

His Life Journey

Michael Anthony Wray, 70, was born on September 28, 1955 in Shelby, NC, to the late Beatrice Wray Bostic, who raised him with love, care, and strong family values.

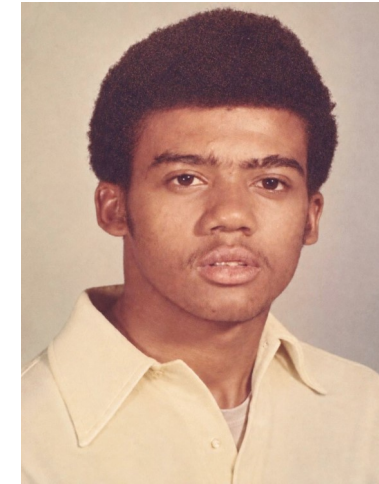
From a early age, he showed a bright spirit, a kind heart, and a wonderful ability to make people smile. His laughter, kindness, and joyful nature made him special to everyone who knew him. He graduated from Burns High School and attended Cleveland Technical College, taking vocational classes in auto body, where he formed many lasting friendships. With determination and hard work, he built a career at PPG for several years and at Lawndale First Baptist Church, where his dedication and compassion touched many lives. He was proud of his work and always gave his best to help others. He was a faithful member of Lawndale First Baptist Church and was employed there until his death.

Outside of work, Michael enjoyed dancing, loved music enjoyed lawn care, keeping his cars clean, and a cold Sundrop. He loved sharing his passions with family and friends. Most of all, Michael loved his family deeply. He was a devoted son/brother/spouse/father/friend who gave endless love and support to those around him.

He was preceded in death by his mother Beatrice Wray Bostic; stepfather, James Bostic; grandparents, Evans and Lular Wray; and grandson, Kaelin Lee. Though his passing leaves an empty space in our hearts, we find comfort in the beautiful memories he gave us.

He is survived by his loving wife, Shirley Lawrence Wray, his children, Natetsa Lawrence, Quincy Hush, Shameka Wray, and Michael Wray II; grandchildren, Jaiden and Justyn Porter; siblings, James Calvin (Ruby) Bostic, Sandra (Albert) Ford; uncle, LeRoy (Betty) Wray; and a special cousin, Ernestine Wray Cobb; as well as many loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends.

His spirit will live on through every story shared, every smile be inspired, and every act of kindness done in his memory. He will be forever loved and remembered.



Moments of Sharing

Processional
Receiving of Friends..... 10:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Order of Service

Rev. Chadrick Roseboro Sr., Officiating

Selection by Choir..... Lawndale First Baptist

Scripture Reading

Old Testament..... Rev. Dr. Hoffman Brown

New Testament..... Min. Shelia Wray

Prayer of Comfort..... Rev. Quinn Rodgers

Selection by Choir..... Lawndale First Baptist

Remarks (2 Minutes Please)

Ms. Norma Maddox

Mrs. Fredia Lawrence-King

Ms. Angela Renee Shuford

Bishop Allen Bryd

Mr. Michael Wray II

Selection by Choir..... Lawndale First Baptist

Words of Comfort Rev. Chadrick Roseboro, Sr.

Recessional..... Lawndale First Baptist Choir

Interment

Lawndale First Baptist Church Cemetery

Floral Bearers and Pall Bearers
Nieces and Nephews

Michael Wray: First & Last

“Hey Michael Wray!” first and last name people would say as they spoke in greeting to say hey to Michael Wray. First and last became a way; not only to address his name. “First and last” became the testimony his life proclaimed.

1 Corinthians 13:11 talks of a child thinking, understanding, then putting away childish things. But when the firstborn son of Beatrice put away childhood, so much he picked up, with all that manhood brings.

Matthew 25:40 cautions you’ve done to the Most High what you do to the least. So be mindful of how you judge and treat the one who cleans the church, just because he doesn’t hold the title of priest.

Born to die and dying to live.
Despite his own lack and hurt, he still would give.
A friend, a cousin.
A father, a husband.
A lover, a sufferer.
An endurer, a kindhearted overcomer.

The last shall be first and the first shall be last, says the scripture, Matthew 20:16. But from start to finish, from birth to death, we knew he was chosen by the grace and mercy bestowed over the life he lived in between. They say that cats have 9 lives, and with all the close calls he lived through, it’s a blessing that 3 score and 10+ he lived before his ninth life became due.

From darkness to light, from black to white, there’s all the shades and hues of gray. The pain and suffering, the joy and delight. From his first breath to his very last day, the life fully lived by Michael Wray.

Michael A. Wray II

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Life

AND

Legacy

OF

MICHAEL ANTHONY WRAY

SEPTEMBER 28, 1955 - JULY 24, 2026

SATURDAY,
AUGUST 8, 2026
11:00 AM

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NORTH CAROLINA

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