

– The Order of Service –

Processional Clergy and Family

Prayer of Comfort

Scripture Readings

Expressions Of Love Two Minutes Each Please

Musical Selection “I Am”
By Jason Nelson

Eulogy Elder David Heard

Recessional

– A Silent Tear –

Just close your eyes and you will see,
All the memories that you have of me.
Just sit and relax and you will find,
I’m really still there inside your mind.

Don’t cry for me now I’m gone,
For I am in the land of song.
There is no pain, there is no fear,
So dry away that silent tear.
Don’t think of me in the dark and cold,
For here I am, no longer old.
I’m in that place that’s filled with love,
Known to you all, as “up above”.

– Pallbearers –

Family and Friends

– Flower Attendants –

Family and Friends

– Interment –

Mt. Travelers Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery
1229 S. Dawson Avenue
Waverly, Alabama 36879

– Acknowledgment –

The family of the late Mr. Willie James “Nanny Man” Lockhart acknowledges with grateful appreciation all acts of kindness, prayers, cards, telephone calls, flowers, and words of comfort extended to us during our time of bereavement. May God bless each one of you.

IN MEMORIAM

May we take this opportunity to express sincere and deep appreciation for allowing us to serve you during this most difficult period. It is our constant aim to afford to the people of this community a service completed in all details and faultlessly executed with sympathy and understanding.



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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Willie James
**“NANNY MAN”
LOCKHART**

SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 2025 | 1:00 P.M.

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ELDER DAVID HEARD, OFFICIATING

- The Obituary -

Willie James Lockhart, affectionately known as “Nanny Man” by those who knew him best, passed away peacefully at his home in Opelika, Alabama, on Monday, March 3, 2025. Born on July 15, 1955, in Tallapoosa County, Alabama, Willie was the cherished son of the late Mr. Robert and Mrs. Ada Mae Harris Lockhart. His warm presence and jovial spirit will be deeply missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him.

Willie’s early life in Alabama set the stage for a lifetime of community involvement and personal passions. A proud graduate of Lafayette High School’s Class of 1973, he carried the lessons of his youth with him as he ventured into adulthood. At an early age, Willie’s faith led him to confess Christ and unite with Mt. Travelers Missionary Baptist Church in Waverly, Alabama.

Willie’s work ethic and dedication were evident to all who worked alongside him. His commitment to his faith and community was matched by his service to his country. Willie received an honorable discharge from the Army, where he honed his culinary skills that he would later share with friends and family. His love for cooking was just one of the many ways he expressed his love and care for those around him.

An avid fan of Alabama “Roll Tide” football, Willie’s enthusiasm for the game was infectious. He could often be found cheering on his favorite team, surrounded by friends and family, who shared in his passion. His love for classic television, particularly “The Andy Griffith Show” and “The Rifleman,” was well-known, and he could frequently be found reliving the adventures of his favorite characters.

Willie’s sense of humor was one of his most memorable traits. He loved to joke around, and his laughter was a gift that he generously shared, brightening the lives of those around him. His presence was a source of joy and comfort, and his absence will leave a void in the hearts of many.

Willie was preceded in death by: his beloved son, Willie James Lockhart, Jr.; three siblings, Eddie Charles Lockhart, Willie Andrew Lockhart, and Carrie Lockhart Carlisle.

He leaves to cherish his precious memory: wife, Lottie Barnett Lockhart of Opelika, AL; six children, Evangelist Aleisha Lockhart-Gossom of Atlanta, GA, Lawander Wright of Opelika, AL, Latasha Miller of Auburn, AL, Constance Lockhart (Michael) Blair of Opelika, AL, Tewanda Lockhart of Montgomery, AL and Michael (Marilyn) Barnett of Opelika, AL; nineteen grandchildren; twenty-two great grandchildren; two brothers, Robert Lockart, Jr. and Timothy (LaChandra) Lockhart both of Waverly, AL; two sisters-in-law, Cynthia (Larry) Gibson and Mary Barnett Williams both of Opelika, AL; two brothers-in-law, Ulysses (Frances) Barnett and Arthur Barnett both of Opelika, AL; three devoted friends, Charlie Kelly, John Stinson and Warren Motley all of Opelika, AL; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

