



I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following paths God has laid out for you to see.
I took his hand I heard him call
I turned my back and left it all

I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to sing, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I found my peace at the close of day.

If my parting left a void
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened deep with sorrow
I wish you sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full I've savored much
Good friends, good times a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts and peace to thee,
God wants me now; He set me free.



Acknowledgements

The family wishes to express their sincere appreciation for all acts of kindness, love, and support shown during this time of bereavement.
Your expressions of sympathy have meant so much

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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

Sunrise
June 29, 1972

Sunset
May 31, 2026



MR. RALPH WILSON, JR.

SATURDAY; JUNE 6, 2026 @ 5:00 P.M.

Gregory Funeral Service Chapel
601 N. York Street
Gastonia, North Carolina

Evangelist Tammy Monroe | Officiating
Jesus Is Love Holiness Church, Stanley, North Carolina

LIFE REFLECTIONS

Ralph Wilson Jr. was born on June 29, 1972, in Gaston County, North Carolina, to the late Ralph Wilson Sr. and Betty Wilson. He passed away peacefully on Sunday, May 31, 2026. He was preceded in death by an infant son, Christopher Desmarr Wallace.

He is survived by his brothers, Bobby Forney of Laurinburg, NC, and Curtis Artis of New York; and by his sisters, Diana Kee (Terry) of Clover, SC; Joyce Artis (Theo) of Gastonia; Topino Artis (Jerrydean) of Gastonia; and Louise Wilson of Lincolnton.

Ralph was the proud father of one son, Terrell White (Sierra Franklin), and one daughter, Paris Adams. He is also survived by four beautiful grandchildren, who brought him immense joy.

He also leaves behind a loving host of cousins, nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, aunts, uncles, extended family, and friends who loved him deeply and will forever cherish his memory.

He attended various schools and subsequently earned his GED. Ralph Wilson Jr. was employed as a forklift driver and in machine operations. Ralph Wilson Jr. was a joyful, loving, and unforgettable presence in the lives of all who knew him. His warm spirit, humor, and kindness touched countless hearts, and his memory will forever be cherished.

Ralph was known for his vibrant spirit. He enjoyed fishing, dancing, singing, and simply embracing life. His natural gift for humor earned him the title of the family clown, consistently bringing laughter and light wherever he went.

One of the most meaningful aspects of Ralph's journey was his decision to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as his personal Savior before his passing. This choice brought him peace, and his family finds comfort in knowing he made the most significant decision of his life.

Ralph will be remembered for his unwavering devotion to his family, his strong work ethic, his joyful personality, and his faith. His legacy lives on in the hearts of all who knew him, and he will be deeply missed.

His warm spirit, humor, and kindness touched countless hearts, and his memory will forever remain a blessing.

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Ms. Takena Davis

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament

New Testament

PRAYER OF COMFORT

SELECTION

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READING OF OBITUARY

Ms. Jacquelyn Davis

SELECTION

Elder Markus Thomas

REFLECTIONS

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Ms. Takena Davis

Elder Markus Thomas

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Jesus Is Love Choir

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