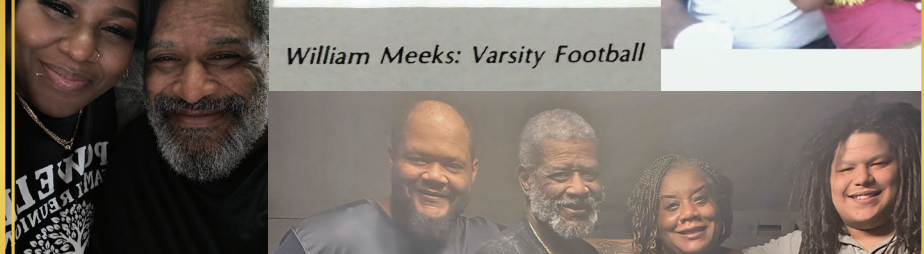
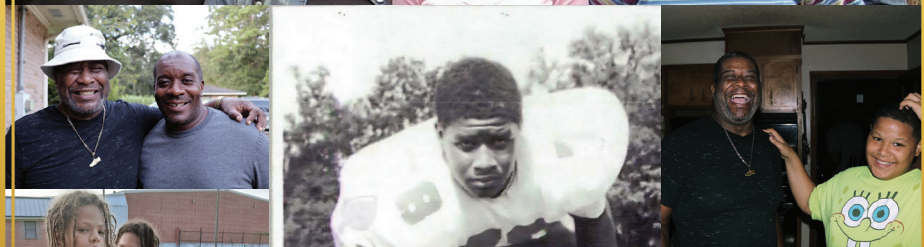


PRECIOUS MEMORIES



William Meeks: Varsity Football

HONORARY PALLBEARERS
Lemuel Meeks, Sr.
Andrew Swilley
Derrick Thomas
Edwin Thomas
Warren Thomas
Alvin Wright

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS
Dave Johnson
Hayden Meeks
Hunter Meeks
Justin Meeks
Lemuel Meeks, Jr.
Aaron White

FLORAL BEARERS
Nieces & Friends
North Florida Christian School Class of 1983

Earthly Bed of Slumber
U.S. Navy Honors
Tallahassee National Cemetery | 1400 Hours
5015 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, Florida 32311

Repast
Immediately following the Earthly Bed of Slumber,
the Family invites you to join them for a Repast at
Dade Street Church of God of Prophecy.

THE FAMILY'S MESSAGE OF GRATITUDE
The family of U.S. Veteran William McKinley "Kenny" Meeks, Jr. extends our sincere and heartfelt gratitude for every prayer, comforting word, visit, call, expression of love, and act of kindness shown to us during this time of bereavement. Your presence and support have strengthened our hearts and reminded us of the many lives Kenny touched throughout his journey of faith, family, friendship, and service. As we honor his life and cherish his memory, we pray that God richly bless each of you for standing with our family and helping us salute a life well lived and a legacy that will forever remain in our hearts. With Sincere Gratitude & Love, The Family

We would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude for the trust you have placed upon us during the Homegoing Service of your loved one. Our fervent hope is that all measures of assistance rendered to your family have been completed in detail. For all your confidence placed in our staff and me, we will be forever grateful.

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"Kenny"

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April 6, 1965



ANSWERED THE
FINAL CALL
August 28, 2026

Friday, September 11, 2026 | 11:00 AM

DADE STREET CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY
1221 Dade Street | Tallahassee, Florida 32305
Minister T. Wayne Hall, Gracious Host

Bishop Frederick Jackson, Eulogist
Pastor, Christian Faith Church | Bradenton, Florida

HIS LIFE. HIS SERVICE. HIS LEGACY.

William McKinley "Kenny" Meeks, Jr.

William McKinley Meeks, Jr., affectionately known as “Kenny,” began his earthly journey on April 6, 1965, in Tallahassee, Florida. He was born to William McKinley Meeks, Sr. and Gennieve Perry Meeks and was reared in a loving Christian home where the importance of faith, family, and togetherness was instilled in him at an early age.

Kenny grew up alongside his siblings, Sharon, Arndreal, and Lemuel. Following the passing of their father, his mother later remarried Johnny J. Arnold, who became an important part of the family and was present throughout Kenny’s formative years. Through this union, the family was blessed to grow once more when Kenny became the proud big brother of Gayle Arnold. Together, the Meeks-Arnold family shared countless moments of laughter, love, and fellowship, creating cherished memories and enduring family bonds that would become even more precious with the passing of time.

AN ATHLETE. A SAILOR. A SERVANT.
Kenny was educated at North Florida Christian School, where he distinguished himself as a gifted student-athlete. As a member of the Eagles football team, his natural athleticism and talent were evident both on the football field and in other sports. His abilities earned him an opportunity to pursue football at the collegiate level.

Yet, when presented with the opportunity to continue his athletic career, *Kenny* chose another calling—service to his country.

