



TO MY

# Husband

Those special memories of you  
will always bring a smile  
If only I could have you back  
for just a little while

Then we could sit and talk again  
just like we used to do and listen to our song,

*"Make Me Yours"*

You were my world and  
I will miss you dearly,  
But you're forever in my heart  
until we meet again.

Your loving wife,  
"Sweetie"



INTERMENT  
Roselawn Garden of Memory Cemetery  
MLK Jr. Drive, Albany, Georgia

FLOWER ATTENDANTS  
Nieces and Cousins

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS  
Bernard Sibley  
Fred Carter  
Chancey Carter  
Nathaniel Wingfield  
Cory Crawford  
Bryce Snell  
Jaymie Snell  
Brandon Horsley

HONORARY PALLBEARERS:  
Dennis Sibley  
Robert Horsley  
Ravii Givens  
James Snell  
Jarrell Chester  
Joshua Harden  
James Bozeman  
Jim Solomon

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT  
*The Sibley family would like to extend our deepest gratitude the best church secretary EVER – his niece, Shirley Campbell Toson and our check-in partner, Mother Doris Young, who never missed a day calling. We also would like to say thank you his nurses, Freda Winbus, lovingly known to David as his "JEWEL," along with Shannon Peterson, Celeste Bailey, and Ella Harper. Your loving care, patience, and kindness made an immeasurable difference in David's journey, and you became more than caregivers, you became family forever.*

*We would also like to express our sincere appreciation to everyone for the love, prayers, and support shown to us during this time of loss. Every call, visit, card, and act of kindness has been a source of strength and comfort.*

*May the light of God continue to shine upon each of you.*

— The Sibley Family

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CELEBRATION  
OF A LIFE WELL LIVED FOR...



OVERSEER

# David Sibley, Jr.

SUNRISE  
July 11, 1926

SUNSET  
August 25, 2025

Saturday, August 30, 2025 | 11:00 AM

THE CHURCH OF THE LIVING GOD  
225 Talafax Road | Albany, Georgia 31701

Assistant Pastor - Elder Johnnie B. Sibley  
Pastor Joseph Howard, Presiding  
Minister Marcus Givens, Eulogist

# Reflections

## “COUNTING IT ALL JOY”

With hearts full of gratitude, we celebrate the extraordinary life of Overseer David Sibley, Sr. He fought a good fight, he finished his race, and on Monday, August 25, 2025, at the blessed age of 99, he transitioned peacefully and received his eternal reward. In his final moments, he was surrounded by love, resting beside his devoted wife, Virtha Tyler Sibley, whom he lovingly called his “Sweetie.” Their beautiful love story spanned more than 56 years and remains an enduring example of faith and dedication.

Affectionately known as “Buddy Boy,” “Uncle David,” and “King David,” Overseer Sibley was born on July 11, 1926, the youngest child of the late Apostle William “Bill” Sibley and Mother Cornelia Williams Sibley. Raised in a home filled with love and grounded in faith, David shared countless cherished memories with his late siblings: Marie Sibley (Jimmy Neal) Campbell, Sarah Sibley (Willie) Young, Mamie Sibley (Jim) Solomon, Thelma Sibley (George) Outley, and Sgt. James (Louise) Sibley, Sr. Among them, David shared an especially close bond with his brother James. Many of their fondest moments were spent together during family gatherings and fun-filled days at Blue Spring Plantations.

As David’s father, lovingly known as “Papa,” entered his latter years, David and his siblings took turns caring for him, a reflection of the strong family values Papa instilled in them. David continued his father’s legacy of hard work, unwavering faith, and a steadfast devotion to family throughout his entire life.

Answering his divine calling, David became the pastor of The Church of The Living God, the same congregation his father founded. He served faithfully as pastor and later as pastor emeritus from 1982 until his passing. To David, no job was ever too small when it came to fulfilling his calling as a servant of God.

During his tireless years of ministry, David poured his heart into the church he loved so dearly. A man of many talents, he

also served as a church musician, playing both the drums and guitar entirely self-taught through his passion.

Outside of his ministry, David built a dedicated career in the electrical field, beginning with Albany Electric Company and later retiring from CED Electric Company. His work ethic, integrity, and faith touched countless lives both inside and outside the church walls.

David was the OG of “Sunday Best.” He could wear a suit like no other, completing every look with his Stetson hats and Stacy Adams shoes. A man of style and grace, his presence was unforgettable. He often shared his favorite scripture, Isaiah 40:31:

“But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.”

He also found joy in his favorite song, “I’ve Got a Feeling (Everything’s Gonna Be Alright),” a testament to his unwavering faith and optimism.

Overseer David Sibley’s life is a reflection of faithful service, unshakable love for family, and a heart devoted to God. His legacy will continue to inspire generations to come and will forever remain in the hearts of all who were blessed to know him.

David was preceded in death by his children David Sibley, Jr., Mary Lois Sibley, Betty Jean Sibley, Nathaniel Horsley, Tony Crawford and Michael Crawford.

David is survived by his wife Virtha Tyler Sibley; his children Helen Sibley Carter, Dennis Morris Sibley, Robert (Gaynell) Horsley, Peggy (James) Bozeman, Lishe Crawford-Smith and Angeanette C. Snell; his grandchildren, great grandchildren, the best church secretary EVER – his niece Shirley Campbell Toson, his check-in partner-Mother Doris Young who never missed a day calling along with generations of family members whose lives he touched. To know David was to witness resilience, faith, and unwavering love for his church and his family. We are forever grateful for the example he set to serve others wholeheartedly. The family invites all who knew him to honor memory and carry forward his legacy of a spiritual warrior.

# Order of Service

Presiding Reverend Joseph Howard  
Turning Point Church, Albany, Georgia

Processional

Worship Through Song ..... The David Sibley Gospel Choir

Prayer of Comfort .....Pastor Carlos D. Coleman  
Newbirth Outreach Church | Columbus, Georgia

Scripture Reading:

Old Testament.....Assistant Pastor Johnnie B. Sibley

New Testament.....Minister Joann Young

Worship Through Song .....Yosida Daniel (Granddaughter)

Through A Granddaughter’s Eyes ..... Candace Crawford

Worship Through Song ..... The David Sibley Gospel Choir

Preached Word ..... Minister Marcus Givens (Grandson)

Acknowledgement ..... Angeanette C. Snell (Daughter)

Recessional

REPAST

Turning Point Church

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