



Elder Willard Albert Harris Sr.

March 24, 1941 - January 16, 2024

In Loving Memory Of

Willard Albert Harris was born March 24, 1941 to the late Otis Harris Sr. and Sadie Harris. He was the baby boy of nine children. Willard Harris is preceded in death by his siblings; Otis Harris Jr., John Harris, Richard Harris, Edith Harris-McKinney, George Harris, Betsy Harris, Bettye Harris-Fote, and daughter Patricia Harris-Lawhorne.

Willard was born and raised in Idlewild, Michigan. He attended Baldwin High School where he ran the 200 meter and graduated in 1959.

He later moved to Detroit, Michigan and became employed at Cunningham Warehouse where he met the love of his life Katherine Harris and was married on October 30, 1970. Soon after, Willard became employed at Ford Motor Company, Michigan Trucking Plant in Wayne Michigan where he worked for 28 years before retiring.

Willard and his wife Katherine were invited by Mother Darden (Katherine's Mother) to church at Greater Love Tabernacle Church of God In Christ, where the pastor was the late Bishop William Rimson. He served as the parking lot security for a few years before becoming a minister. He continued as a member at Greater Love until Bishop Rimson passed in 1988.

Willard and Katherine then became members of Free Reign Church Of God In Christ, under the leadership of Pastor Leon and First Lady Brenda Tarver. He became ordained Elder shortly after and remained faithful to the ministry until his health failed him.

Willard was good with his hands. He played Keyboard, Lead, and bass guitar. Willard was also able to fix anything. He was an electrician, a carpenter, mechanic, whatever needed to be fixed everybody called on him. There was nothing he could not do. He was the handyman.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens

17840 Middlebelt Road
Livonia, MI 48152

Previous Events

Visitation

Thursday, Jan. **25**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
(313) 838-9770
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Family Hour

Friday, Jan. **26**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
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Funeral Service

Friday, Jan. **26**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *tam lit a candle in memory of Willard Harris* ”



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