

Forever

*Gone yet not forgotten
Although we are apart,
Your spirit lives within me,
Forever in my heart.
No farewell words were spoken,
No time to say good-bye
You were gone before we knew it,
And only God knows why.
If love could have saved you,
You would have lived forever.*



Celebrating the Life of **GEORGE JOSEPH CRAWFORD**

AUGUST 29, 1954 – SEPTEMBER 26, 2025



Note of Thanks

With deep appreciation and gratitude, we wish to express our sincere thanks for all expressions of kindness shown during the loss of our loved one. It is through your love, prayers, and the Grace of God that we find strength and comfort. May God bless each and every one of you.

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**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 4, 2025
12:00 PM**

**FAITH FELLOWSHIP MINISTRIES
1226 West 2nd Avenue
Gastonia, North Carolina**

**Dr. Betty Crawford, Pastor
Reverend Kenneth Tate, Officiating**

—ORDER OF SERVICE—

**PROCESSIONAL
PRELUDE**

Receiving of Friends from
11:00 until 12:00 p.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP
Rev. Kenneth Tate

SONG

“What A Friend We Have in Jesus”

SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament
Minister Preston Tate

New Testament

Dr. Betty Crawford

PRAYER OF COMFORT

Rev. Brenda Harris

SOLO

Mr. Bill Crawford

REMARKS

(2 minutes, please)

SONG

WORDS OF COMFORT

Rev. Kenneth Tate

RECESSIONAL

“I Want to Take a Ride”

**FLORAL BEARERS
AND
PALL BEARERS**

Family and
Friends



GEORGE CRAWFORD

Mr. George Crawford, 71, of Salisbury, NC, was the son of the late Josephine Crawford and Curtis and Helen Tate. He was born August 29, 1954, in Gastonia, North Carolina. He departed this life on Friday, September 26, 2025, at the VA Hospital in Salisbury, North Carolina.

He attended schools in Gaston County and graduated from Hunter Huss High School. After graduation, he entered the United States Marine Corp for four years. He was employed at Pharr Yarn Mills and retired from working at the Veterans Administration Hospital as a cook. He loved his family and friends. He loved plants and was an avid Steelers football fan.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents: John and Dovie Crawford and Frank and Ethel Tate; one sister: Arlene Crawford and two brothers: Tommy Lee Lipscomb and William Friday.

He leaves to cherish his fond memories to his daughter: Sheneka Henderson of Charlotte, NC; three sons: Talango Surratt (Sondra) of Gastonia, NC, Mandel Surratt of Shelby, NC and Markees Henderson of Mt. Holly, NC; two sisters: Frances Godwin and Nina Tate both of Gastonia, NC; four brothers: Curtis Crawford (Prema), Chris Curry (Carla) of Kings Mountain, NC, Keith Tate of Burke County, NC, and Jermaine Glenn of Monroe, NC; three uncles: Sam Crawford, Bill Crawford (Dr. Betty), and Kenneth Tate (Lera); three aunts: Martha Smith, Ethel and Margaret Tate, ten grandchildren, one great grandchild; special friends: Connie Wiggins and Loal Archie of Salisbury, NC and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and many other friends.

