

COMMITTAL, BENEDICTION & INTERMENT

*Johnstown Community Cemetery
982 Alabama 27 ~ Ozark, Alabama*

PALLBEARERS

Grandsons and Nephews

FLOWER BEARERS

Nieces

REPASS

Pleasant Grove A.M.E. Zion Church



ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The Stanley family is deeply grateful for the outpouring of love and support shown during this difficult time. Your kindness and compassion have been a beacon of hope and strength, reminding us that even in moments of sorrow, the bonds of community and friendship uplift and inspire us all. Each message and gesture has been a light along our path, and we are truly blessed by your care.

Services Entrusted to:

Newman Mortuary



114 Harper Drive ~ Ozark, AL
(334) 774-1064



CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF



A.Z. Stanley

Sunrise:
November 4, 1940

Sunset:
April 24, 2026

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Saturday, May 2, 2026
11:00 AM

Pleasant Grove A.M.E. Zion Church
1219 Highway 27 East
Ozark, Alabama

OBITUARY

Mr. A.Z. Stanley was born on November 4, 1940 in Columbia, Alabama to the late Isaiah and Maebell Stanley. From the very beginning, his life was marked by strength, faith, and resilience.

At an early age, he accepted Christ and joined St. Walden Missionary Baptist Church in Rehobeth/Dothan, Alabama. His unwavering faith became a guiding light, inspiring all who knew him to walk with hope and purpose.

He is preceded in death by his beloved wife, Navie Stanley; his devoted parents, Mrs. and Mr. Isaiah Stanley; his cherished son, Marvin Stanley; and his siblings, three sisters and six brothers. Though he will be deeply missed, his legacy lives on through his loving family - his sons, Tony (Vevelyn) Stanley and Vincent (Rhonda) Barber both of Dothan, Alabama; daughters, Loria Gissendanner Stanley of Auburn, Alabama and Kathy (Morris) Stanley Wilburn of Cusseta, Alabama; and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

Mr. Stanley's life was a testament to the power of love, perseverance, and faith. He leaves behind a legacy that will inspire generations to come.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional

Pleasant Grove AME Zion Church Choir

Selection

A recording by the late A.Z. Stanley

Scripture Reading

Old and New Testament ~ Reverend James Dawsey

Prayer

Reverend James Dawsey

Tribute/Reflection of Life

Granddaughters Sky and Lanora

Selection

Tony Stanley

Acknowledgments

Newman Mortuary, Inc.

Eulogy

Reverend Boyd Fuller

Recessional

HIS JOURNEY'S JUST BEGUN

by: Ellen Brenneman

Don't think of him as gone away; his journey's just begun.

Life holds so many facets; this earth is only one.

*Just think of him as resting from the sorrows and the tears,
in a place of warmth and comfort where there are no days and years.*

*Think how he must be wishing we could know today
that nothing but our sadness can really pass away.*

*And think of him as living in the hearts of those he touched ...
for nothing loved is ever lost, and he was loved so much.*