas "Tommy" Smith of Portsmouth, Virginia; niece, Morgan Trammell of Seaford, Delaware and great-nephew, Kayden Smith of Suffolk, Virginia; two aunts, Edna Smith of Camden, South Carolina; Catherine Counts of Lugoff, South Carolina and one uncle, Joe Louis Counts.

Memories of Virgil will go on from a host of cousins, other relatives, friends and a very dear friend, Helene Hoefler.

# Memories of Virgil...



# Order of Service

*Reverend Gregory V. Smith, Presiding*

PRELUDE ..... Eddie Ballard

PROCESSIONAL ..... Clergy & Family

OPENING  
SELECTION..... Sanders Creek Male Choir

SCRIPTURE  
READINGS..... Reverend Larry Alexander  
OLD & NEW TESTAMENT

PRAYER .....Clergy

SELECTION..... Sanders Creek Male Choir

REMARKS ..... Joe Counts, Family  
Belinda Davis, Community/Classmate  
Darrell Drakeford, Family Classmate

SOLO ..... Debra Hunter Clarke

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ..... Terry Robinson

SELECTION..... Sanders Creek Male Choir

WORDS OF  
COMFORT .....Reverend Gregory V. Smith

SELECTION & RECESSIONAL

INTERMENT  
Sanders Creek Baptist Church Cemetery  
Friendship Road, Camden, South Carolina 29020

Committal, Closing Prayer &  
Benediction