

## CHERISHED MEMORIES Forever In Our Hearts

Our family has been truly blessed by the abundance of prayers, expressions of love, and the thoughtfulness during this time of bereavement. Your kindness is deeply appreciated and will always be remembered.

A special thanks to Charles' sisters, Florence, Doris, Linda and Varnessa, family and friends for acting as his caregivers during his time of illness.

The family would also like to extend our gratitude to Tabernacle Baptist Church, Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church, St. James United Methodist Church, friends and neighbors for the outpouring of Christian love. May God bless each of you.

#### Repast

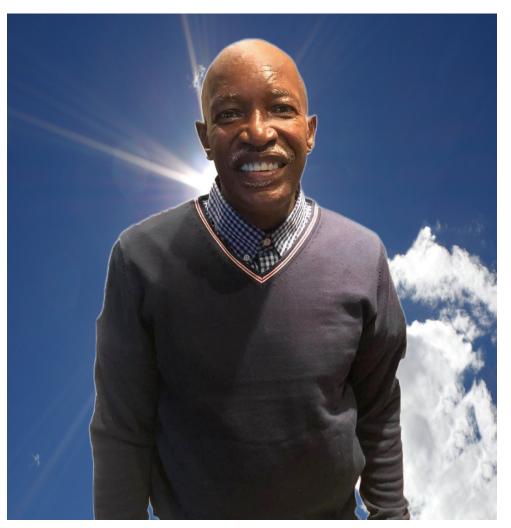
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### Arrangements Were Entrusted to:

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# A CELEBRATION OF LIFE OF CHARLES C. BYRD

OCTOBER 24, 1952 - NOVEMBER 13, 2023



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023 1:30 PM GREGORY FUNERAL SERVICE CHAPEL 601 NORTH YORK STREET GASTONIA, NORTH CAROLINA

## Life Story

Charles C. Byrd, son of the late Eddie Clint Byrd and Vestula Lowry Byrd was born on October 24, 1952 in York, South Carolina. Our beloved father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend transitioned from his earthly life to his everlasting life on Monday, November 13, 2023 at CaroMont Regional Medical Center, Gastonia, North Carolina surrounded by his children, sisters, family and friends.

Early on, he learned to convince his sisters to do his chores and to be his "partner in mischief". Charles loved his family, jazz, cars and dogs. He was the third youngest of 10 children.

Charles' hands were his talent, he was proficient in matters of landscaping, car repair, household tasks and construction. Charles attended schools in Clover and York, South Carolina. He obtained a certificate as an electrician's helper from Greenville Technical College, Greenville, South Carolina.

Charles was preceded in death by his parents, Eddie and Vestula Byrd, his brother Edward Byrd, and four sisters Barbara Byrd, Shirley Crawford, Sylvia Desmond-Smith and Omera Byrd.



With a fondness, love and cherished memories he leaves two strong and talented sons, Orlando Brooks of Mt. Holly, North Carolina and Jamal (Jasmine) Byrd of Vernon, Connecticut and his loving daughter, Franziska Linnen (Travis) of Hampton, Virginia.

Charles leaves behind four sisters, Florence, Doris, Varnessa Byrd and Linda Lowery of Gastonia, North Carolina. He has 12 grand-children, J'Dalyia, Jalen, Juwan, Jaren, Kayla, Janee, Marcus, Jason, Jaylia, Jadarian, Jashaun and Jaxon. He also leaves to mourn many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.







## Order of Service

Saturday, November 18, 2023 Viewing: 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm Service 1:30 pm

Evangelist Hermeta Watson Officiating



Processional Call to Worship Solo Tyler Jeffries – God Is

> Scripture Readings Old Testament Psalm 23

New Testament Revelation 21:4

Reading of Obituary Consuela McLean

Reading of Sympathy Cards Doris Byrd Charlette Crawford

> Selection Tyler Jeffries

Words of Comfort Evangelist Hermeta Watson

Benediction

Recessional Goin' Up Yonder