

A SOLDIER'S FAITH



THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD; I SHALL NOT WANT.

HE MAKETH ME TO LIE DOWN IN GREEN PASTURES;

HE LEADETH ME BESIDE THE STILL WATERS.

HE RESTORETH MY SOUL;

HE LEADETH ME IN THE PATHS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS FOR HIS NAME'S SAKE.

YEA, THOUGH I WALK THROUGH THE VALLEY OF THE SHADOW OF DEATH,

I WILL FEAR NO EVIL; FOR THOU ART WITH ME;

THY ROD AND THY STAFF THEY COMFORT ME.

THOU PREPAREST A TABLE BEFORE ME

IN THE PRESENCE OF MINE ENEMIES;

THOU ANOINTEST MY HEAD WITH OIL;

MY CUP RUNNETH OVER.

SURELY GOODNESS AND MERCY SHALL FOLLOW ME ALL THE DAYS OF MY LIFE;

AND I WILL DWELL IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD FOREVER.

"WITH HONOR AND GRATITUDE FOR HIS SERVICE."

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PALLBEARERS



FAMILY & FRIENDS

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS



THE WILLIAMSON & HENRY FAMILY WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE FOR THEIR SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY DURING OUR TIME OF GRIEF. PLEASE KEEP US IN YOUR PRAYERS AS WE NAVIGATE THROUGH THIS NEXT CHAPTER WITHOUT OUR LOVED ONE.

REPAST & INTERMENT



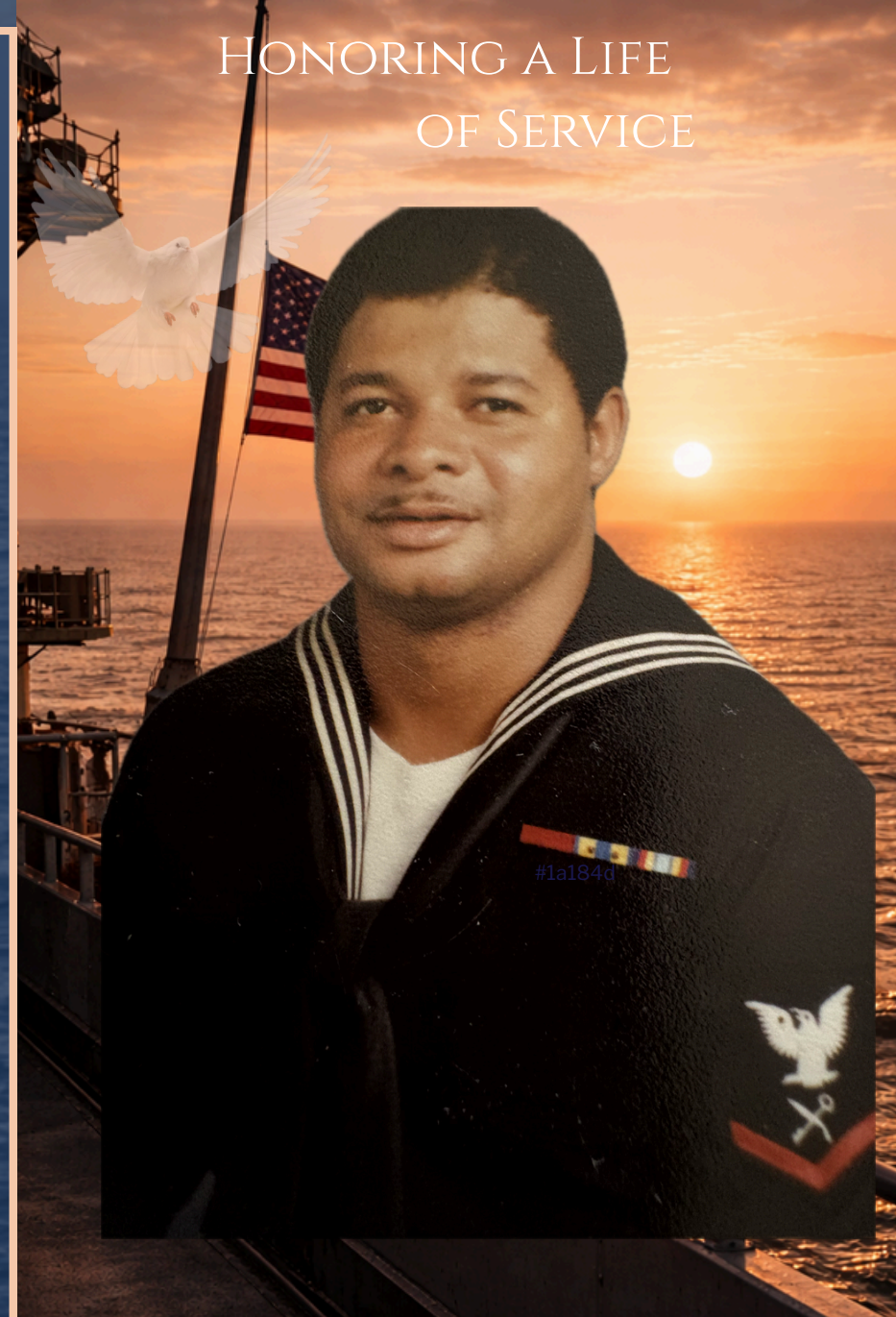
563 ROCK PILLAR ROAD
CLAYTON, NC 27520

INTERMENT

(MAY 26, 2026 AT 12PM)

EASTERN CAROLINA STATE VETERANS CEMETARY
164 LONGS PLANT FARM ROAD
GOLDSBORO, NC 27534

HONORING A LIFE OF SERVICE



JERRY "SONNY" WILLIAMSON

OCTOBER 12, 1955 ~ MAY 13, 2026

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2026

SANDERS FUNERAL HOME SMITHFIELD, NC

Jerry "Sonny" Williamson

CELEBRATING HIS LIFE

JERRY MARK WILLIAMSON (KNOWN TO LOVED ONES AS "SONNY") WAS BORN IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS ON

OCTOBER 12, 1955 TO THE LATE JAMES AND MARIE WILLIAMSON.

