

# I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,  
I'm following path God laid for me.  
I took his hand I heard him call;  
I turned, and bid farewell to all.

I could not stay another day,  
To laugh, to love, to sing, to play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found my peace...at close of play.

And if my parting 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...deep with sorrow;  
I wish you sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full I've savoured much,  
Good friends, good times,  
A loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief;  
Don't lengthen it now with grief.  
Lift up your hearts and share with me,  
God wants me now...He set me free.

# Tribute

Hey dad... we know you won't see this, but  
there is so much we wanted to say and tell you  
still. Don't know what we will do but we will  
continue to work hard, make you proud and  
never forget we are Jenkins! So please rest well  
and know we will always love you.

- Josh and Jalen

## PALLBEARERS

Bryan Bostick  
Orlando D. Isom  
Michael Miller

Randy Bradford, Jr.  
Derek Jenkins  
Marcus Thomas

## FLOWER BEARERS

Litchfield Class of 1980  
Friends

## INTERMENT

Lincoln Hill Cemetery  
408 Miller Avenue  
Gadsden, Alabama 35903

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family of the late Mr. Wendell Stanford Jenkins  
acknowledges, with deep appreciation, the many acts of love  
that have been evidenced in thoughts and deeds, especially to  
those of you who complemented your deeds with prayers. May  
God bless each of you.

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Methodist Church.

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## CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR



# Wendell

## STANFORD JENKINS

SUNRISE

August 11, 1962

SUNSET

March 2, 2025

Friday, March 7, 2025  
12:30 PM

SWEET HOME UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
218 North 6th Street  
Gadsden, Alabama 35901

Reverend Michael Robertson, Eulogist



# OBITUARY

*Wendell Stanford Jenkins*, born August 11, 1962, passed away peacefully on March 2, 2025, at the age of 62. He was the beloved eldest son of Billy Stanford Jenkins and Charlie Jean Jenkins.

Above all, Wendell was a devoted father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, and friend. He is survived by his four sons, Kevin Stanford Jenkins (Michelle), Evan Stanford Lee Jenkins, Joshua Micah Jenkins, and Jalen Isaiah Jenkins, who were his greatest pride and joy. He also leaves behind his grandchildren, Breana Michelle Jones, Jayden Andrew Jones, Jamil Nique Clark, and Jordan Michelle Jenkins, as well as his great-grandchildren, Elijah Nasir Jones and Isaiah Nique Dorst. His brothers, Anthony Jerome Jenkins (Kimberly) and Phillip Jermaine Jenkins; beloved aunts and uncles, Gaynell Bradford, Adolph and Bobbie Jenkins, Donovan and Wanda Parker, Craig and Mackeshia Jenkins; special friend, Bernadette Bush; his cherished dog, Samson; along with a host of extended family and friends, will forever cherish his memory.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Michael Todd Jenkins; as well as his grandparents, Charlie and Sarah Sligh and Charlie and Bertha Jenkins; along with his step-grandmother, Betty Jenkins; and two aunts and three uncles.

Wendell was a proud graduate of Litchfield High School, Class of 1980, and went on to earn his Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from Alabama A&M University in 1984. His passion for learning and dedication to his profession left a lasting impact on those who knew him.

Wendell's warmth, wisdom, and unwavering dedication to his family will be deeply missed. His legacy of love and strength will live on in the hearts of those who knew him.

## PRECIOUS MEMORIES



# ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude Processional ..... Total Praise  
Old and New Testament ..... Bishop Steve Smith  
Prayer..... Pastor Rita Smith  
Song ..... Epiphany Cherry  
Acknowledgements..... Kimberly Jenkins  
Song ..... Epiphany Cherry  
Eulogy ..... Reverend Michael Robertson  
Family Comments ..... Jenkins Family  
Recessional

*Together Again*

