

# God's Garden

God looked around His garden,  
And He found an empty place.  
He then looked down upon the Earth  
And saw your precious face.  
He put His arms around you  
And lifted you to rest.  
God's garden must be beautiful;  
He always takes the best.  
He knew that you were suffering;  
He knew you were in pain.  
He knew you would never, ever  
Get well on Earth again.  
So He closed your weary eyelids  
And whispered, "Peace be thine."  
Then He took you up to Heaven  
With hands so gentle and kind.  
It broke our hearts to lose you,  
But you did not go alone.  
Part of us went with you  
The day God welcomed you home.

## HONORARY PALLBEARERS

George Bennefield, Sr.  
Johnnie Benniefield  
Andre Wilson, Jr.

Charles King  
Harvey Washington  
Rupert Williams

## ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Joseph Benniefield  
Dominick Battle  
Walter Benniefield  
Donnie Benniefield

Sye Benniefield  
Lawrence Everett  
Todd Jacobs  
Alfonso Jacobs

## LAST EARTHLY HOME

Auburndale Memorial Park  
1889 W. Derby Avenue  
Auburndale, Florida 33829

## REPAST

Church of God the Bibleway Gymnasium  
3707 Avenue M NW  
Winter Haven, Florida 33881

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of Brother Frank Joseph Benniefield would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions. Your phone calls, visits, flowers, thoughts, and prayers have all helped greatly during our time of bereavement. May God continue to bless each of you is our prayer.

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ENTRUSTED TO



## CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF



ALPHA  
January 7, 1949

OMEGA  
March 30, 2026

Saturday, April 11, 2026  
11:00 AM

Church of God the Bibleway of the Apostolic Faith  
3707 Avenue M NW  
Winter Haven, Florida 33881

Apostle C.A. Cowart - Officiating  
Elder Tilex Altidor - Presiding

# Obituary

What a joyous time in the lives of Walter Benniefield and Dimple Lene Pitts, for it was on January 7, 1949, that *Frank Joseph Benniefield* was born into the world. After a brief time spent in New York, his family returned to Lakeland, Florida, where his life's journey would continue to unfold.

Frank dedicated over 25 years of service to the city of Lakeland, faithfully working until his retirement in 2008. Outside of his career, Frank had a deep passion for cars and motorcycles. Over the years, he built an impressive collection, including Cadillac DeVille's, Lincolns, Chevrolets, Buicks, and a wide variety of motorcycles.

Around town, Frank was known by many as the man who could fix anything. Always willing to lend a helping hand, he gave his best effort in everything he did, whether working on a car, cutting grass, or assisting with home repairs. He was simply "that guy" you could always count on.

In 2008, his life took a beautiful turn as he entered into matrimony with the lovely Lucille. Together, not only did they enjoy garage sales and flea market shopping side by side, but they also went to church together faithfully.

From 2011 to 2015, Frank served diligently at the Church of God the Bibleway in Plant City, Florida, under the leadership of his son-in-law, Overseer Andrew Johnson. He later transitioned to the Headquarters Church of God the Bibleway in Winter Haven, Florida, where he continued to serve faithfully under the leadership of Apostle C.A. Cowart. Wherever he was needed, Frank was willing to step in and give his all—never seeking recognition, but simply wanting to help and ensure the job was done.

His journey here on earth came to an unexpected close on Monday, March 30, 2026, following a sudden but brief illness. The life that Frank lived, the joy he brought, and the love he shared will forever remain in the hearts of all who knew and loved him.

Frank leaves to cherish his memory of a loving and devoted family: his wife, Lucille; and through this union of nearly 19 years, 18 children were brought together: daughters, Frankie Benniefield of Tampa, FL, Domonica Benniefield of Lakeland, FL, Veronica Benniefield of Ft. Meade, FL, Kim Benniefield, twins: Tammi and Terrelle Benniefield of Winter Haven, FL, Kaneesha Benniefield of Lakeland, FL, Nikosha Benniefield of Lakeland, FL, Pippi (Rufus) Byrd of Lakeland, FL, Lucille "Liz" McCrea of Tampa, FL, Cierra (Andrew) Johnson of Polk City, FL; sons, Walter (De'Era) Benniefield of Atlanta, GA, and Joseph Benniefield of Lakeland, FL, Todd Jacobs

of Atlanta, GA, Timothy Jacobs of Lakeland, FL, Andre (Tiquila) Wilson of Atlanta, GA, Quinton Wilson of Lakeland, and Alfonso Jacobs of Atlanta, GA; bonus children, Dominique and Nicole Battles of Lakeland, FL, and Constance Kelly. Along with this union of children, 59 grandchildren, and 20 great-grandchildren.

He is also survived by his siblings, George Benniefield, Sr., Linda Sue Benniefield, Johnnie Benniefield, Donnie Benniefield, Jill Benniefield, Sye (Monica) Benniefield, and Cassandra Benniefield; along with a host of nieces, nephews, and dear friends who will miss him dearly; brothers and sisters-in-law, Janie Howard, Dora Carter, Sidney Brundridge, Earl Smith, Joseph Martinez, David Martinez, and Diane Allen.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Walter Benniefield and Dimple Lene Pitts; two brothers, Lonnie Benniefield and Ray Pitts; one sister, Barbara Benniefield; and one son-in-law, Michael McCrea.



# Order of Service

- Processional..... Clergy and Family  
(Parting Glance)
- Invocation ..... Deacon Marcus Ford
- Old Testament ..... Deacon Charles King
- New Testament ..... Deacon Ronnie Jones
- Selection..... Choir
- Tribute ..... Children  
Siblings  
Deacons and Brothers
- Acknowledgement and Resolutions .....Funeral Home Staff  
and Church Clerk
- Selection..... Choir
- Deliverer of God's Word.....Apostle C.A. Cowart
- Recessional.....Funeral Home Staff

