



## Willie Franklin Walton

October 10, 1954 - November 2, 2019

Willie Walton, the son of Maresia Rivers, was born on October 10, 1954, in Lufkin, Texas.

Willie Walton attended Austin ISD public schools, graduating from Johnston High School. After completion of high school he joined the National Guard Branch of the Army. Willie worked as Head Custodian for the City of Austin at North East Clinic. After 7 years of service with the City he pursued his passion of self-employment as an auto mechanic and carpentry work.

After a brief illness, which he handled with strength, dignity, and a few choice words, he quietly slept in the arms of his blessed Savior. He was preceded in death by his wife Annie Marie Walton, his mother Maresia Rivers, stepfather Henry Bennett, two brothers Clay Rivers, Tommie Rivers, two aunts Julily Edwards, Mae Rivers, two uncles I.V. Rivers, Clay Rivers Sr., his son Willie Crawford, and his grandson Marquese Walton.

Willie leaves to cherish his memories: his daughters Brittney Walton and Amaurys Linares, Tenisha Hutchinson and Johnny Houston, Andrea Clark, Latara Clark, Tianna and Terrance Clark, his cherished long time friend Elizabeth Clark, his brothers James Rivers, his honorary God-brother and sister Luis and Linda Davis, his cousins more like brothers Lester and Clay Rivers Jr., his cousin more like a sister Gail Williams, his cousin/niece Darla Rivers and her four sons, his grandson more like a son Xavion Walton, his loving granddaughter Jazunique Clark, caring grandson Cade Crawford, Janaria and Jontavious Houston, Tony and TeAundra Gibson, Bobbie and

Trey Griffin, Andrea Clark, Isaiah Martinez, Dascious Clark, Alvin Harper, Artasia Clark, Tinaya Clark, VaNysha Maxwell, Darius and Raven Johnson, his honorary niece and nephew Shanay and Brandon Davis, and great nieces Kiana, Daejha and Saraih Taylor, and a host of family and friends.

# Cemetery Details

**Private Burial**

## Previous Events

### Public Visitation

NOV 8. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Emmanuel Bible Church  
1114 Northwestern Avenue  
Austin, TX 78702

### Celebration Service

NOV 9. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Willie Franklin Walton*

October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM



“ *6 files added to the album Memories Album*

**Date of Birth:** October 08, 1954      **Date of Death:** November 7, 2019  
**Saturday, November 9, 2019**

**Solo:** Johnny and Carolyn French  
**Prayer Dancer:** Andrea Clark  
**Family and Friend Remarks:** Limit 2 minutes, please  
**Special Remarks:** Minister Melvin Clark Sr., Mt. Zion Baptist Church

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Be not burdened with times of sorrow  
 I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow  
 My life's been full, I've savored much,  
 Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.  
 Perhaps my time seem all too brief  
 Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
 Lift up your heart, and share with me...  
 God wanted me now,  
 He set me free.

**A Life Celebration by Franklin - October 05, 2020 at 02:42 PM**



“ *Tianna Clark lit a candle in memory of Willie Franklin Walton*



**Tianna Clark - November 07, 2019 at 01:49 AM**

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“ Poppa Willie I'm going to miss you so much! You never told a soul to my mama with the things we did. (Thank you, but turned out good.) When I called you never turned me away. Every used things I had you fixed them. Car broken down, car fixed and still driving it. We will all miss you. Love you 🥰

Tianna Clark - November 07, 2019 at 01:38 AM



“ Mary Diggs lit a candle in memory of Willie Franklin Walton



Mary Diggs - November 05, 2019 at 10:30 PM

DA

“ Love you cousin Rest in Heaven I will never forget all the fun times we had. Memories last forever kiss all our other love ones for me.

Darla - November 05, 2019 at 01:49 PM