



## Willie Lee Commander

November 8, 2024

Willie “Chen” Lee Commander was born March 1, 1958 in Lee County to Thomas Commander, Sr. and Dorothy Mae Edmond Commander. On Friday, November 8, 2024, he peacefully transitioned into eternal life at his home. “Dude” or “Chen” as he was affectionately known by family and friends was educated in the Public Schools of Darlington County and was a graduate of Spaulding High School Class of 1977. After graduation, Chen served four years in the US Army. After his duties in the Army, he then began to work for Tolson Farms for many years. After working for Tolson Farms, he worked in landscaping and lawn care services. Chen was full of laughter, a joy to be around. He loved hanging out with his nephews, nieces and friends. He was kindhearted and loving to everyone he met, and he had a heart of gold. In addition to his parents, Chen was preceded in death by three brothers, Thomas Commander, Jr., Frank Commander and Lee Matthews Commander; one sister Judy Commander Quillen; one brother-in-law, Leonard Quillen; one sister-in-law, Loretta Commander.

Willie leaves to cherish his precious memories: his daughter and caregiver of the home, Yvonne Shinita Commander (Brandon) Pearson; three daughters, My’Drekah, Brianna, and Skiyonna; His sisters, Elouise Commander of Oswego, South Carolina, Katherine (William) Peoples of Lamar, South Carolina, Martha Commander, Rosa (Mickey) Solomon of Lamar, South Carolina, Gladys (Lawrence) Williams of Richmond, Virginia, Min. Virginia (Willie) Fields of Lamar, South Carolina, Jeanette Fullard of Florence, South

Carolina, Janice Myers of Maysville, South Carolina; His brothers, Charles Commander and Lamont Williams, both of Lamar, South Carolina; One Aunt Hattie (Sylvester) McCray of Lynchburg, South Carolina; a special niece reared in the home Joyce Commander of Columbia, South Carolina; three sisters-in-law, Theola Commander of Darlington, South Carolina, Patsy Commander of Florence, South Carolina and Diane Commander of Lamar, South Carolina; a special nephew Nigel Quillen was also a caregiver; a childhood friend, Randy Jackson; a host of special nieces, nephews, cousins and friends; one He called his own Adonica Peterson and a close friend, Willie Bea Huggins.

# Cemetery Details

## **Florence National Cemetery**

803 E National Cemetery Rd.  
Florence, SC 29506

# Previous Events

## **Funeral Service**

NOV **16**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Church of the Living God  
4179 Alligator Road  
Florence, SC

# Tribute Wall

CL

“ Cynthia Lighty lit a candle in memory of Willie Lee Commander



Cynthia Lighty - November 15, 2024 at 06:08 PM

KS

“ Kathy Sumter lit a candle in memory of Willie Lee Commander



Kathy Sumter - November 14, 2024 at 09:04 PM

KS

Praying for the family...Chin will definitely be missed 🙏

Kathy Sumter - November 14, 2024 at 09:05 PM

CL

“ Cynthia Lighty lit a candle in memory of Willie Lee Commander



Cynthia Lighty - November 14, 2024 at 05:49 AM

DD

“ Doretha/ Timothy Dargan lit a candle in memory of Willie Lee Commander



Doretha/ Timothy Dargan - November 13, 2024 at 05:32 PM

DD

Keeping the family in prayer 🙏

Doretha/ Timothy Dargan - November 13, 2024 at 05:32 PM

CL

My dear friend thank you for entrusting me to be of help in your life. Prayer and sorrow to to the family

Cynthia Lighty - November 13, 2024 at 08:06 PM

JM

“ Praying for the family



jimmy mcdowell - November 12, 2024 at 02:40 PM

SB

“ May God bless and heal this family. Sending my condolences 🙏 to all.

Sharon Burks - November 12, 2024 at 12:19 AM

WM

“ *A friend I will always have in my heart forever  
REST peaceful now*



Willie maeDamon - November 11, 2024 at 08:47 PM

GF

“ *My condolences to the family* 🙏



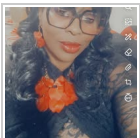
Gloria James and family. - November 10, 2024 at 11:37 PM

SH

“ *Sherrie lit a candle in memory of Willie Lee  
Commander*



Sherrie - November 10, 2024 at 10:27 PM



“ *Sorry for the lost  
Joel Simon and family*

Ann Simon - November 10, 2024 at 09:52 AM

HJ

*So sorry for your loss, will keep the family in my prayers.*

Helen Jordan - November 11, 2024 at 08:57 AM

SP

“ *You will be missed Unk! SIP your niece Rondi Boo*

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**Sharon Peoples** - November 10, 2024 at 07:43 AM

AM

“ *My condolences to the families*



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**Anthony Mckithen** - November 09, 2024 at 01:15 PM