



WILLIE JAMES KEY "Bo"

SUNRISE
JANUARY 17, 1943

SUNSET
FEBRUARY 4, 2026

Saturday, February 14, 2026 ~ 1:00PM
Circle of Faith Ministries Community Church
1300 Sprinkle Drive | Jacksonville, Florida 32211
Bishop Frank Key, Officiating

PALLBEARERS

Jermaine Gillis
Marcus Lewis
Cleveland Gillis, Jr.
Orlando Smith
Thomas Mitchell, Jr.
Isiah Mitchell

FLOWER ATTENDANTS

Family and Friends

REPAST

11254 Fort Caroline Road
Jacksonville, Florida 32225

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family of the late Willie Key sincerely thanks each of you for your acts of kindness shown during our time of sorrow. We are deeply grateful for your heartfelt expressions of sympathy, your love, prayers, calls, and every gesture of support.

With heartfelt thanks,

The Family

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Church of the Living God, The Pillar & Ground of the Truth
Dr. Meharry Lewis, COS
Bishop M. Redding

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TREASURED ALWAYS

Your life was a blessing, your memory was a treasure,
You were loved beyond words and missed beyond measure.
You gave us your time, your heart, your laughter,
Moments we'll carry now and ever after.

You showed us strength wrapped in gentleness,
Joy in the simplest things.
And though today we grieved your absence,
We celebrate the life you lived.

HIS LIFE STORY

WILLIE JAMES KEY

Willie James Key was born on January 17, 1943, in Jacksonville, Florida, to the late Catherine Bartley Key and Willie Frank Key. He was raised in Jacksonville and received his education locally, attending Douglas Anderson High School.

At an early age, he joined Church of the Living God, The Pillar and Ground of the Truth, where he remained grounded in his faith throughout his life.

He was united in holy matrimony to the late Doris Key. Together they shared years of love and commitment until her passing. Their bond was built on devotion, partnership, and family.

Willie was a hardworking and dedicated self-employed construction worker. Through his skilled hands and strong work ethic, he provided for his family and contributed to his community. He took pride in his craftsmanship and was known for being dependable and determined.

He had a fun, loving, and outgoing personality. He loved sports and enjoyed watching games and talking about them with family and friends. His laughter, warmth, and vibrant spirit brought joy to those around him.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Catherine Bartley Key and Willie Frank Key; his beloved wife: Doris Key; his sister: Lillian Lewis and his brother: Leon Key.

He leaves to cherish his memory his loving daughters: Lisa Smith, Linda Smith, and Lauren Key; stepchildren: Cynthia Stroud, Brenda and Glenda Odoms, Richard and Robert Smith, and Kami Wallace; his cherished grandchildren: Cerita Smith, Cleveland Gillis, Jr., Jermaine Gillis, Sr., Charmayne Gillis, Jayla Smith, Marcus Lewis, Kevin Malbrough, and Kevon Malbrough and a host of great-grandchildren.

He is also survived by his siblings: Floyd Key (Curley), Mary Barber (Leroy), Mollie Key, Catherine Calvin (Charles), Stanley Key (Mary), Lonnie Key, John Key (Peggy), Hazel Mitchell (Thomas), and Bishop Frank Key (Audrey); and a devoted cousin, Preston Oliver along with a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Though he has departed from our sight, his legacy of love, strength, faith, and joyful spirit will forever remain in the hearts of those who knew and loved him.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Bishop Thomas Mitchell, Presiding

Processional/Viewing

Selection

Bishop Thomas Mitchell
First Coast Christian Ministries

Scriptures:

Old Testament

Elder Jeff Dixon
Church of the Living God, The Pillar & Ground of the Truth

New Testament

Jessica Smith
First Coast Christian Ministries

Invocation

Bishop M. Redding
Church of the Living God, The Pillar & Ground of the Truth

Solo

Miquelle Jackson

Reflections

Jayla Smith
Lauren Key
Preston Oliver

Acknowledgements

Audrey Key

Resolutions

Sister Dixon
Church of the Living God, The Pillar & Ground of the Truth

Selection

"Sending Up My Timber"
Frank Key and Catherine Calvin

Eulogy

Bishop Frank Key

Recessional