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The family of Larry Jefferson Washington would like to extend a special thanks to Unity Hospice and Palliative Care – Chicago, IL. We would also like to express our sincere thanks to Shaffer and Collins Funeral Home and all of you for the many prayers, calls, cards, and other acts of kindness expressed during this time of bereavement. May God's blessings be upon each of you.

## Honorary Pallbearers

Charles Washington
Willie Bratton
Roger Ealey
Calvin K. Ealey
Tommie Underwood
Willie Underwood
Jerry Underwood
Carey Underwood
Jamie Underwood

## Active Pallbearers

Shaundell Bracey, Sr.
Shaundell Bracey, Jr.
Charles Jackson
Dexter Ealey
Octavius Harris, Sr.
Octavius Harris, Jr.

## Flowerbearers

Ushers, Family & Friends

## Committal and Interment

Smith Chapel M.B. Church Cemetery

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ENTRUSTED TO:

**SHAFFER-COLLINS FUNERAL HOME**
**"OUR FAMILY SERVING YOUR COMMUNITY"**
**247 WEST SIXTH STREET, YAZOO, MS 39194**
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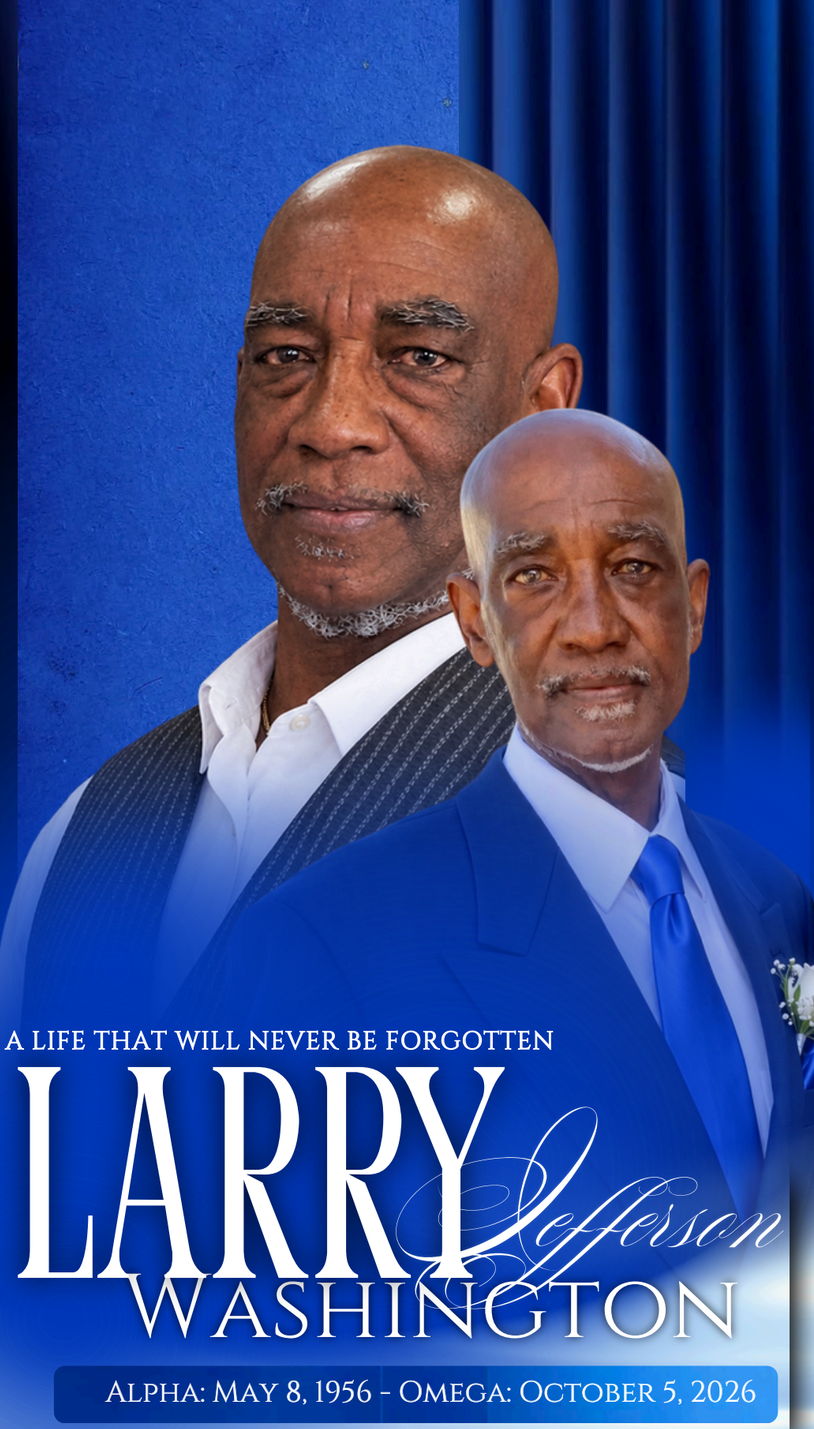

