



William Blakely

July 24, 2024

Mr. William Blakely, Jr. affectionately known as Baldie, took the Master's hand, and followed him home, on Wednesday, July 24, 2024. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. (2 Corinthians 5:8)

William "Baldie" Blakely Jr. was born to the late Geraldine Blakely and the William Jackson on July 14, 1966, in Florence, SC. He attended the Timmonsville Schools and graduated from Timmonsville High School in 1985. As a young adult Baldie worked for Esab Textiles and later became an employee for the town of Timmonsville. He remained there until restricted by illness. Confessing his life at an early age, Baldie became a member of St. Mark Freewill Baptist Church in Lamar, SC.

Baldie was preceded in death by his two brothers, Curtis (Dick) Blakely, and Kenneth Tumblin; one brother-in-law Randy Johnson, one sister-in-law, Tena Boone. Two aunts Lynette Thomas and Geedell Dubose, two uncles Sylvester Blakely and Robert Tumblin, Jr.

Baldie leaves to cherish fond memories and his legacy to his devoted wife Sandra Blakely, one son, Devontae Blakely, four daughters Erica Blakely, Alicia Richardson of Fayetteville, NC, Lawanda Blakely, and Wilhemina Blakely. Two sisters, Willie Mae Blakely of Florence, SC, and Willet (Ronnie) Bines of Timmonsville, SC. Four brothers Rodney (Ranada) Means, Bernard

Dubose of Oklahoma, William Jackson, and Samuel Jackson, two special cousins, Jessica (Brandon) Walker and Tywan (Teasha) Damon. Two special aunts, Sylvia (Robert) Tumblin, Gloria Jean Sumter. One brother-in-law, Herbert (Cassandra) Singletary, one sister-in-law, Wendy Curry; a best friend Curtis "Buddy" Shepherd of Florida, 16 grandchildren, a host of nieces and nephews and other family members and friends that loved him dearly.

Cemetery Details

Sansbury Cemetery

757 E Main St
Timmonsville, SC 29161

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUL 30. 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Zion United Methodist Church
317 N. Brockington Street
Timmonsville, SC 29161

Tribute Wall

WD

“ *Willie M Damon sent a virtual gift in memory of William Blakely*



Willie M Damon - July 29, 2024 at 11:21 PM

WD

“ *RODNEY WE ARE SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOST WE LOVE YOU. YOU ARE A PART OF OUR FAMILY .the Damon Family*

Willie M Damon - July 29, 2024 at 11:13 PM

GG

“ *GARY Goodson lit a candle in memory of William Blakely*



GARY goodson - July 29, 2024 at 06:38 AM

SB

“ *Silas Barr lit a candle in memory of William Blakely*



Silas Barr - July 29, 2024 at 06:36 AM

DR

“ *Debra Rouse lit a candle in memory of William Blakely*



Debra Rouse - July 27, 2024 at 07:50 PM

JM

“ *Janice Mccray lit a candle in memory of William Blakely*



Janice Mccray - July 27, 2024 at 06:41 PM

AD

“ *Amy Nero Durant lit a candle in memory of William Blakely*



Amy Nero Durant - July 26, 2024 at 11:03 PM

EB

“Dad I love you so much. I wish I could of took the time out to make sure you had regular doctor checkups when nobody was by your side. All the times you came to Fayetteville to spend time with me and your grandkids as much as you could. Even when the times were hard, you stood by our side and we made a way. All the time you rode with me to Washington DC to prevent anything happening to me and your granddaughter. I'm gonna miss you so much and I'm so glad, I forgave you for not being a part of my childhood and took the time to find you myself and get that mother father bonding love. You are my mom's first love and last. Regardless a marriage don't make you in love just some paperwork to bind you in a way. I know where your real love laid in your heart. I'm so happy you created me and I am your 1st eldest daughter. So glad you gave me your last name and I'm gonna wear that on my heart forever. I love you so much and for you I will try to stay calm during the funeral because people that you claim to love really did me dirty at your last breath and I will never respect or forgive sandra again.



Erica blakely - July 26, 2024 at 09:18 PM

SH

“My condolences to the family of William Blakely. Baldy you will be missed walking down Brockington St. Take your Rest Sir.



Sonjia Hampton - July 26, 2024 at 07:42 PM

WD

“ You will be truly missed by family and friends. I enjoyed you when I saw you but as you know my military commitment kept me traveling all over the world. I always acknowledged you as my brother and I always thought about you. Love you always. Your brother William Bernard DuBose

William Bernard DuBose - July 26, 2024 at 02:22 PM

RG

“ Prayers for the Family and Friends... Rev. Yolanda Green-Lyde

Rev. Yolanda Green-Lyde - July 26, 2024 at 01:23 PM



“ Pamela Miller lit a candle in memory of William Blakely



Pamela Miller - July 26, 2024 at 09:10 AM

HJ

“ Henrietta Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of William Blakely



Henrietta Jones - July 25, 2024 at 11:10 PM

NB

“ Sending my condolences to his wife n children. Aunt Bobbie Gail, Willie-Mea n Willet and family- praying fGod’s peace, guidance, His love and comfort be with each and everyone at this time.

Boldie- you lived and enjoyed every measurement of God’s Grace and Mercy given unto you in your way. Thank Y🙏U for a remarkable journey along this amazing walk we shared in this life Im grateful to God to have graced me with you, you unexpected presence, to have shared a strong community together, be schoolmates, enjoyed a wonderful friendship and especially, grateful to encountered shared space as part of Timmonsville Whirlwind basketball teams...as the Lady’s Whirlwinds dazzled the crowd and had to stay quite when y’all lost 🙏👤♀ you will always will be my #1 basketball guard- I heard that 😊 “nawww, whuteVr- you know it was Buddy”..... well I see- still no convincing you🙏♀🏀 will forever joint us together in spirit. You been an incredible all around friend, thankful for alllllll the time you exemplified respect towards me and others, strong bonding you built, and our life long lasting friendship 🎉. Well, my dearest, dearest dearest special friend...that you won’t deny- I bid you farewell and pray your spirit be at Peace. Praying God’s UNDENIED INCOMPARABLE LOVE and EVERLASTING MERCY continue be bestowed, comfort, and keep your humble, kind, loving soul. Rest In Peace. In loving memories, Natalie Baker 🙏👤🙏

Natalie Baker - July 25, 2024 at 10:30 PM

LM

“ My condolences to the family.



Lena Mckithen - July 25, 2024 at 03:22 PM

EG

“ *Eddie Green sent a virtual gift in memory of William Blakely*



Eddie green - July 25, 2024 at 10:02 AM