

WEEP NOT FOR ME

Weep not for me though I have gone
Into that gentle night
Grieve if you will, but not for long
Upon my soul's sweet fight
I am at peace, my soul's at rest
There is no need for tears
For with your love I was so blessed
For all those many years
There is no pain, I suffer not
The fear is now all gone
Put now these things out of your thoughts
In your memory I live on
Remember not my fight for breath
Remember not the strife
Please do not dwell upon my death
But celebrate my life
By an Unknown Author

Pallbearers
Nephews and Grandsons

Honorary Pallbearers
Family and Friends

Flower Bearers
Nieces and Granddaughters

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

The family of Ben Wright, Sr. would like to express our sincere gratitude and heartfelt thanks for prayers and support during this difficult time for our family. Even though we will miss him, it is extremely comforting to have the support of such wonderful family and friends. We sincerely appreciate your love, prayers, and condolences. A Special thanks to the staff at Twin Towers who comforted and cared for him during his illness, you are truly a blessing to our family.



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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF



BEN WRIGHT, SR.

January 24, 1923 – October 31, 2017

SERVICE

Saturday, November 11, 2017 – 11:00 a.m.

Antioch Baptist Church
2051 Antioch Church Road
Greensboro, Georgia 30642

Rev. Charles Reeves, Pastor, Officiating

ORDER OF SERVICE

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| Prelude..... | Musician |
| Processional..... | Clergy, Family, & Friends |
| Selection..... | Antioch Mass Choir |
| Scripture | |
| The Old Testament..... | Prophetess Linda Wright |
| The New Testament | Sister Essie Birgans |
| Prayer..... | Rev. David Blockum |
| Selection..... | Wright-Early Family Reunion Choir |
| Reflection..... | Stanley Wright & Tyrone Rowland |
| Acknowledgment of Cards & Condolences..... | Terri Wilcots |
| Obituary..... | (Read Silently) |
| Eulogy..... | Rev. Charles Reeves |
| Acknowledgment..... | Watkins Funeral Home |
| Recessional..... | Clergy, Family, Friends |

INTERMENT

Antioch Baptist Church Cemetery



OBITUARY

Ben Wright, Sr. was born January 24, 1923 in Greensboro, Georgia to the late Hattie and Major Lee Wright. Ben left his hometown of Greensboro, GA at the young age of 20, to serve in the Army during World War II. He often shared memories of his war experience which provided him opportunity to travel the world. After returning from war, Ben married Johnnie Ruth Hall, and they relocated to Cincinnati where they raised their 7 children. He was a long and faithful member of New Christian Life Baptist Church during his years in Cincinnati, where he served as a Deacon. He was a Licensed Operator and drove a semi-truck, working for Crane Supply Company for many years before retiring. He briefly lived in San Diego, CA after retirement, but then returned south to Atlanta, GA, where he lived until age 90.

Ben spent the last 4 years of his life in Cincinnati doing what he loved best, living life to the fullest. Whether he was sneaking off to the local donut shop, gambling at the casino, playing dominos, or riding around the city as his son's side-kick, he always had a funny story to share with anyone who would listen. One of his favorite stops was his son-in-law's store where he would pick up a pack of cigarettes and a pint of wine (or two). He was blessed to have the daily care of his son and daughter-in-law. Despite his age, he had a healthy appetite. He regularly requested watermelon, pig feet, beans, buttermilk and cornbread, and he would eat every bite.

He was known by many names: Daddy, Grandpa, Pops, Ben, Uncle Buck, Buckshot, Big Ben in 210. Remember him for his side-splitting wit, or one of his many sayings like "...funny looking duck", or "I'm Ben Wright and I've been right all my life." Ben loved life and knowing him was truly a blessing.

Ben passed away on October 31, 2017 peacefully at Twin Towers Life Enriching Community after a short illness. He died in the presence of loved ones wrapped in his family reunion quilt. He was 94 years old.

Ben is survived by his sister, Christine Wright Rowland of Greensboro; his sisters-in-law, Dorothy Wright of Atlanta and Delores Wright of Cincinnati; his children, Essie Birgans of Cincinnati, Ella Adams of Atlanta, Ben Wright, Jr. of Cincinnati, Stanley Wright (Donna) of Cincinnati, Rickey Wright of Atlanta, and Deborah Moore (Tony) of Cincinnati; his ten grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren; four great-great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and loved ones.

Ben is preceded in death by his wife, Johnnie; his brothers, Cornelius, Jimmy, Lorenzo, and Russell; his sisters, Bertha, Sara, Carol, Lillie; his son, Major Lee Wright; his grandson, Barry Lee Adams, Jr.; and his great-grandson, Mark A. Hall, II.