



Bobby Ree Williams

April 10, 1944 - July 21, 2023

Bobby Ree Williams was born April 10, 1944, in Starkville, Mississippi, to the late Booker Thomas Williams and Nellie Williams. He confessed Christ as the head of his life at an early age and immediately began his tenure as a Josey Creek MB Church member, where he faithfully served as a deacon and trustee until his health failed.

Bobby met the love of his life Helen Slaughter at a basketball game in Starkville, and after a courtship, the two were united in matrimony. From this union, three children were born--Dawn, Bobby Ray, and Candace. On July 21, 2023, after multiple illnesses, including dementia, God saw fit to call our loving father, grandfather, brother, and friend, Brother Bobby, from his earthly home to his heavenly home.

Bobby graduated from Oktibbeha County Training School in 1963, where he enjoyed playing football and running track. He graduated from Mississippi Institute (Rust College), where he received his bachelor's degree in education. He began his teaching career at Maben High School and spent most of his professional career as an elementary teacher with the Starkville Public School System. The 40-plus years he served in education speak to how dedicated he was to the profession and how passionately he wanted to make a difference in the lives of his students. Never one to sit still for more than ten minutes, for many years, Bobby also worked with Starkville Parks and Recreation as an umpire, worked the S.A.Y. basketball games, and drove a bus route for the Starkville School District. Let the record reflect that if his own children were

not at the bus stop at the appropriate pick-up time, it fell on Helen to ensure Bobby picked them up in Yates Subdivision. Bobby Ree played zero, zilch, in other words, no games regarding keeping his bus on schedule!

Bobby enjoyed coaching and playing for Josey Creek's softball teams, playing golf, watching football, sitting outside, talking to friends and family, and making people laugh. He loved his village, and his village loved him.

Bobby was preceded in death by his parents, Booker T. Williams and Nellie (Cummings) Williams; his loving wife, Helen S. Williams; one brother, Teasley Williams; and two sisters, Yvonne Williams and Deloise Burdine.

Cemetery Details

JOSEY CREEK MB CHURCH CEMETERY

1290 John High Road and Hickory Ridge
Road
Starkville, MS 39759

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 28. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Hairston and Hairston Funeral Home Chapel - Starkville
112 Earnest H. Jones Jr. Dr.
Starkville, MS 39759

Church Service

JUL 29. 1:00 PM (CT)

JOSEY CREEK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
4821 MS-182 W.
P.O. BOX 335, ZIP 39760
STARKVILLE, MS 39759
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*Rev. Timothy Daniels, officiating Active pallbearers: Ben Rush Olen Rush Billy Nicks James Turner LT Williams
Kennie Randle Honorary Pallbearers: Bennie Harriston, Sr Robert Robinson Josey Creek Deacons Active
flower bearer: Zandra Garner Demetria Bell Mary Barrentine Reloyce Rush Honorary Flower Bearers: Josey
Creek Deaconess Starkville School District Educ*

Tribute Wall

EM

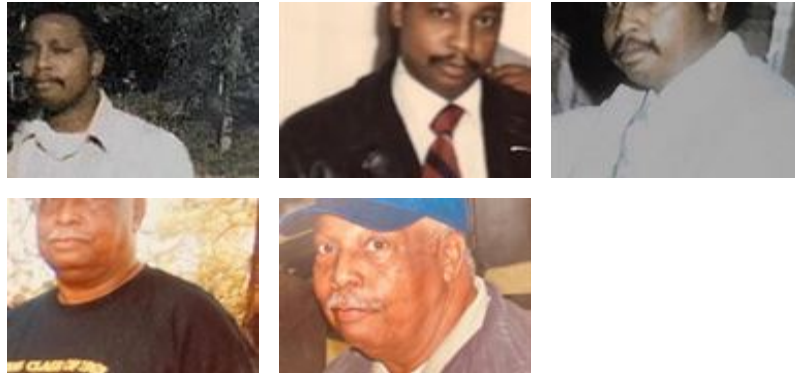
“ *Elder Charles L. Mobley & Juanita Mobley sent a virtual gift in memory of Bobby Ree Williams*



Elder Charles L. Mobley & Juanita Mobley - July 28, 2023 at 12:07 PM



“ *9 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Hairston & Hairston Funeral Homes - July 28, 2023 at 01:36 AM

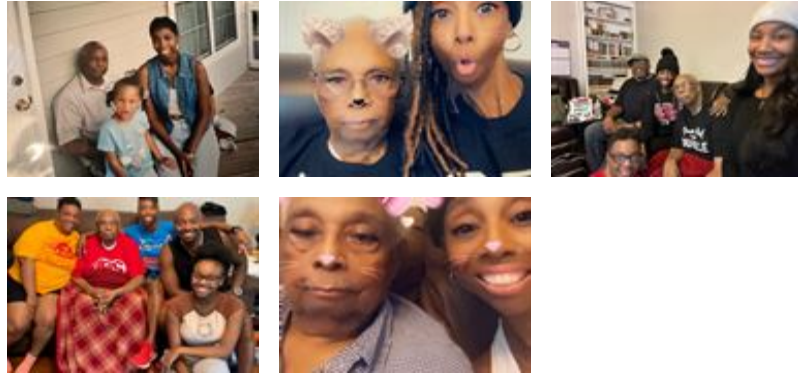
PR

“ *Very sorry for your loss. Condolences to the family.*

Peggy Rogers - July 27, 2023 at 11:03 PM



“ 39 files added to the album LifeTributes



Hairston & Hairston Funeral Homes - July 27, 2023 at 02:33 PM



“ I remember Mr. Williams he was my 3rd grade teacher at Emerson before they changed it. He was a great teacher and a nice person.



Stephanie (Gray) McMorris - July 27, 2023 at 01:52 PM



“ Walter And Lois O'Neal lit a candle in memory of Bobby Ree Williams



Walter and Lois O'Neal - July 27, 2023 at 08:58 AM

DJ

“ *DORA JACKSON lit a candle in memory of Bobby Ree Williams*



DORA JACKSON - July 26, 2023 at 02:31 PM

BA

“ *BARBARA sent a virtual gift in memory of Bobby Ree Williams*



BARBARA - July 26, 2023 at 12:43 PM

LN

“ *Lance Nichols lit a candle in memory of Bobby Ree Williams*



Lance Nichols - July 26, 2023 at 09:45 AM

AH

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Ann Bishop- Harrison - July 26, 2023 at 04:05 AM

JA

“ *Jenette Ashford-Peters lit a candle in memory of Bobby Ree Williams*



Jenette Ashford-Peters - July 25, 2023 at 12:32 PM

RM

“ *Rodney & Towanda Miles lit a candle in memory of Bobby Ree Williams*



Rodney & Towanda Miles - July 25, 2023 at 10:35 AM

BP

“ *Bobby Poe lit a candle in memory of Bobby Ree Williams*



Bobby Poe - July 25, 2023 at 09:12 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bobby Ree Williams.*



July 25, 2023 at 08:52 AM

BR

“ Bobby and Carolyn Robinson



Bobby and Carolyn Robinson - July 25, 2023 at 12:01 AM

AF

“ Annette Frazier lit a candle in memory of Bobby Ree Williams



Annette Frazier - July 24, 2023 at 03:43 PM

CR

“ Cynthia Robinson sent a virtual gift in memory of Bobby Ree Williams



Cynthia Robinson - July 24, 2023 at 02:42 PM

CW

“ Our prayers, thoughts and condolences are with your family today. May God strengthen, comfort and give you peace on today and days to come.



Charles & Frances Wilson - July 24, 2023 at 02:35 PM