

REMEMBER ME

To the living, I am gone,
To the sorrowful, I will never return,
To the angry, I was cheated,
But to the happy, I am at peace,
And to the faithful, I have never left.

I cannot speak, but I can listen.
I cannot be seen, but I can be heard.
So as you stand upon a shore gazing at a beautiful sea,
As you look upon a flower and admire its simplicity,
Remember me.

Remember me in your heart:
Your thoughts, and your memories,
Of the times we loved,
The times we cried,
The times we fought,
The times we laughed.
For if you always think of me, I will never have gone.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Family of William Eugene Ayers wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, kindness, and support shown to us during this hour of bereavement. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your support and comfort. It is immensely appreciated!



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A CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF



William
EUGENE AYERS

SUNRISE **SUNSET**
SEPTEMBER 12, 1949 – JUNE 23, 2026

SATURDAY – JULY 11, 2026

VISITATION: 1:00 PM
MEMORIAL SERVICE: 2:00 PM

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THE CHAPEL OF PEACE EAST
2500 CLEVELAND AVENUE
COLUMBUS, OH 43211

OBITUARY

William Ayers passed away leaving a legacy of love, family, and cherished memories.

Born on September 12, 1949, in Columbus, Ohio, he was the son of George William Ayers and Jewell Meglene Evans. William was the proud second oldest of 11 children.

A man of many passions, William worked dedicatedly at JP's Barbecue for over 20 years. He was a deeply loving and caring person who found his greatest joy in family gatherings. Whether he was cooking up a meal, casting a fishing line, shooting pool, or playing a lively game of cards and Bid Whist, William knew how to bring people together.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Jewell Ayers; his brothers, Wesley, John, and Percy Ayers; his sisters, Wanda Lee Ayers Hazelwood, Wendy Kay Ayers McGowan, and Wilma Jamesetta Stallworth Butler; and his stepson, Markeiths Rhodes.

William's memory will be forever cherished by his long-life partner of over 20 years, Linda Rhodes; his Daughters: Teresa McClain, Eugena Torres, and Latonya Watson Moore (Kimberly Moore); and his Stepson: Levander Rhodes. He also leaves behind his Brothers: Walter E. Ayers, Weldon Donald Ayers, and Wendell Axle Ayers; his Sisters: Jewel Ayers and Mary Ayers; Brothers-in-Law: Tommy Bell and William Hazelwood along with a host of Grandchildren, Nieces, Nephews, extended family, and dear friends.

William will be forever missed by all who knew and loved him.

UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN

We think about you always,
We talk about you still,
You have never been forgotten,
and you never will.

We hold you close within our hearts,
and there you will remain,
to walk and guide us through our lives, until we meet again.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude.....Chapel of Peace Music Ministry

The Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Psalm 23

New Testament: John 14: 1-3

Prayer Of Comfort

Selection.....*"Wind Beneath My Wings"*
By: Gerald Levert

Acknowledgements/Condolences

Remarks.....Family and Friends

Reading of the Obituary.....Read Silently

Selection*"Take Me To The King"*
By: Tamela Mann

The Eulogy
Robert Ayers

Benediction.....Clergy

RecessionalClergy, Family and Friends

