

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.

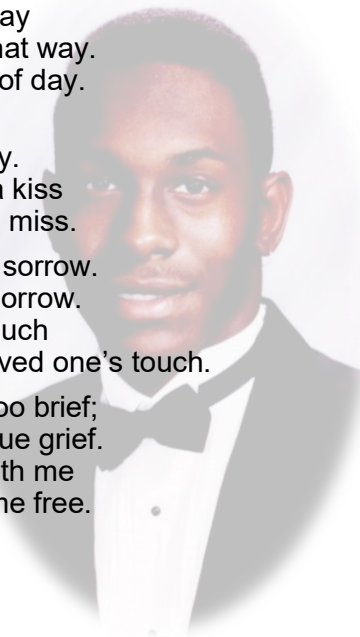
I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work or play
Tasks left undone must stay that way.
I found that place at the close of day.

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

Be not burdened with times of sorrow.
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I 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 heart and share with me
God wanted me now, He set me free.

Author unknown



A CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR MICHAEL ANTHONY ADDISON



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March 16, 1978

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February 23, 2026

Acknowledgement

The family of Michael Anthony Addison would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude for the many acts of love, kindness, and support shown to us during this difficult time.



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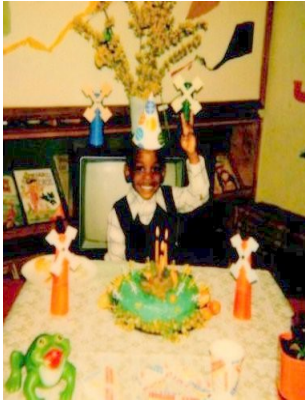
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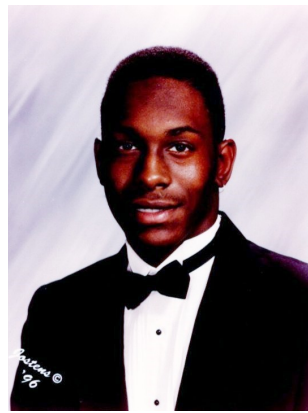
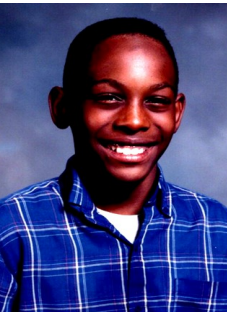
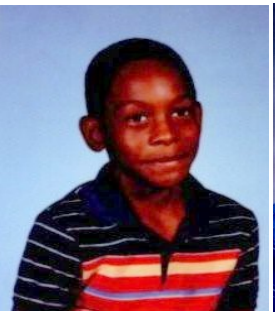
Saturday
March 7, 2026
11:30 AM

S. T. Enloe Memorial Chapel
231 North Lafayette Street
Shelby, North Carolina
Bishop Sharon Martin, Eulogist

LIFE'S JOURNEY



Loved



Autumn Rain

Do not stand at my grave and weep
I am not there, I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow,
I am the diamond glints upon the snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain,
I am the gentle autumn rain.
When you awaken in the morning's hush,
I am that swift uplifting rush
of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft star that shines at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry,
I am not there, I did not die.

HIS JOURNEY

Life's journey began for Michael Anthony Addison on March 16, 1978, in Cleveland County, NC. He is the son of Betty Lott and Dock Addison. On Monday, February 23, 2026, our loved one departed this life to be with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Michael received his education in Cleveland County Schools, graduating in 1996 from Burns Senior High School. He was a lover of sports and played in several areas all through school. In high school, he played point guard for the basketball team; ran track; wrestled on the wrestling team; and played free safety on the football team. He also lettered in high school for his accomplishments on the football field. His most memorable high school sport accomplishment was the day he helped his team win, the one and only to date, NC State football championship. He was also an avid fisherman and loved swimming. Needless to say; he was a Carolina Panthers fan as well.

He furthered his education at Cleveland Community College and Halifax Community College in Weldon, NC. It was there he received his Associate degree in Electric/Electronics Technology. Michael was employed as an Electrician, wiring commercial buildings around the state.

Michael was a kind hearted loving man and would give you the shirt off his back if he thought you needed it, but he was not afraid to speak out if he thought you were wrong. He was somewhat of a philosopher and loved a good debate.

Michael loved his mother dearly and would often call her when he went grocery shopping just to ask, "Do you need anything"? Every conversation would always end with "I love you Moma." To his mother, father, family and all who loved him, Michael will be forever loved and deeply missed until that day when we once again can stand face to face and say "I love you".

Michael was preceded in death by infant twin sisters, Renee and Lenay Addison; maternal grandparents, Essie and Jess Lott; paternal grandparents, Will and Marjorie Addison; and a brother in law, Anthony "Tony" Eugene Smith.

He leaves cherished and loving memories to his mother, Betty Lott of Shelby, NC; father, Dock Addison (Shonda); children, Josiah Markace Anthony Addison of GA, Aleah Addison and Shadae Hopper, both of Charlotte, NC, and Alexis Register of Winston-Salem, NC; grandchildren, Vasquez Deonta Roberson and Allison Addison; sisters, Dionne Addison Smith of Shelby, NC, Sharon Jackson Hunt (Madrick); brothers Brian Jackson and Scottie Hopper; nephews Donovan and Derrick Brooks; niece, Traviyana Jefferies; special niece, Courtney Brooks, whom he loved to debate with for hours on end; and a host of other relatives and friends.

LOVING MEMORIES

