

IN LOVING MEMORY

JUNE 29,
1936

AUGUST 8,
2026

Johnny
LEE WILSON

The Celebration of Life
Sunday, August 16, 2026
2:00 PM

The Chapel of Peace of Keith D. Biglow Funeral Directors, Inc.
1601 N. Wood Dr., Okmulgee, Oklahoma, 74447

Obituary

Mr. Johnny Lee Wilson passed away in the early morning hours of August 8, 2026. Johnny was the tenth child of A. W. (Scott) and Rosie Williams Wilson. He was born on June 29, 1936, in Okmulgee, Ok. Throughout his life, he was known by many names (John Boy; Tender; Killer; Dad; Big Daddy and Big Unk) each reflecting the many relationships he shared with those who loved him.

Johnny married the love of his life, Rae Ann Hill on August 16, 1958. Johnny and Rae were faithful to the Lord their entire lives and they served in several churches over the years including Cleaves Memorial CME; Northwest Baptist; Okmulgee Community and Osage Avenue Christian.

Johnny's heart for service extended well beyond the walls of the church. For 24 years, he was a volunteer at the Okmulgee Summer Multi-Cultural Enrichment Program. Of all his responsibilities, his favorite was filling the snack bags for the kids, and we estimate he filled over one hundred and fifteen thousand (115,000) bags. Johnny truly never met a stranger. He had a generous, kind and gentle spirit, making friends wherever he went.

Johnny was known for his cooking skills with sweet potato pie and fried corn being family favorites.

Johnny worked at seven different jobs during his life. He was employed at H&H Taxi (cab driver); Manhattan Company (Construction Worker); Mrs. Grace Ellison (Chauffeur); First National Bank (Janitor); American St. Gobain (Glass Cutter); OSU Tech (Dormitory Counselor) and Alliance Wall (Factory Worker). Johnny worked at Alliance Wall for twenty-two years. His job was to load a machine with material (frit) which required him to climb a ladder and empty 40+lb bags. The current operations manager estimates that Johnny carried over five thousand tons of material during his tenure.

Johnny was preceded in death by his parents; five brothers (Aaron; Isaiah (Bill); Clinton Sr; C.D (Top); and Leon); four sisters (Arita Ellis; Samantha Jefferson; Louise James and Willie Mae Reed) and two children (Leonard Jones and Lorenzo Franklin).

He leaves to cherish his memory his beloved wife, Rae Ann Wilson; sister (Velma Hall); four children (Diane Wilson Jordan/Charles; Vanessa Wilson Miller/Robert; Cassandra Jones and Stephen Willis/Gladys) and fourteen grandchildren (David Wilson/Shannon; Tyrone Harris/Tiffany; Stephanie Willis; LaKesha Jones; Tamara Jones; LaWanda Jones; Leonard Jones Jr; Natasha Jones; Tiffany Jones; Lenny Jones; Jason Jones; Brandon Jones; Tamara Franklin and Tamon Franklin).

His legacy continues through ten great-grandchildren (Tyler Harris, La'Teyon Finley, Ja'Quan Jones, Tay Veon Thompson, Dalayjha Jones, Char'Lesha Thompson, Kiera Davis, Kiana Davis, Alexia Jones, and Dell Byers Jr.) and five great-great-grandchildren (Layla Finley, Zac'Ora Jones, Tahir Mamu El, Aaliyah Thompson, and Hymn Mamu El).

Johnny also leaves four cherished godchildren (Yolanda Carter, Iman Hall, Casha Hall, and Kennan James) along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends.



Order of Service

GREETING

Thaddeus Hall

MUSICAL SELECTION

PRAYER OF COMFORT

Reverend Harold White

COMFORT FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Old & New Testament

Pastor Susan Hunt Smith

MUSICAL SELECTION

REFLECTIONS

RECESSIONAL

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I have loved my work, I have loved people and my play, but always I have been uplifted by the thought that what I have done well will live long and justify my life, that what I have done ill or never finished can now be handed on to others for endless days to be finished, perhaps better than I could have done.

W.E.B. DuBois



His hands worked hard.

His heart gave freely.

His faith remained strong.

And his love will live on through generations.



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Comfort, Care & Understanding



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