PALLBEARERS

Traivon Cherry
Christian Cherry
Devaughn Clark
Taylor King
Justin Stanford
Tim Brooks

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Chris Borders
David Ward
Carlos Council
Antonio Stanford

FLOWER BEARERS

Friends of the Family






REPASS

Westside Church of Christ
Fellowship Hall

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The family of the late Willie Archie Stanford extends our sincere thanks for all the acts of love and encouragement shown during the sudden loss of our loved one. Your display of affection and support will be remembered and individually acknowledged at a later time. It is our prayer that God continues to bless and keep you.

Services Entrusted to:
Newman Mortuary
114 Harper Dr ~ Ozark, AL | (334) 774-1064

IN LOVING MEMORY OF



Willie Archie Stanford

September 28, 1950 - October 17, 2026

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026
3:00 PM

Westside Church of Christ
968 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue ~ Ozark, Alabama

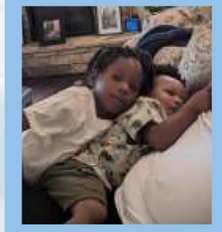














OBITUARY

Mr. Willie Archie Stanford was born September 28,1950 in Grenada,MS to the late Rosetta Stanford. He transitioned from this life on Oct. 17at the age of 76. He was surrounded by his family. He is proceeded in death by his mother, Rosetta Stanford; 3 brothers Willie Ed, Jessie Lee and Tommie Lee Stanford; 2 sisters, Sadie Brown and Madie Cain. Also a son, Cornelius Borders.

Willie attended public school in Grenada Ms. He later joined the Armed Forces where he met his loving, devoted wife Christine. He attended Bethany Bible College and Wallace College where he completed several accredited programs.

Mr. Stanford was employed at Newton Elementary school, worked on the Newton police force for several years and eventually retired from American janitorial in Dothan Al.

Willie accepted Christ at a very early age. He was baptized at Adam St. Church of Christ by Bro George Carson. He then began his journey to becoming a gospel preacher. He became the Assistant Minister here at Westside Church of Christ under the care of Bro Clarence Ferrell. He later became the full time pulpit minister where he remained until his passing from this earth. He was inspirational in leading many souls to Christ.

He leaves to cherish his memory his wife of 46 years Christine. Born of that union was Jennifer. Sons David(Valerie), Christopher (Sharon), another daughter Paris (Frank)

12 Grandchildren- Traivon, Monay, Christian, Serenity, Taylor, Justin, Jeremy, Cornelius Jr, Jamison, Davion, Devaughn and NaKia.

2 Great Grandchildren Maverick and Trevor.

1 sister Rosie Stanford

2 brothers Larry and Leo Stanford

A host of nieces, nephews, relatives, friends, his beloved church family here at Westside and the Churches of Christ all over.

Willie was loved by everyone that knew him and he was a father to many.

He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, fishing and playing dominoes. Most of all he enjoyed preaching to anybody that would listen. He was a storyteller you had to hear.

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free. I'm following the path God has laid you see.
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, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of the day.
If my parting has left a void then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss; oh yes, these things I too 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 friends, good times, a loved ones touch.
Perhaps a time seemed all to brief, don't lengthen it now with undo grief.
Lift your hearts and peace to thee, God wanted me now; He set me free.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude
song by the Dothanaires

Processional
Ministers and Family

Open in Prayer
Bro. Fantroy

Scripture Reading
Old Testament ~ Brother Bush
New Testament ~ Brother Phillips

Prayer of Comfort
Brother Jones

Song
The Spirituals

Minister Recognition

Words of Comfort
Brother Tripp

Acknowledgments
Paris and Jennifer

Special Remarks
His Children and Grandchildren

Song of Praise
The Dothanaires

Eulogy
Bro. James Daniel

Recessional Song
The Spirituals

Interment
Antioch Cemetery
West Miller Road ~ Newton, Alabama

I never imagined I would have to say goodbye to you this soon. Having to loose you while you were in my arms is a moment I will carry with me for the rest of my life. I wish I could have one more conversation with you, hear your voice one more time, and spend just a little more time with you. You meant more to me than words could ever explain and I will forever cherish the memories we shared. Although my heart is broken, I thank God for allowing me to have you in my life. You will always be apart of me, and I will carry your love with me, your lessons and your memory with me forever, wherever life takes me. I love you man, and I will miss you forever!
~Justin Stanford



























