

WHEN TOMORROW STARTS WITHOUT ME

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When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not here to see;
If the sun should rise and find your eyes, all filled with tears for me.

I wish you wouldn't cry, the way you did today,

While thinking of the many things, we did not get to say.

I know how much you love me as much as I love you,

Each time that you think of me, I know you will miss me too.

But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand,

That an Angel came and called my name,
and took me by the hand.

The angel said my place was ready, in Heaven far above,
And that I would have to leave behind, all those I dearly love.

But as I turned to walked away, a tear fell from my eye,

For all my life, I'd always thought, I didn't want to die.

I had so much to live for, so much yet to do,

It seemed almost impossible, that I was leaving you.

I thought of all the yesterdays, the good ones and the bad,

I thought of all the love we shared, and all the fun we had.

If I could relive yesterday, just even for awhile,

I'd say goodbye and kiss you and maybe see you smile.

But then I fully realized, that this could never be,
for emptiness and memories, would take the place of me.

And when I thought of worldly things I might miss come tomorrow,

I thought of you, and when I did, my heart was filled with sorrow.

But when I walked through Heaven's gates, I felt so much at home

When God looked down and smiled at me

From His golden throne, He said, "This is Eternity
and all I promised you; today for life on earth is past,
but here, it starts anew

I promise no tomorrow but today will always last,
and since each day's the same way

There is no longing for the past.

"But you have been so faithful, so trusting and so true.

Though there were times you did some things
you knew you shouldn't do.

But you have been forgiven and now at last you're free.
So won't you take My hand and share My life with me?"

So when tomorrow starts without me,

don't think we're apart, for every time you think of me,
I'm right here in your heart.

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

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FLORAL BEARERS

Family & Friends

THE SERVICE OF COMMITMENT & INTERNMENT

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2026 * 11:00 AM

Tallahassee National Cemetery

5015 Apalachee Parkway * Tallahassee, Florida 32311

REPAST

Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

THE FAMILY'S MESSAGE OF GRATITUDE

We are indeed honored by your presence here today, as we assemble to celebrate the life of our beloved, **Richard Lee Demps**. While not having him here with us will be difficult to bear, we find comfort in knowing that he is now at peace with the Lord. Your calls, cards, floral arrangements, visits and prayers have all served as sources of strength for us as we endeavor to accept God's will. It is our fervent prayer that God will continue to keep you in His grace and loving care.

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Brother

Richard Lee Demps



Sunrise: November 17, 1956 – Sunset: February 8, 2026

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2026
TWO O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON

Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church

154 SOUTHWEST RAY CHARLES AVENUE
GREENVILLE, FLORIDA 32331

The Reverend Larry Williams, Interim Pastor

The Reverend Ernest Bruton, Eulogist

PASTOR, NEW CANAAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
GREENVILLE, FLORIDA

REFLECTIONS OF LIFE

RICHARD LEE DEMPS was the beloved son of James Clarence Demps and Ora Vincent Demps. He was born in Madison, Florida on November 17, 1956. **RICHARD** was preceded in death by his parents; and his siblings: James C. Demps, Jr., Clarence Demps, Elmo Demps, Blanche Jackson, Joan M. Demps, Ruth Livingston and Marvelous Demps.

RICHARD grew up in Madison County and shortly after leaving Greenville Training School, he served a full stint in the United States Army. Upon being honorably discharged, he settled in Greenville and later married the former Robin Reddick. **RICHARD** served faithfully as a member of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church. He was appointed as a member of the Trustee Board. He was an active participant in the church Choir. For many years, **RICHARD** was employed as a successful logger. In his leisure, fishing and spending quality time with his grandchildren were always top priority.

On Sunday, February 8, 2026, **RICHARD** surrendered to the Will of God and went Home to forever be with the Lord. Among those whom he leaves his love include his *wife of 36 years*: Robin Reddick Demps; *daughters*: Shamekqua Scott and Laketia Demps; *goddaughter*: Antonia Denson; *son*: Jaquese Demps; *grandchildren*: Cedric Jones, Cam Jones, Aniya Jones, Mekhi Roberson, Ryleigh Roberson, Jaterrius Demps and Jayden Morris; *sisters*: Ruby (William) Noble, Glynavus Powell, Clarice Demps and Cora Demps; along with countless nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude.....Shiloh MBC Choir

Processional.....Interim Pastor, Eulogist, Clergy, & Family

The Parting Glance & Seating of Family..... The *Tilman* Staff

Opening Selection Choir

PrayerReverend Ernest Bruton

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES:

Old Testament Minister Gwen Thomas

New Testament..... Reverend Larry Williams

Solo.....Sister Debra Lynn

REFLECTIONS & TRIBUTES:

Family & Friends (3)..... Two Minutes Each, *Please*

Resolutions & Acknowledgements.....Sister Peggy Williams

Selection Choir

WORDS OF COMFORT.....Reverend Ernest Bruton

Recessional.....Clergy, Family & Friends