



Mr. Willie James Reed, Jr.

December 22, 1934 - June 21, 2022

Mr. Willie James Reed, Jr. was born on December 22, 1934 in Lugoff, South Carolina to the late Mr. Willie James Reed, Sr. and Mrs. Nora Lee Murphy Reed. He departed this earthly life to be with the Lord on Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at home with his family.

He was educated in the public schools of Lugoff, South Carolina. He met the love of his life, Doretha Nelson and were married February 4, 1957. They have been married for sixty-five years and are the parents of five children. Mr. and Mrs. Reed both worked at Columbia State Park Institute/CM Tucker Center. Mr. Reed worked as a Head Chef for over thirty-one years and retired on September 10, 1987. He enjoyed cooking and following retirement, he started The Reed Catering Service and catered for Zion Canaan Baptist Church, many other churches, various organizations, and families.

Mr. Willie James Redd, Jr. has been a long-time member of Zion Canaan Baptist Church in Columbia, South Carolina. He was recognized as the Oldest Male Member of Zion Canaan on October 10, 2021. Mr. Reed loved the Lord and always has a sweet spirit.

Mr. Reed was affectionately known as "Reed" or "Big Daddy". He never met a stranger. To those he met, there was always kind words and great advice about life and how to live. As a chef, he was always giving tips on how to

better prepare various meals. He was famous for his Turkey and Dressing recipes. His friends and family always called on him to prepare these items for special events. His joy was spending time with his family and friends.

Mr. Reed was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Benjamin Reed and Richard Reed, and a son, Floyd Reed.

He leaves to cherish precious memories his wife of sixty-five years, Mrs. Doretha Nelson Reed; sons, Benjamin Reed of Columbia, South Carolina and Leroy (Marianne) Reed of Seattle, Washington; two daughters, Debbie (Willie) Javis of Columbia, South Carolina and Christine Reed, of the home; one brother, Jake (Lucinda) Reed of Camden, South Carolina; six sisters, Isabelle (Boykin) Butler, Louise Anderson, Rebecca Robinson, Catherine (John) Thompson, Sallie Hayes, Mary (Raymond) Belton, all of Camden, South Carolina; sister-in-law, Bernice Nelson. of Camden, South Carolina; three grandsons, Tyron (Robin) Javis, Gregory (Ebony) Javis, and Leroy Reed, Jr.; four great grandchildren, William Javis, Tyron Javis, II, Imani Frierson, and Paris Javis and a host of nieces, nephews, other loving relatives and friends.

The Reed family acknowledges with grateful appreciation, all of your kind expressions of love and sympathy.

Funeral service will 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at Zion Canaan Baptist Church, 7820 Farrow Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29203. Reverend Bobby L. Smith, Pastor Emeritus, officiating. Interment to follow in the Memorial Gardens of Columbia.

Public viewing will be from 12 noon until 6:00 p.m., Monday, June 27, 2022 at A. A. Dicks Funeral Home Sullivan Chapel.

Please leave the Reed family your condolences and prayers.

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Cemetery Details

Columbia Memorial Gardens

9301 Wilson Boulevard
Columbia, SC

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUN 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

Zion Canaan Baptist Church
7820 Farrow Road
Columbia, SC 29203

To view the service, please click on the link below: <https://fb.watch/evPf-f92OH/>

Tribute Wall

CW

“ *Carol Wells lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie James Reed, Jr.*



Carol Wells - June 27, 2022 at 03:17 PM

TW

“ *To the Reed Family. Sorry for your loss. You have our Condolences from The Williams Family. Praying for you all..*



Tabitha Williams - June 27, 2022 at 12:09 PM

JF

“ *Prayers and condolences to the Reed family whom I've known a life time. May God provide you with comfort and strength during these sad times*

Joe Counts & Family - June 25, 2022 at 08:41 AM

JB

“ *James & Manida Benson purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mr. Willie James Reed, Jr..*



James & Manida Benson - June 24, 2022 at 09:28 PM

PF

“ We send this lighted candle in memory of your father. We lift the family up in prayer.



Peay Family - June 24, 2022 at 03:06 PM

JS

“ Prayers and condolences to the Reed family, Brady, Joyce, Robert and Jack Murphy. May God Bless. Your first cousins.

Joyce m sumpter - June 24, 2022 at 01:44 PM

DH

“ May this Yellow Candle symbolize our Family and our Friendship for many years. May God Bless and Keep the Reed, Harrell, and extended family throughout the transitioning of Willie Jr. Because We Care Deeply. Dorethea, James “Buddy”, Avonne, Delbert And Donna Harris .



Donna Rene'e Harris - June 24, 2022 at 01:38 AM

PL

“ Keeping the family lifted up in prayers condolences may your family be Blessed

Peggy M Lawrence - June 23, 2022 at 10:11 PM

EE

“ *Ernetta Edmunds lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie James Reed, Jr.*



Ernetta Edmunds - June 23, 2022 at 04:37 PM

NR

“ *To the Reed Family. Our Deepest Heart Felt Condolences goes out to the family. Remember Jesus said he will never leave you nor forsake you. Keep your mind on him and he will keep you in perfect peace. God Bless the Reed family.*

Elder Marvin and Nora Reid

Nora Reid - June 23, 2022 at 04:33 PM

SB

“ *Sarah Belton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie James Reed, Jr.*



Sarah Belton - June 23, 2022 at 09:57 AM

CB

“ *Mrs. Reed and family, please know you have my sincere condolences in the passing of Mr. Reed. Praying God's peace and comfort to bless you and take you through your time of sorrow. Our God is the the comforter of all comfort. Your servant in the Lord, Minister Cynthia Bookman*

Cynthia Bookman - June 22, 2022 at 09:55 AM