



ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The family of Sam “Bobo” Granville Wilder III wishes to express our sincere appreciation for the many acts of kindness, comforting words, prayers, and support shown to us during this time of loss.

We are especially grateful for the visits, calls, food, and love shared by friends and family. Your thoughtfulness has helped carry us through this difficult time.

May God bless each of you for your kindness.

— The Wilder Family



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The CELEBRATION of life for



**JANUARY 11
1961**

**MAY 1
2025**

SAM “BOBO” GRANVILLE WILDER III

Thursday, May 8, 2025

Wake: 11:00 am

Funeral: 12:00 noon

Reverend Nathaniel Day, Pastor

Reverend Shirley Barnes, Officiating

New Bethel Baptist Church

1814 Gordon Rd, Clayton, NC 27520

OBITUARY

Sam “Bobo” Granville Wilder III was born on January 11, 1961, and departed this life on Thursday, May 1, 2025. He was one of eleven children born to the late Mr. Sam Granville Wilder Jr. and the late Mrs. Margie Ree Boyd Wilder.

Sam is preceded in death by his wife, Kathy Wilder, and his sisters, Debra Emory and Gloria Adams.

Born in Johnston County, North Carolina, Sam attended Johnston County schools. He worked in masonry and heavy-duty truck contracting. Sam loved the racetrack and was an avid NASCAR fan, especially on Sundays. He also enjoyed watching football, particularly the Philadelphia Eagles and the Dallas Cowboys.

Sam leaves to cherish his memory Four Sisters: Geneva Boyd of Clayton, NC; Brenda Wilder of Wilson Mills, NC; Tammy Finch (William) of Garner, NC; and Wendy Mitchell (Gary) of Zebulon, NC; Four Brothers: Larry Wilder (Charlene) of Florence, SC; Samuel Wilder of Smithfield, NC; Jason Wilder of Raleigh, NC; and Wayne Wilder (Sharita) of Clayton, NC; One Aunt: Penny Mae Bumpers of Clayton, NC; One Uncle: Windsor Boyd of Middlesex, NC; A Godson: Theo; and a host of nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends who will miss him dearly; along with Three Special Friends: Randall Hardee, Greg Burtch, and Dennis Barnes.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Musician
Elder MarQuintin Wilkins

Processional
Clergy and Family

Selection
Mrs. Anjanette Chapman

Scripture
Old Testament- Mrs. Samelia Wilder-Lee
New Testament-Mr. Wayne Wilder

Prayer of Comfort
Minister Sharon Somerville

Selection
Mr. William Finch

Acknowledgments and Obituary
Miss Shaquenia Dixon

Selection
Mrs. Anjanette Chapman

Eulogy
Rev. Nathaniel Day

Recessional

Repast
213 Pear Tree Lane
Wilson Mills NC, 27520