Following graduation, he enlisted in the United States Navy, exchanging the football field for a uniform of service and honor. *Kenny* faithfully served the United States of America for several years before receiving an Honorable Discharge. His military service became an enduring part of his story and reflected qualities that remained evident throughout his life: discipline, strength, responsibility, and commitment.

His service to others did not end when his military duty was complete.

Kenny later embarked upon a career with Leon County, serving as a Supervisor within the Work Release Program. In this role, he did more than oversee men assigned to his supervision. He sought to provide direction, structure, accountability, and encouragement as they worked toward returning to their families and communities prepared to live productive lives.

Kenny understood the importance of finding a better “way,” and the foundation of his own way was his decision to accept Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior. His faith remained important to him, and in later years he especially enjoyed watching church services online and remaining connected to the Word of God.

THE MAN WE KNEW AS “*Kenny*”
Beyond his accomplishments and service, Kenny will be remembered most for the man he was to those who loved him.

He was a devoted father, proud grandfather, loving brother, cherished relative, and faithful friend. Family mattered deeply to *Kenny*, and spending time with those he loved brought him tremendous joy.

He enjoyed traveling, fishing, repairing cars, and attending car shows. His appreciation for automobiles reflected a natural curiosity and enjoyment of working with his hands. And when football season arrived, there was little question where his loyalty rested—*Kenny*

was an enthusiastic Florida Gators fan, often enjoying the games alongside his sister, Gayle.

Whether surrounded by family, working on a car, casting a fishing line, watching the Gators, or simply enjoying good conversation, *Kenny* appreciated the moments that made life meaningful.

HIS LEGACY CONTINUES
Kenny leaves a loving family to cherish his life and carry forward his memory, including his five children, Courtney (Phillip) Combs, Justin (Stacy) Meeks, Heaven Meeks, Hunter Meeks, and Hayden Meeks; and three beloved grandchildren, Justin Meeks, Jr., Jordan Meeks, and Jaelyn Meeks.

He also leaves his brother, Lemuel L. (Tiawana) Meeks, Sr.; three sisters, Sharon (Hubert) Knight, Arndreal (Bishop Frederick) Jackson, and Gayle Arnold; four aunts, Celestine Thomas, Grace (Jimmy) Fritz, Ann (Michael) James, and Gwen (Theodore) Stephens; nephews, Andrew Swilley, Lemuel (Amber) Meeks, Jr., and Aaron (Alexis) White; nieces, Lucretia (Dave) Johnson, Bethany Jackson, Lydia Jackson, Jada Jackson, Shatavia Meeks, and Zykire Knight; cousins, Warren (Cassandra) Thomas, Derrick (Lourdes) Thomas, Edwin (Jeanine) Thomas, and Alvin (Vivian) Wright; along with a host of extended family members, friends, former coworkers, fellow veterans, and others whose lives were touched by his presence.

Kenny was preceded in death by his loving parents, William McKinley Meeks, Sr. and Gennieve Perry Meeks; his nephew, Jeffrey Swilley; cousin, Jerome Wright; uncle, Albert Thomas; aunt, Manuel Wright; his bonus fathers; grandparents; and other beloved aunts, uncles, relatives, and dear friends who completed their earthly journeys before him.

Today, we remember more than the dates that marked *Kenny’s* beginning and ending. We remember the life lived between them.

We remember the athlete who possessed the talent to pursue the game, yet chose to answer a greater call to serve his country.

We remember the sailor who wore the uniform with honor.

We remember the supervisor who sought to help others find a better way.

We remember the father and grandfather who loved his family.
We remember the brother, relative, friend, and man of faith whose presence became part of our own stories.

His earthly watch is complete, but the impact of his life remains.

*The Sailor has stood his final watch.
The servant has completed his duty.
The journey has reached its harbor.
And the memories of “Kenny” will remain forever anchored in the hearts of those who loved him.*

*Fair winds and following seas, Kenny.
Your watch is complete. Rest well.*

THE DIVINE ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude The *J.P. Moore* Gospel Chorale & Band

Processional..... Eulogist, Clergy, Mortician & Family

Parting Glance & Seating of the Family.....The *J.P. Moore* Staff

The Prayer of Consolation..... Pastor T. Wayne Hall

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

Old Testament..... Bishop Lawrence Singleton, Sr.

New Testament Assistant Pastor Theodora Knowles

Musical Selection..... The *J.P. Moore* Gospel Chorale
“*I Trust in God*”

FAMILY REFLECTIONS & TRIBUTES

Two Minutes Each, Please

As a Father Hayden Meeks

As a Brother..... Minister Arndreal M. Jackson

Family Tribute Minister Lucretia Johnson, Niece

Acknowledgements & Resolution The *J.P. Moore* Staff

Sermonic Selection Pastor Kelvin Jackson

Words of Comfort Bishop Frederick Jackson

Mortician’s Brief Mr. Jamarien “J.P.” Moore, LFD

Recessional Clergy & Family

*He served his country with honor,
loved his family with devotion,
and lived a life that touched generations.*