SONNY WAS BAPTIZED AT SAINT ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH AND RAISED IN A CATHOLIC ENVIRONMENT. HE WAS THE FOURTH OF TWELVE CHILDREN, WHICH INSTILLED RESPONSIBILITY AND MADE HIM FAMILY ORIENTED AT AN EARLY AGE.

A YEAR AFTER

GRADUATING FROM DUSABLE HIGH SCHOOL, SONNY ENLISTED IN THE NAVY IN 1977 AND ON OCTOBER 30, 1980 HE WED LORETTA (MAZYCK) WILLIAMSON AND STARTED BUILDING HIS FAMILY. WHILE IN THE NAVY, SONNY TRAVELED THE GLOBE SEVEN TIMES! ONE OF HIS

FAVORITE COUNTRIES WAS AFRICA, HE EVEN DREAMED ABOUT LIVING THERE PERMANENTLY. WHILE ACTIVE IN THE NAVY, SONNY SERVED IN THE PERSIAN GULF WAR, RECEIVED TWO SEA SERVICE DEPLOYMENT MEDALS, ONE INDIAN OCEAN MEDAL, A BARBER LICENSE AND WAS ON THE NAVY BOXING TEAM WHERE HE COMPETED WITH OTHER MILITARY BRANCHES. AFTER TWENTY YEARS, HE TIRED FROM THE NAVY AND WORKED VARIOUS JOBS. HIS LAST JOB C EMPLOYMENT WAS TOWN OF CARY WHERE HE

RETIRED AFTER 17 YEAR:

SONNY LOVED TO COOK, LISTEN TO OLD SCHOOL R&B MUSIC (ESPECIALLY MOTOWN), READ BOOKS AND WRITE POETRY. HE HAD A PASSION FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND ALWAYS KEPT UP WITH CURRENT EVENTS. HE ADORED CHILDREN AND THEY ALL ADORED HIM BACK, THEY ALWAYS REFERRED TO HIM AS THEIR FAVORITE UNCLE. SONNY WAS AN UNFORGETTABLE SOUL; HE WAS FUNNY, CHARISMATIC AND HARDWORKING. HE NEVER FORGOT A BIRTHDAY OR HOLIDAY AND ALWAYS KNEW HOW TO MAKE PEOPLE ON MAY 13, 2026 SONNY GAINED HIS WINGS FLYING TO ETERNAL REST AND PEACE.

SONNY'S BODY MAY NO LONGER BE HERE, BUT HIS SPIRIT AND MEMORY LIVES WITHIN US ALL FOREVER!

PRECEDED IN HIS DEATH BY HIS PARENTS JAMES AND MARIE WILLIAMSON; SISTERS VIENNA AND MARIE WILLIAMSON; BROTHERS MICHAEL AND ERICK WILLIAMSON; NIECE

CYNTHIA YVONNE WILLIAMSON AND NEPHEWS MAURICE WILLIAMSON AND JOSHUA LYN

SONNY LEAVES BEHIND TO CARRY HIS LEGACY: WIFE LORETTA WILLIAMSON; CHILDREN DERRICK WILLIAMSON, TIJWANA WILLIAMSON AND NATASHA (WILLIAM)

HENRY; GRANDCHILDREN RAEKWON

WILLIAMSON, RASHIA WILLIAMSON, BRIANNA

WILLIAMSON, KING WILLIAM HENRY, EMPRESS HENRY AND GODDESS HENRY; FOUR GREAT - GRANDCHILDREN; SIBLINGS JAMES WILLIAMSON, ROSIE LINDA WILLIAMSON, JUNE ANN WILLIAMSON, ANTHONY WILLIAMSON, CARL WILLIAMSON,

AUDREY YVETTE WILLIAMSON AND BARBARA JEAN WILLIAMSON; SISTER-IN-LAW DYANN HUDSON; BROTHERS-IN-LAW JAMES MAZYCK JR. AND HENRI MAZYCK, AS WELL AS A HOST OF NIECES, NEPHEWS, COUSINS, AUNTS AND UNCLES.

ORDER OF SERVICE

MUSICAL PRELUDE - SAMARIA BRODERICK
"PRECIOUS LORD TAKE MY HAND"

PROCESSIONAL - CLERGY & FAMILY

PRESIDING - PASTOR MATTHEW MCFARLIN

SCRIPTURE READING - PASTOR MATTHEW
MCFARLIN

MUSICAL SELECTION - SAMARIA BRODERICK
TAKE ME TO THE KING"

OBITUARY READING - NATASHA HENRY

EULOGY - ZELANDER HUDSON JR.

REFLECTIONS & REMARKS FROM SIBLINGS
(LIMIT TO 2 MINS)

REFLECTIONS & REMARKS (LIMIT TO 2 MINS)

PRAYER FOR COMFORT - JAMES MAZYCK JR.

RECESSIONAL

MUSICAL POSTLUDE - SAMARIA BRODERICK
"I'M GOING UP YONDER"

Forever In Our Hearts

