

~Order of Service~

Prelude

Processional Minister and Family

Receiving of Family & Friends 11:30am – 12:00pm

Call to Worship

Selection Springfield Memorial Baptist Choir

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Scripture

New Testament Scripture

Prayer of Comfort

Selection Springfield Memorial Baptist Choir

Remarks *(Please keep remarks to 3 minutes)*

Resolution

Family Reflections John Foster, Brother

Reading of Life Reflections Obituary (Silently)

Selection Ericka Ross, Niece

Eulogy Rev. Dr. Theodore Armstrong, Jr.

Floral Bearers Nieces and Family

I'm There Inside Your Heart

Right now I'm in a different place
And though we seem far apart
I'm closer than I ever was...
I'm there inside your heart

I'm with you when you grieve each day
And when the sun shines bright
I'm there to share the sunsets, too...
I'm with you every night

I'm with you when the times are good,
To share a laugh or two,
And if a tear should start to fall...
I'll still be there for you.

And when the day arrives
That we no longer are apart
I'll smile and hold you close to me...
Forever in my heart.

-Author Unknown



Acknowledgement

Your words have comforted us, your support has strengthened us, and your love has sustained us. We extend our most sincere gratitude for your kindness, generosity and thoughtful expressions of sympathy. We thank you for your prayers that continue to guide us.

-The Family of Walter Foster

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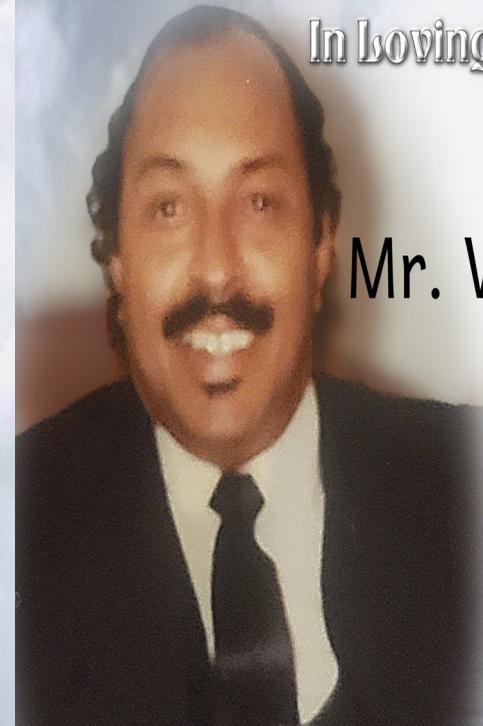
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In Loving Remembrance Of



Mr. Walter Foster

Sunrise
February 17, 1941

Sunset
March 28, 2025

We are standing on God's
Word... earth has no sorrow
that Heaven cannot heal.



Saturday, April 5, 2025
12:00 noon

Springfield Memorial Baptist Church

2920 Dallas Stanley Highway
Stanley, North Carolina

Rev. Dr. Theodore Armstrong, Senior Pastor, Officiating

Life Reflections

Walter Foster was born in Lincolnton, North Carolina on February 17, 1941, to the late William Pete Foster and Essie Hill Foster. He departed this life on March 28, 2025, at Caromont Regional Medical Center in Gastonia, North Carolina.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother William Foster, Jr., and sister Emma Lumford.

Walter graduated from Newbold High School in Lincolnton, North Carolina. After high school, Walter held roles in various places of employment including American & Efird, Duke Energy, Sears, and Sam's Club. He was known for his strong work ethic, which was second to none, as he often worked 6 days a week, even on his "part-time" jobs. Friends and family members often joked about the number of times he retired and in total, Walter's years of service was nearly 70 with all combined.

Walter married Barbara Alexander of Mount Holly, North Carolina in 1969 and was a loving husband for 56 years as of March 22, 2025. He was a great father and grandfather who set the example of a good man for his sons and grandson.

In his younger years, Walter was an avid tennis player and often participated in tournaments throughout Gaston County. He also enjoyed bowling and never turned down game of Spades or Bid Whist.

Affectionately known as "Super Fly", "Walt", and "Mr. Walt", he was highly thought of within the community as a sweet, friendly man who wore a big smile and was always willing to help others in need. He was a simple man who did not ask for much, with the exception of an occasional Godfather's Combination pizza or hamburger steak from Showmars.

Walter is survived by his devoted wife Barbara, three sons: Tony Smith (Lisa) of Lincolnton, NC, Walter D. Foster of Charlotte, NC, and Reggie Foster (Chandra) of Mount Holly, NC; three sisters: Bernice Ross (James) of Dallas, NC, Hattie Board (George) of Davidson, NC, and Bessie Bronson (Harold) of Oceanside, CA; four brothers: Leroy Foster (Mary) of Florence, SC, Marvin Foster (Rita) of San Diego, CA, Dennis Foster (Paola) of Frederick, Maryland and John Foster (Edna) of Midland, GA, as well as a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews, cousins and friends.



forever in our hearts