

The Bearers

Family & Friends

Acknowledgement

Our family is deeply grateful to everyone for the love, care, prayers, compassion, and expressions of kindness shown to Elder Collins during his life and since his passing. We find comfort in knowing that his spirit is at rest and that he is now reunited in heaven with his parents, siblings, his beloved wife, and most of all, his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.



"On the 'morrow, when all is done..."
"Comfort, Care, and Understanding"

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Forever in Our Hearts

*"To be absent from the body is to be present
with the Lord."*

(2 Corinthians 5:8)



Elder DL Ramon Collins

July 16, 1939 ~ January 14, 2026

Reflection of Life

Elder DL Ramon Collins

On July 16, 1939, in Tucson, Arizona, a precious baby boy was born to Riley and Florence Collins. They named him DL Ramon Collins. He was the twelfth of thirteen children. He attended primary and secondary schools in California and, after completing his junior year of high school, chose to forgo his senior year and enlist in the United States Air Force. It was during his Air Force service that he accepted Jesus Christ into his life. He lived in San Jose, California, for several years before moving to Portland, Oregon. There, he earned his Bachelor's degree in Administration of Justice at Portland State University and, soon after, a Master's degree in Social Services.

While living in Portland, he met the love of his life, Azaeline Mullen. They were married on February 26, 1992, and relocated to Tulsa, Oklahoma, in 1993. Elder DL was a man of faith and a devoted member of First United Holiness Church in Okmulgee, Oklahoma, where his brother, Elder Manoah Collins, served as Pastor. He regularly commuted to Okmulgee for services; however, when the weather made travel difficult, he and his wife would fellowship with other holiness churches in Tulsa. One of the churches he frequented was Lifeline Outreach Ministries, where he and Pastor Rahe Orr began an everlasting friendship.

Elder DL loved to stay active and found great joy in decorating his home—HomeGoods and Bed Bath & Beyond were two of his favorite stores. When he wasn't at home, you could often find him enjoying long drives down Riverside, especially during the summer, or dining at one of his two favorite restaurants, The Cheesecake Factory or Charleston's. His warm, inviting spirit helped him make friends wherever he went. He genuinely loved being around people—learning their stories, sharing his wisdom and faith, and praying with each person. He had an incredibly generous heart, always giving what he had to anyone in need.

On January 14, 2026, Elder DL Collins went to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. He is preceded in death by his wife, Azaeline Collins, of 24 years; his parents, seven sisters, and five brothers.

He leaves to cherish his memory: one son, Todd Turner; one daughter, Mellanie Collins; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends; and Bianca Butler, whom he lovingly regarded as his granddaughter and whom she affectionately called Papa.

Order of Service

Wednesday, January 28, 2026—11:00 AM
Keith D. Biglow Funeral Directors, Inc
1414 N Norfolk Ave | Tulsa, OK

Prelude Music

Dew of Heaven – Dappy T Keys

Officiant

Pastor Hubert Fary

Pentecostal Temple COGIC

Comfort from the Scriptures

Expressions from Family & Friends

Reading of the Reflection of Life

Final Remarks

Closing Prayer

Resting Place

1:30 PM
Fort Gibson National Cemetery
1423 Cemetery Road
Ft. Gibson, OK 74434