

ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional
 Receiving Family and Friends 1:30 until 2:00 p.m.
 Call to Worship Apostle James L. Setzer
 Selection BJ Hope
 Scripture Readings
 The Old Testament Psalm 116:15
 The New Testament 2 Timothy 4:6-8

 Prayer of Comfort Rev. Ronnie Harbison
 Selection Ms. Tereak Adams

 Remarks Mr. Bruce Reid
 Quay Williford
 First Lady Alfredia McNeil

 Selection
 Eulogy Pastor Robert McNeil
 Recessional Selection

Committal/Interment
 Rose Hill Cemetery
 Gastonia, North Carolina

Floral Bearers
 Family and friends

Pall Bearers
 Xavier, Raheem, Freddy
 Tyon, James, Tyrone, Joe

Acknowledgement

The family of Charles Elmore would like to greatly acknowledge all who stopped by, called, texted, prayed, sent food, or just thought of us in our time of bereavement. Our hearts are affluence with the overflow of love, appreciation, and gratitude you have shown to us.

We would also like to thank Gregory Funeral Service for their excellent service and kindness.

OBITUARY

Charles Edward Elmore, 75, of Gastonia passed away on Friday, July 14, 2023, at his residence. He was born June 4, 1948, in Lincoln County to the late Charles Edward Elmore and Janie Sue Cline.

Charles worked at Avon P&M warehouse for over 30 years. He was a member of Bethlehem Christian Ministries where he loved his pastor, and his pastor loved him. Charles was often misunderstood because of his height and weight as being serious and intimidating. Those who knew him referred to him as funny, loving, caring and a big teddy bear by his daughter Daphanie, great niece, Davion more like the gift of gab.

In addition, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Elaine Marie Elmore and son, Charles Bernard Elmore of Newton and sister, Joanne Mayfield of Gastonia.

Those left to cherish his memories are his son: Thomas Elmore of Morganton NC; daughters: Daphanie Thompson (Joe) of Indianapolis, IN and Veronica Duncan (Tyrone) of Charlotte, NC; daughter-in-law: Yolanda Elmore of Newton, NC; stepsons: Marlon McCleave (Chastity) of Gastonia, NC and Clifton Williams (Nicole) of Clover, SC; two sisters: Lency and Nattie; two brothers: Thomas and Willie; twelve grandchildren; twenty-six great grandchildren; thirteen step grandchildren; and two great grandchildren, special nephews: Perry and David Mayfield, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives and friends.

A SILENT TEAR

Just close your eyes and you will see
 All the memories that you have of me
 Just sit and relax and you will find
 I'm really still there inside your mind
 Don't cry for me now I'm gone
 For I am in the land of song
 There is no pain, there is no fear
 So dry away that silent tear
 Don't think of me in the dark and cold
 For here I am, no longer old
 I'm in that place that's filled with love
 Known to you all, as up above.

-unknown author





FOREVER
IN OUR
Hearts

Our Journey

We laughed, we talked, we joked, we smiled, I cried, you comfort,
Our Journey.
Your many thank you and praises, my prayers, and welcomes,
our Journey.

Hospital visits, hospital stays, doctor's appointments, and radiation,
Our journey.

Visiting loved one's graves and placing flowers. Many trips to Walmart,
tons of trips to the pet stores, sometimes twice or three times in one day
as you smiled and waved at all the children and mothers as if you were in
a parade, Our Journey.

Playing cards, watching westerns, army, and scary movies while I hide my
eyes and asked you what was going on, our Journey.

Sleepless nights, heart aches, pain and eyes filled with tears, during
our Journey
Waking up wee hours of the morning, hovering over you to make sure
you're ok, your eyes open wide to say I'm ok baby I love you, our Journey

Administering meds, checking your blood sugar, preparing meals as you
told me exactly what you want and how to prepare it, whining like a big
baby as I check your blood sugar, our Journey

During our journey I learned so much about you. You were a 6 foot 6-inch
man Loved by all you came in contact with, and you never met a stranger.
You came with many names: Charles, Butch, Slim, Big Slim, and The Giant
Man just to name a few. You were funny, loving, caring, compassionate
Silly, competitive, especially when it came to us playing cards. It was one
of the most inspiring influential journeys I've ever experienced, I got to
learn how special of a person you were, our Journey

Although this physical journey has ended, you have won something even
greater. A spiritual Journey with God that is everlasting eternal life. A jour-
ney that I will someday join you on where I can continue to kiss you on
your forehead and tell you I love you, Our Never-Ending Journey.

By Daphanie Thompson

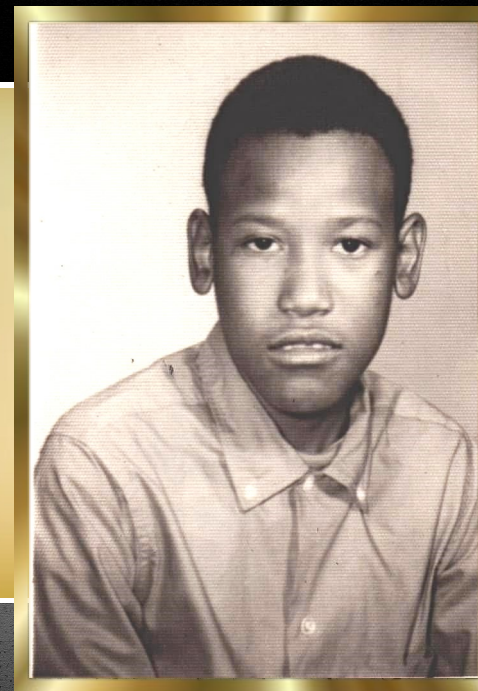
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A Celebration of Life for Mr. Charles Edward Elmore "Butch, Slim, Big Slim"

Sunrise
June 4, 1948

Sunset
July 14, 2023



Saturday, July 22, 2023
2:00 PM

Bethlehem Christian Ministries Church
1019 W. 10th Avenue
Gastonia, North Carolina

Rev. Robert McNeil, Pastor
Apostle James L. Setzer, Officiating