



Mr. Claude Arnold (Brother Man) Williams

August 13, 1930 - October 18, 2017

Claude Arnold Williams (Brother Man) was born August 13, 1930 in Austin, Texas to Arnold and Novella Williams. He was the second of five children. He was devoted to his parents and relished the time he spent with his family.

He was a lifelong resident of East Austin, attending Rosewood Elementary, Kealing Jr. High and graduating from the original L.C. Anderson High School on Pennsylvania Avenue where he played on the football team.

He was brought up in a Christian home with strong family support and encouragement. He accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized at David Chapel Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor E.G. Gibbs. He later joined Mt. Olive Baptist Church under Pastor H.A. Sneed. He was a member of the Mt. Olive Choir where he led a song title "Jesus in Mine". He also sang in the Male Chorus. In his later years while at the rehab center, he enjoyed singing when the volunteers came to provide church service on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Some of his favorite hymns were "Amazing Grace" and "Near the Cross," he loved to sing God's praises. He loved Pastor Carter and his church family.

Claude married Vera Smith, and together, they raise three children, Byron, Carey and Claudia (Neicy). He was very proud of their accomplishments.

Claude's family instilled in him a strong work ethic. He was a hard worker and a good provider for his family. He instilled that same work ethic with his children. He worked for over 31 years at FrosTex Foods before retiring. He also had his own trucking business.

He went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, October 18, 2017. "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith," II Timothy 4:7

He was preceded in death by his parents, Arnold and Novella Williams; and sister, Lourice Johnson. Those left to cherish his memory; his wife, Vera Williams; three children, Claudia Williams (Neicy), Byron and Carey January; six grandchildren, Byron Reed, Chevale Ross, Jennell Bunton, Donnell January, and their mother, Bobbie January, Carey and Cheryl Johnson; eight grandchildren and four great- great grandchildren; sisters, Corine Harris and Jewel (Wilson) Andrews of Austin, brother, Odis (Marjorie) Williams of Houston, TX; two special first cousins, Earman Sneed of Austin and Patricia Costello of Rio Vista, CA; four nieces, Janice Burlison, Angela McCurry, Julie Rucker and Stephanie Williams; two nephews, Odis Williams Jr. and James Johnson; god-daughters, Melanie Ketebu, Mae F. James and Bertha Redd; other family and friends.

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Cemetery

3304 E12th & Airport Blvd
Austin, TX 78721

Previous Events

Public Visitation

OCT **25**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

King-Tears Mortuary, Inc.
1300 East 12th Street
Austin, TX 78702

Celebration Service

OCT **26**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Mount Olive Baptist Church
1800 East 11th Street
Austin, TX 78702

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Claude Arnold (Brother Man) Williams*

October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM



“ <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=oot2wcNiGlc>

Linda Mayo - November 14, 2017 at 01:25 PM



“ *Andrea Price lit a candle in memory of Mr. Claude Arnold (Brother Man) Williams*



Andrea Price - October 27, 2017 at 11:51 AM



“ *Charlotte Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Claude Arnold (Brother Man) Williams*



Charlotte Anderson - October 24, 2017 at 11:27 PM



My condolences to the Williams family.

Charlotte Anderson - October 24, 2017 at 11:28 PM

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“ *My condolences to the Williams family on your lost and may GOD continue to Bless the family during your time of healing..Carey January spoke so highly of Mr.Williams always. GOD Bless.*



Velma Harrison - October 24, 2017 at 04:56 PM

MN

“ *MARY NWEKE lit a candle in memory of Mr. Claude Arnold (Brother Man) Williams*



MARY NWEKE - October 24, 2017 at 03:07 PM

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*Mr. Claude, just saying his name makes me smile. I enjoyed spending time with him when visiting my Mom at the nursing home. He had a joyful spirit, loved his Claudia (The Boss), food and music. He spoke often of his church and would break into songs without hesitation.
What a joy.
May the peace of Christ be with Mr. Claude and his earth bound family.
Sincerely,
Mary Nweke*

MARY NWEKE - October 24, 2017 at 03:15 PM