

## *Honorary Floral Bearers*

Karen Carney  
Cassandra Pillow  
Willete Reynolds

## *Floral Bearers*

Family  
and  
Friends

## *Honorary Casket Bearers*

Richard Johnson  
Johnny Sanford  
Fred Hamilton  
Chuck Sanford  
Joseh Walker

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Family  
and  
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## *An Expression Of Gratitude*

The family of **William (Bill) Reynolds** would like to thank the complete staff of the Intensive Care Unit at Williamson Medical Center, Chaplain Reverend Gregory Rumburg, and all who offered prayers, phone calls, food and words of comfort.

The Reynolds Family

On behalf of the Staff and Management of  
**Waters Funeral Home, Inc.,**  
we would like to extend our sympathy to the family  
and thank you for entrusting your precious loved one in our care.

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# *Celebration of Life for*



## *William "Bill" Henry Reynolds*

*"Coach Reynolds"*

*Born Into Time:*  
January 9, 1937

*Born Into Eternity:*  
October 19, 2025

*Saturday, October 25, 2025*  
**12 Noon**

**Limestone Missionary Baptist Church**  
1613 West Main Street  
Franklin, Tennessee 37064

**Pastor Timothy Gaines, Sr., Officiating / Eulogist**

# Life's Journey

**“There are times along life's journey that can test the spirit deeply.”**

Surrounded by family, William was called home on Sunday, October 19th, 2025 at the age of 88 at Williamson Medical Center in Franklin, Tennessee. He was born on January 9, 1937 to the late Reuben Sr. and Zelma (Roberts) Reynolds in Franklin, Tennessee. He accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as his Savior.

Forever cherishing his memory will be devoted wife Josephine Reynolds, daughters Ungrile Reynolds and Billie Jo Reynolds, faithful brother Thomas (Willette) Reynolds, brother-in-law Raymond Kinnard, nieces Carolyn Smith, Karen (Thomas) Carney, nephews Michael Smith and Thomas Reynolds, Jr., great niece Maleeka Anderson, great nephew Travis Smith, along with additional nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Bill graduated from Franklin Training School, the city's all black high school, in 1956. That year, as a captain and playing the full back position, his football team won the 1956 Middle Tennessee Athletic Association (MTAA) State Championship. This team defeated Carver-Smith High School (Columbia) to win the first championship in school history. After Franklin Training School, he earned his Bachelor of Science in Health & Physical Education from Tennessee A&I State University, now known as Tennessee State University in Nashville, Tennessee.

After graduating from college, he returned to Franklin Training School (then renamed Natchez High School) as a physical education teacher and head coach of the football and boys' and girls' basketball teams. In 1962, he returned to the MTAA State Championship Game, this time as head coach of the football team, to win the second championship in school history. The team championship win was followed up with being awarded the 1962 "Coach of the Year" by the Middle Tennessee Athletic Association. His boys' basketball teams made appearances in the regional and state championships. Bill is the only athletic coach from Natchez High and Franklin Training School to have also played in a state championship game.

He continued teaching and coaching at Natchez High School until its final year of existence in 1967, before integration with Franklin High School. Natchez High School's last graduating class from this year consists of several boys and girls student-athletes, who are now honored yearly during "Natchez Tribute Night." On this night during the high school basketball season, Franklin High and Centennial High rotate hosting a special program honoring this last special class of students.

Following integration, his teaching and coaching careers continued at Franklin High School. From 1968 to 1995, he (at different time periods) taught physical education, driver's education, and health. He was an assistant football coach for the varsity team, and spent one year as head coach of the freshman football team. After 32 years of teaching, he retired from the Williamson County Schools System. He considered teaching and coaching a privilege.

In 2006, Bill was inducted into Franklin High School's first Sports Hall of Fame class. In 2017, he was inducted into Franklin High School's Faculty and Staff Hall of Honor. The induction is "in honor of distinguished service and contributions to the legacy of Franklin High School." At that time, Bill was the only individual to be honored in both the school's Sports Hall of Fame and the Faculty and Staff Hall of Honor.

In the early 1980's, Bill founded and incorporated Reynolds Janitorial Services, a local company providing commercial and residential cleaning services. Operating the business would have been impossible without the help of many dependable residents.

Bill is preceded in death by his parents Reuben Sr. and Zelma, brothers Reuben, Jr., & 'Chunk', sisters Thelma Smith and Sarah (Reynolds) Whitaker.

# Order Of Service

Pastor Timothy Gaines, Sr., Officiating

Processional

Selection.....Kingdom Love Ministries Praise Team

Scripture.....(Old Testament).....Reverend J.J. Green  
(New Testament)

Prayer .....Deacon Johnny Sanford

Solo.....Sister Cassandra Pillow

Acknowledgements/  
Resolutions.....Sister Anthea Anderson

Solo.....Sister Maleeka Anderson

Words of Comfort.....Reverend J.J. Green  
Reverend Steven Heard

Reflections.....Deacon Jesse Dotson  
Brother Fred Hamilton  
Brother Melvin Scales

Solo.....Pastor Timothy Gaines, Sr.

Eulogy.....Pastor Timothy Gaines, Sr.

Closing Prayer

Recessional



## Service of Interment and Committal

Mt. Hope Cemetery  
Franklin, Tennessee