



Retired Staff Sergeant
**WILLIAM RAWLINSON
ADKINS**

February 3, 1934 - February 12, 2019

Funeral Services with Full Military Honors for Retired Staff Sergeant William Rawlinson Adkins, 85, will be held Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 10 am at A. A. Dicks Funeral Home Sullivan Chapel. Interment will follow in The Fort Jackson National Cemetery. Public viewing will be held on Monday, February 18, 2019 from noon until 6 pm at the funeral home. A. A. Dicks Funeral Home is in charge of these arrangements.

Retired Staff Sergeant Adkins, departed this earthly life on Tuesday February 12, 2019 at The William Jennings Bryan Dorn Veteran's Administration Medical Center in Columbia, South Carolina.

William Rawlinson Adkins was born February 3, 1934 in Columbia, South Carolina. He was the son of the late Benjamin and Rosa Marshall Adkins.

William received his education in the public Schools of Richland School District One. He was a graduate of Booker T. Washington High School Class of 1952 and played drums on The BTW band.

"Billy" as he was affectionately known to his family and friends and to his nieces and nephews as "Uncle Billy", was faithful to all his nieces and his nephew and other family and friends who will miss him dearly.

Retired Staff Sergeant Adkins was honorably discharge from The United States Air Force after 20 years of dedicated service. His retirement did not bring him recess from work. William worked as an Inventory Management

Specialist with The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Kansas City Missouri. He received many certificates and awards for his outstanding performance while serving with the 97th Supply Squadron. In April of 1968, he was selected NCO of the month. Adkins' service was outstanding while serving The B-52 Southeast Asia Operations.

He was preceded in death by his father, Benjamin Adkins; his mother, Rosa M. Adkins; sons, James A. Adkins and Darrell Adkins; sisters, Benzena Adkins Webber, Janie Adkins Snipe and Dorothy Adkins Graham and a brother, James A. Adkins.

He leaves to cherish precious memories: his wife, Dessie Boose Adkins of Kansas City, Missouri; a daughter, Jeannie Ruth Adkins of Osceola, Arkansas; loving and dedicated nieces, Marjorie B. Snipe, Jane A. Simmons, and Joan Bracey; nephews, Norman L. Caldwell and Benjamin E. Adkins all of Columbia, South Carolina; and Marshall A. Graham; and a host of other relatives and friends

Cemetery Details

Fort Jackson National Cemetery

4170 Percival Road
Columbia, SC 29229

Previous Events

Public Viewing

FEB **18**. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

A. A. Dicks Funeral Home Sullivan Chapel
6400 North Main Street
Columbia, SC 29203
(803) 254-4673

Funeral Service

FEB **19**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Wanda E Harris lit a candle in memory of
Retired Staff Sergeant WILLIAM
RAWLINSON ADKINS*



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