

*He Did It,
Again*

*William Gilbert Graham
"Our Poppie"*

Sunrise

June 7, 1943

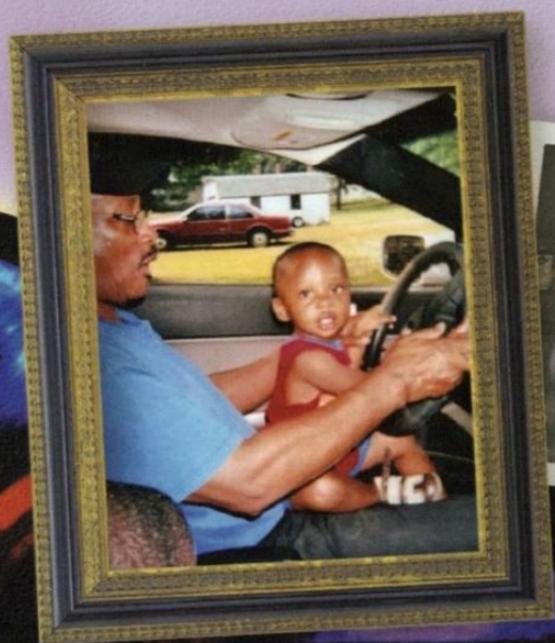
Sunset

July 14, 2023



William Gilbert Graham, age 80, of Coatesville, PA passed on Friday, July 14, 2023, at home with his family by his side. William was born in Coatesville, PA on June 7, 1943, the son of

the late Robert Lee and Margaret Franklin Graham. William was the husband of Elsie Elizabeth Graham (nee Parker), with whom he shared 55 years of marriage.



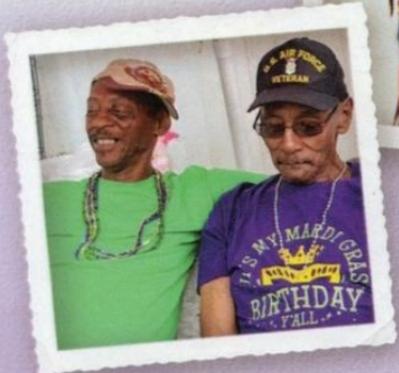


William was a graduate of S. Horace Scott High School where he was a member of the basketball team. He served his country in the United States Air Force. William worked at the G.O. Carlson Steel Company for 26 years before his retirement. He was a long-time member of the historic Hutchinson Memorial UAME Church where he served as a steward, member

of the men's club, the culinary staff, the Mighty Men of Hutchinson Men's Choir, and the Sunrise Choir. William shared a love of cooking, gardening, travel, and was an avid fan of the Washington Commanders (formerly the Redskins); but his truest loves were his wife and family.

William had a good heart and was a humble servant of the Lord. He will be deeply missed by his wife, Elsie; daughters Arlene Bryant Scott of Jacksonville, FL, Jane Kennedy of Coatesville, PA, Diane Deas (Mark) of Jacksonville, FL; brother, Wayne Graham (Teresa) of Coatesville, PA; grandchildren Kendra Reeves of Newport News, VA, whom he raised, Adam Scott VI of





Coatesville, PA, Dionna Kennedy of Coatesville, PA, Roland Kennedy, Jr. of New York City, NY, and Justin Deas of Jacksonville, FL; eight great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. William is preceded in death by his parents and siblings Glen Mays Graham, Maxine

“Max” Baker (nee Graham), Robin Graham, Rodney Graham, Sabrina Graham, and Shirley Mae Gambala. Sorrowfully Submitted, The Family



HOMEGOING SERVICE

Wednesday, July 19, 2023 | 11:00 AM

The Historic Hutchinson Memorial UAME Church

825 East Chestnut Street Coatesville, Pennsylvania

Rev. Jeffrey A. Miller, Sr., Pastor

Order of Service

Processional *Clergy & Family*

Local Veterans Tribute

Final Viewing

Presiding . . . *Bro. David Singleton and Bro. David Whitaker*

Opening Hymn *What a Fellowship / Leaning on Jesus*

Old Testament Scripture *Rev. Bernadette Campbell*

New Testament Scripture *Rev. Robert L. Davis*

Prayer of Comfort *Rev. Rachel McDougal*

Reading of the

Obituary and Cards *Minister Carolyn Miller*

Resolutions *Sis. Sharon Hardin*

Selection *Bro. Roland Kennedy, Jr. &*

Rev. Bernadette Campbell

“When I Think About the Lord”

Reflections *Carl Chambers*

Lawrence Smallwood

Dior Neal Kennedy

Selection

Eulogy *Rev. Jeffrey A. Miller, Sr.*

Military Tribute

Recessional Directives *Ventnor T. Wright,*

Funeral Director

Ringling of the Historic Memorial Bell

Recessional *Clergy & Family*

Dove Release

PALLBEARERS

Amir Kennedy
Roland Kennedy, Jr.
Michael Graham

Dior Kennedy
Justin Deas
Carl Chamber

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Michael Curry
Nick Lee

Wayne Graham
Lawrence Smallwood
David Whitaker

FLOWER BEARERS

Granddaughters, nieces, and cousins

INTERMENT

Friday, July 21, 2023
Indiantown Gap National Cemetery
Annville, Pennsylvania

A NOTE OF THANKS

*Thank you with sincere gratitude
for your care and concern
shown to us during our time of bereavement.
May God bless you.*



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