



**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

*We the family of Mr. Michael Jerome Wallace Sr. wishes to extend our gratitude to all those who showed compassion during our hour of sorrow. Whether it was a phone call, card, a floral spray, a prayer, or simply kind words, your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. We thank the nurses and doctors at MS Baptist Hospital, Methodist Rehabilitation, Accent Home Health and Transitions Health for the care of our loved one. May you and your families be showered with an abundance of God's favor now and forever more.*

*The Family*

**HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

*Michael Wallace, Jr. | Marquas Wallace  
Eric Snow, Sr. | Ernest Bass  
Mylan Wallace | Malik Wallace  
THE MEN OF '77*

**ACTIVE PALLBEARERS**

*Curtis Mills, Sr. | Donald Mills, Sr.  
Eric Mills | Gregory Moseley  
Frank Washington | Lonnell Woodberry*

**FLOWER BEARERS**

*Class of 1977*

**INTERMENT**

*Glenwood Cemetery  
395 Mike Espy Drive  
Yazoo City, MS 39194*

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ENTRUSTED TO**



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**CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF**



*Michael Jerome Wallace, Sr.*

**SUNRISE: March 19, 1959 ♦ SUNSET: May 27, 2024**

*Forever In Our Hearts*

**Saturday, June 2, 2024 | 2:00 p.m.**  
**ST. MATTHEW CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**  
729 Calhoun Avenue Yazoo City, MS 39194  
Superintendent John H. Scott, Sr., Officiating Pastor

## LIFE'S REFLECTIONS

Michael Jerome Wallace was born on March 19, 1959, in Yazoo City, MS as the second child and baby to the late Willie Wallace, Sr. and the late Anna Mae Small Wallace.

Michael accepted Christ as a youth as his savior and joined St. Matthew Church of God in Christ under the leadership of the late Elder Percy Dean, Sr. After Pastor Dean's demise, Michael continued to serve faithfully under the leadership of Elder John H. Scott, Sr. until his health failed.

Michael, who was affectionally known as "Mike" received his education through the Yazoo City Public School District where he graduated from Yazoo City High School in 1977. He went on to further his education in Business Administration at Mississippi Valley State University, Itta Bena, Mississippi. After college, he returned to his hometown of Yazoo City, MS, and started his life in the workforce at Napa Auto Parts. He quickly left Napa Auto Parts and decided to complete training at the Police Academy to become a certified police officer with the Yazoo City Police Department. This was the beginning of Mike's professional career. He served and protected his hometown and later excelled in Law Enforcement as the Chief of Police. After serving with the Yazoo City Police Department for many years, he continued his devotion, commitment, and dedication to Law Enforcement with the Flora Police Department and Jackson Police Department as Deputy Chief. He later relocated to Vicksburg, MS, and assumed duties with the Vicksburg Police Department as an Officer, Investigator, and Internal Affairs. Mike also served in many capacities in many Law Enforcement Organizations from president to treasurer. In 2013, Mike returned to Yazoo City and assumed a new role with the Yazoo County Juvenile Center as a Youth Officer working with troubled teens in the court system. After 28 years of bravery, putting himself in harm's way to keep communities safe, with honor and respect, Mike retired from Law Enforcement. He was a Mason affiliated with the Light of Wisdom Lodge #246, Yazoo City, MS.

Although his career was demanding Mike always spent time with his children and grandchildren whom he loved dearly. He shared their accomplishments, visited with them, and supported their dreams and endeavors.

Mike transitioned from this earthly life on May 27, 2024, at his home. He was preceded in death by his parents: Anna Mae Small Wallace and Willie Wallace Sr.; brother: Willie Wallace, Jr. (Sonny); daughter: Katrina Wallace; and sister: Katherine Bass.

In September 2015, Mike married Ora Mills and made his home in the county of Vaughan MS. His memories are jealously guarded by his wife: Ora Mills Wallace; his children: Michael Wallace, Jr. (Marta) of Vine Grove, KY, Marquas Wallace of Chicago, IL, and April Quanee' of Atlanta GA; one sister: Nell (Harold) of Los Angeles CA; two brothers: Earnest Bass of Chicago, IL and Clifton Hatchett of Jackson MS; seven grandchildren: Malia and Michael III, both of Jackson MS; Mariah, Micha and Micayla, all of Vine Grove KY, Mylan Tuscaloosa of Alabama and Malik of Byram, MS; two brothers-in-law: Percy Mills and Michael Mills, both of Vaughan, MS; one sister-in-law: Betty Jean Wallace of Gary, IN, a very special friend whom he loved and cared for Eric Snow; along with a host of nieces and nephews, friends, co-workers, and loved ones.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

**Program Guide: Deacon Leandrew Mayberry**

### PROCESSIONAL

Ministers & Family

### PRAYER

Rev. Curtis L. Strong

### SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament | Deacon Thomas McGruder

New Testament | Minister Benjamin Patrick

### MUSICAL SELECTION

St. Matthew COGIC Sanctuary Choir

### WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Rev. Calvin Collins

### MUSICAL SELECTION

St. Matthew COGIC Sanctuary Choir

### EXPRESSIONS

Supervisor Mother Mary Scott | St. Matthew C.O.G.I.C

Tommie Maffett | Former Police Chief, Vicksburg, MS

Shirlene Anderson | Former Police Chief Jackson, MS

James Williams | Former Yazoo County Sheriff

### FAMILY EXPRESSIONS

Michael Wallace Jr. | Family

### MUSICAL SELECTION

Apostle Contrail Pate

### RESOLUTIONS

Sis. Bernita Washington | St. Matthew C.O.G.I.C

Yazoo City High School | Class of 1977

Benton High School | Class of 1976

### MUSICAL SELECTION

Choir

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Sis. Charlotte Scott

### OBITUARY

Read Silently

### MUSICAL SELECTION

Amazing Grace Instrumental | Bro. Steve Scott, Sr.

### EULOGY

Superintendent John H. Scott, Sr.

### SCOTT MEMORIAL

FUNERAL DIRECTORS IN CHARGE

### RECESSIONAL

Clergy, Family & Friends

## TRIBUTE TO MY WONDERFUL HUSBAND



Michael Jerome, we started this journey together building hopes and dreams with each other; you have made me the proudest and blessed wife in the world in so many ways and I will FOREVER love you for that. We had a wonder life together and planned for more, but God had plans for you as well. Thank you for loving me, protecting me, showering me with the most precious gifts, traveling the world, making me laugh and being the most wonderful husband, anyone could ask for. You were a God-fearing man, you were the greatest father, grandfather; you would light up like a Christmas tree when it came to your children and grandchildren and there was nothing you wouldn't do for them if you could; you sacrificed a lot for your family; I pray they too will remember that. I know the road was not always easy, but you made it work along with the help of God. I want you to know that through your illness and your inability to care for yourself I had no problem with caring for you and if I could do it all over again I would because you were my world and in SICKNESS and in HEALTH, TILL DEATH DUE US PART I took that vow serious and I did just that. I am going to miss you my love, I will never ever forget you; I will carry you in my heart forever; I want you to know I will continue to be there for our family we have together because when I accepted you, I accepted them too. There is so much I can say but you know what I am saying now I have said it to you many times before you left me, and I am so glad you already knew this. So, until we meet again my love, you REST well, I know you were tired and fought as long as you could so I give you back to God, but I need you to continue watch over me from Heaven and I will see you later my dear husband.

~ Your wife, Ora



## PSALM 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me to lie down in green pastures;

He leads me beside the still waters.

He restores my soul; He leads 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 You are with me;

Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

You anoint my head with oil; my cup runs 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.