

Order of Service

Saturday, September 5, 2026 10:00 AM
Evergreen Memorial Funeral Home
6449 University Hills Blvd
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- Processional..... Soft Music
- Final Glimpse Evergreen Directors
- Special Presentation Nursing Honor Guard
- Old Testament Reading.....Deacon Kerwin J. LaFrance
- New Testament Reading.....Deacon Kerwin J. LaFrance
- Prayer of Comfort Deacon Kerwin J. LaFrance
- Selection Diedra Moffitt
- Resolution..... Southern University Dallas Alumni Chapter
- Expressions of Love Limit 2 Minutes, please
- Selection Deidra Moffitt
- Message of Hope.....Deacon Kerwin J. LaFrance
- Recessional Soft Music

Acknowledgment

With heartfelt appreciation, we extend our sincere gratitude to our family, loved ones, friends, and all who stood beside us during the passing of our beloved father, Odell Washington Jr.

We are deeply grateful for your presence, prayers, comforting words, and the many thoughtful ways you supported us during this difficult time. Your kindness and compassion helped carry us through our moments of sorrow, and the love you have shown will always be remembered.

May God richly bless each of you for the care, comfort, and love you extended to our family.

— The Washington Family

Honorary Pallbearers

- Jimmy Betts (Deceased)
Chris Calloway
Melvin Little
Rev. Charles McGee (Deceased)
Cornelius Spencer
Donald Swindle
Odelio Washington (To Be Confirmed)

Interment

Monday, September 7, 2026 | 9:00 A.M.
Dallas–Fort Worth National Cemetery
2000 Mountain Creek Parkway
Dallas, Texas 75211

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Odell Washington Jr.

A TESTIMONY FOR MY FATHER

Abba YAHUAH (Father God), I come before Your Most Esteemed Presence to give this testimony on behalf of my father, Odell Washington Jr. He was the most perfectly imperfect person—a good man who is and always will be deeply loved. There were times when I did not fully understand or appreciate him as I should have. Yet, as I reflect upon his life and legacy, I am reminded that he truly was a man after Your Own Heart. As it is written in Ma'Aseh (Acts) 13:22, "...a man after Mine Own Heart, which shall fulfill all My will."

Even as he suffered repeated health challenges, he continued to press forward and endure—not only as a true soldier of HaMashiach (Christ), but also as a Black veteran of the Vietnam War. He had every reason to carry resentment toward You, Abba (Father), because he and so many other Black men bore the anger and guilt of fighting enemy combatants in Vietnam, only to return home and face even greater battles against the institutionalized systems of racism in America. Yet, instead of hating You, Abba, he chose to love You and lead countless others to You, even in the midst of his enemies.

He faced many enemies, for it is written in Eph'siym (Ephesians) 6:12, "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world and against spiritual wickedness in high places."

The spiritual training for evangelism that he received under Pastor E. K. Bailey, founder of Concord Church, was no different from the combat training he received in the military. I remember that during one of Pastor Bailey's sermons, a woman arose and began walking toward the pulpit. As she drew closer, the ministers and deacons stood to stop her. Pastor Bailey simply waved them back and said, "You all pray for me, because this woman has a spirit." What stood out to me was that he never interrupted his sermon or created a scene. He simply acknowledged what was against him in the spirit and continued fulfilling his ministry and calling.

Years later, near a homeless shelter in downtown Dallas, I noticed a woman approaching my father as he witnessed to a man. As she came closer, I discerned that the scene seemed eerily familiar. As it is written in Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes) 1:9, "The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun."

As the woman drew closer, Daddy briefly glanced in her direction and continued his conversation. When she came within arm's length, she squatted down and urinated beside him. Yet, my father never stopped speaking with the man and never created a scene. He simply acknowledged what was against him in the spirit and continued fulfilling his ministry and calling, just as he had been trained to do.

And now, as I have been trained to do as his child, Abba (Father God), I give my testimony of how I witnessed my father faithfully fulfill his ministry and calling as an evangelist. May he now approach Your throne boldly to receive his crown and hear You say, "...Well done, good and faithful servant..." as it is written in Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:21.

In YAHUSHA'S (Christ's) Name, please receive my father, Odell Washington Jr., into Your Eternal and Sanctified Presence. To You belong all esteem, glory, honor, and the utmost praise.

HalleluYAH!
Respectfully submitted by his daughter,
Chariese Washington

