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Celebrating
THE LIFE OF

Willie
JAMES ELMORE

December 9, 1961 — March 30, 2025

~ Celebration ~

Saturday, April 5, 2025 — 11 O'clock Ante Meridian

~ Held At ~

**Magdalene Christian Church
5875 River Road, Allendale, SC 29810**

~ Officiate ~

Pastor Cynthia Johnson, Eulogist

~ Order of Service ~

Musical Prelude Soft Music
Processional Clergy, Family, Friends
Opening Selection.....Makayla Spellman
Scripture Readings:
Old & New Testaments Rev. Ke'on Stephens
Prayer of Comfort Elder Anthony Graham
Remembering Our Beloved Willie James: (2 Minutes, Please)
As I Knew Him Collins Owens
Family Tribute(s) Cynthia Williams (Sister)
Jacquelyn Elmore (Daughter)
Acknowledgements M.F. Riley's Staff
Solo Anthony Fullington
Words of Comfort Pastor Cynthia Johnson
Final Farewell M.F. Riley's Staff
Benediction
Recessional
Postlude

Memorial Repository
Magdalene Christian Church Cemetery
Committal ~ Prayer ~ Benediction

A NOTE OF GRATITUDE

Words of thanks seem so inadequate for all the kindness that has been bestowed upon our family. We thank you for the encouraging visits, the comforting calls, the lovely cards, the beautiful floral arrangements, and the sincere words of solace. We are finding strength in knowing earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal. May God bless each of you richly for blessing us.

The Elmore Family

Dad

*We'll always remember
that special smile,
that caring heart,
that warm embrace
you always gave us.*

*You being there for us
through good and bad times,
no matter what.*

*We'll always remember you, Dad,
because there'll never be another one
to replace you in our hearts
and the love we will always have for you.*

*Humbly Submitted,
Jacquelyn and Desmond*

If You Could See Me Now

*My prayers have all been answered.
I finally arrived.*

*The healing that had been delayed
has now been realized.*

No one's in a hurry.

There's no schedule to keep.

*We're all enjoying Jesus,
just sitting at His feet.*

*If you could see me now,
I'm walking the streets of gold.*

*If you could see me now,
I'm standing strong and whole.*

*If you could see me now
you'd know I've seen him face to face.*

*If you could see me now,
you'd know the pain is eased.*

You wouldn't want me to ever leave this place,

If you could only see me now.

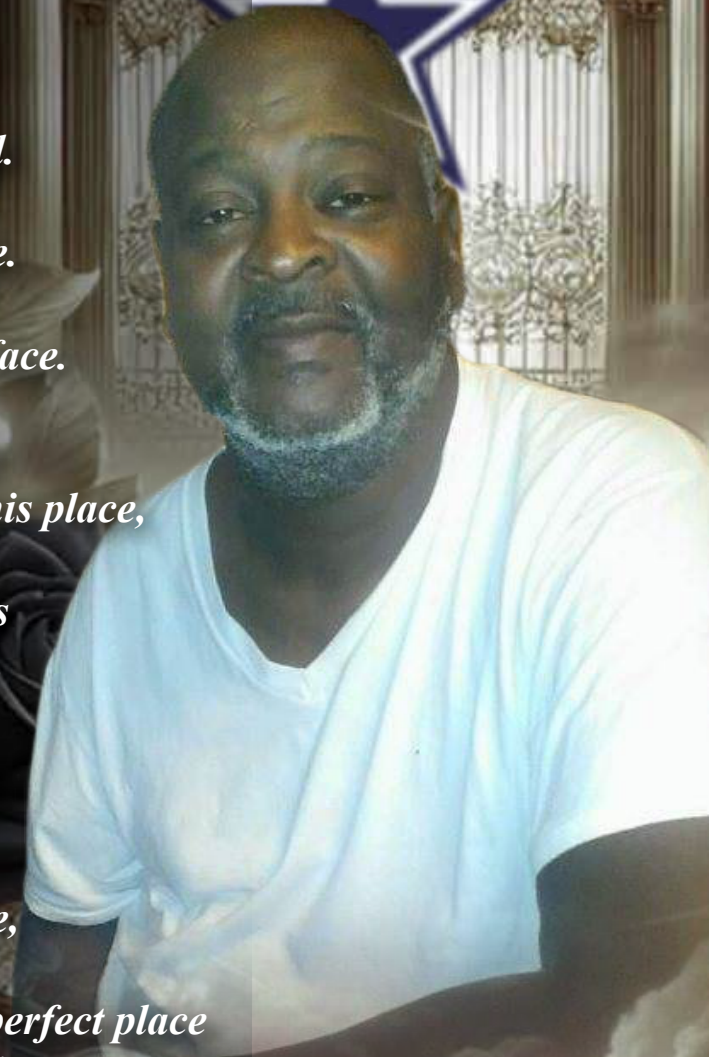
*My lights and temporary trails
have worked out for my good,
To know it brought him glory
when I misunderstood.*

*Though I've had my sorrows,
they can never compare.*

*What Jesus has in store for me,
no language can share.*

*You wouldn't want me to ever leave this perfect place
If you could only see me now!*

*I love you always and forever,
Willie James*



Willie's Journey of Life

"Let not your heart be troubled, ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions if it were not so I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And I go and prepare a place for you I will come again and receive you unto myself: there – where I am, there ye may be also."

John 14: 1 -3

Willie James Elmore son of the late James Elmore and the late Betty Sabb was born December 9, 1961 in Allendale County, South Carolina.

At an early age, he sought God's direction and joined Magdalene Christian Church.

Willie James as he was affectionately called, received his education in the public schools of Allendale County and was a graduate of the class of 1981. While in school Willie James was known for outstanding football skills.

After graduation, Willie James quickly grew into manhood and became a responsible adult working various jobs; to include: welding and truck driving. His unwavering work ethic helped him provide for his family.

He was joined in holy matrimony to the former Irine Hayward.

Willie James moved to his heavenly home on Sunday, March 30, 2025 at Memorial Health University Medical Center, Savannah, Georgia.

As he begins his new journey of life, he will be greeted with loved by his loving parents: James Elmore and Betty Sabb, (1) Daughter: Charmaine Elmore; loving grandmother: Mary Seabrooks; (1) Aunt: Annie Graham.

Willie James' memories will forever be cherished by his loving wife: Irine Hayward Elmore; Allendale, SC; (1) Daughter: Jacquelyn Elmore; Allendale, SC; (1) Son: Desmond Elmore; Gifford, SC; Reared as his own: Jerell (Tiffany) Hayward; Barnwell, SC; and Nartasha (Deondra) Hayward; Columbia, SC; Reared as a grandson: Jerell Harden; Allendale, SC; (4) Sisters: Cynthia (Sidnard) Williams, Ora Lee Cave, Audrey Drayton; all of Allendale, SC; and Lyanya Ammiel; Gambia, West Africa; (2) Aunts: Bernice Elmore; Buffalo, NY; and Shiann Mitchell; Fairfax, SC; (2) Uncles: Henry Mitchell; Fairfax, SC; and Lish (Pearl) Sabb; Devoted Cousins: Sheree (Doneke) Gray, Kendra (Meech) Jones, Rakeem Graham, and Joseph Roger "Jr"; Devoted Friends: Sidney Loadholt, Tommy Williams, Stan Robinson, and the Youmans family. A host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and sympathizing friends.