A LIFE THAT WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN

# LARRY Jefferson WASHINGTON

ALPHA: MAY 8, 1956 - OMEGA: OCTOBER 5, 2026

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2026 | 11:00 AM**
**SMITH CHAPEL M.B. CHURCH**
**323 LIVINGSTON VERNON ROAD, FLORA, MS 39071**
**PASTOR RANDY SPENCER, OFFICIATING**

# A LIFE WELL LIVED

You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy: At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore. (Psalm 16:11 NKJV)

## His Life and Legacy

Larry Jefferson Washington was born on May 8, 1956, in Flora, MS, to the late Anna B. Washington. On October 5, 2026, Larry departed this earthly life, leaving behind a lifetime of cherished memories and a legacy of love.

He was preceded in death by his beloved mother, Anna B. Washington; his youngest son, Larry Kenyon Washington; and his baby sister, Brenda W. Hobson-Davis.

At an early age, Larry confessed his faith in Jesus Christ and was baptized under the leadership of Reverend W. D. Carr at Smith Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Flora, MS. After relocating to LaGrange Park, IL, he united with Freedom Hillside Baptist Church in Hillside, IL, under the pastoral leadership of Rev. Dr. Craig Melvin Smith.

Larry received his education in the Madison County School District and proudly graduated from East Flora High School with the Class of 1975. During his high school years, he was an active member of the basketball and baseball teams, proudly representing "The Mighty Hawks." His love for sports and the camaraderie he shared with his teammates became treasured memories of his younger years. Larry continued his education at Hinds Community College before entering the workforce.

Larry was blessed with a natural gift of connecting with people, a personality and charm that served him well throughout his career. His professional success was so extraordinary that one dealership recognized his outstanding performance by providing him with a company credit card and the freedom to purchase whatever he desired. He also won the Salesman of the Year Award at the Chicago Auto Show shortly after he moved to Chicago. These awards reflected the confidence placed in him and stood as a testament to his talent, determination, and excellence in his chosen profession.

On June 5, 2004, Larry was united in Holy Matrimony to Diane Collins. Their union was a meaningful chapter in his life's journey. Although Larry's earthly journey has come to an end, the memories he created and the lives he touched will remain forever in the hearts of those who knew and loved him.

## Cherished Memories

Larry leaves to cherish his precious memories his devoted wife, Diane Washington of LaGrange Park, IL; one loving son, Shaundell (Shelia) Bracey, Sr. of Flora, MS two daughters, Crystal Floyd Morris of Jackson, MS and Natasha Jones of Washington, D.C.; one sister, Glenda Ross-Ball (L.V., Sr.) of Flora, MS; and two brothers, Charles (Ozella) Washington and Willie Bratton, both of Flora, MS.

He also leaves three bonus children, April Underwood of LaGrange Park, IL, Demetrice (Cedric) Woodard of Jackson, MS and Carey Underwood of Minneapolis, MN; one sister-in-law, Patricia (Michael Beale) Larry of Jackson, MS; and four brothers-in-law, Jamie (Dorothy) Underwood of Jackson, MS Tommie (Cassie) Underwood of Chicago, IL, Willie Underwood of Memphis, TN, and Jerry Underwood of Picayune, MS.

His legacy of love continues through his sixteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, who will forever carry a part of him in their hearts. Larry shared a special bond with his two beloved nieces, Sylvia Wilson of Milwaukee, WI, and T. Latrice (Octavius) Harris of Jackson, MS, each of whom held a special place in his heart.Larry's memory will also be treasured by a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and dear friends whose lives were touched by his presence.

# Order of Service

Sis. Erica Jordan-Brown, Program Guide

Prelude
Musicians

Processional
Pastor and Family

Old & New Testament
Pastor Robert P. Gibbs

Prayer
Pastor Clyde Tate

Musical Selection
Smith Chapel Sanctuary Choir

Tribute from Class of 1975
Bro. Don Coleman

Acknowledgements & Resolutions
Sis. Erica Jordan-Brown

Solo
Pastor Clyde Tate

Eulogy
Pastor Randy Spencer

Funeral Directors in Charge
Shaffer-Collins Funeral Home

Recessional
Pastor and Family



## 'WHEN I AM GONE'

When I come to the end of my journey
And I travel my last weary mile,
Just forget if you can, that I ever frowned
And remember only the smile.
Forget unkind words I have spoken;
Remember some good I have done.
Forget that I ever had heartache
And remember I've had loads of fun.
Forget that I've stumbled and blundered
And sometimes fell by the way.
Remember I have fought some hard battles
And won, ere the close of the day.
Then forget to grieve for my going,
I would not have you sad for a day,
But in summer just gather some flowers
And remember the place where I lay,
And come in the shade of evening
When the sun paints the sky in the west
Stand for a few moments beside me
And remember only my best.
"See you on the other side",

Larry