

Acknowledgement

The Howard family wishes to sincerely thank all friends and family for their kind expressions of sympathy.

Pallbearers

RAYMOND HOWARD ~ MARK HOWARD ~ TIMOTHY HOWARD
BILL HOWARD ~ STEPHEN HOWARD ~ GREG WILLIAM

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PELECAN CLUB EAST
5512 E. Livingston Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43232

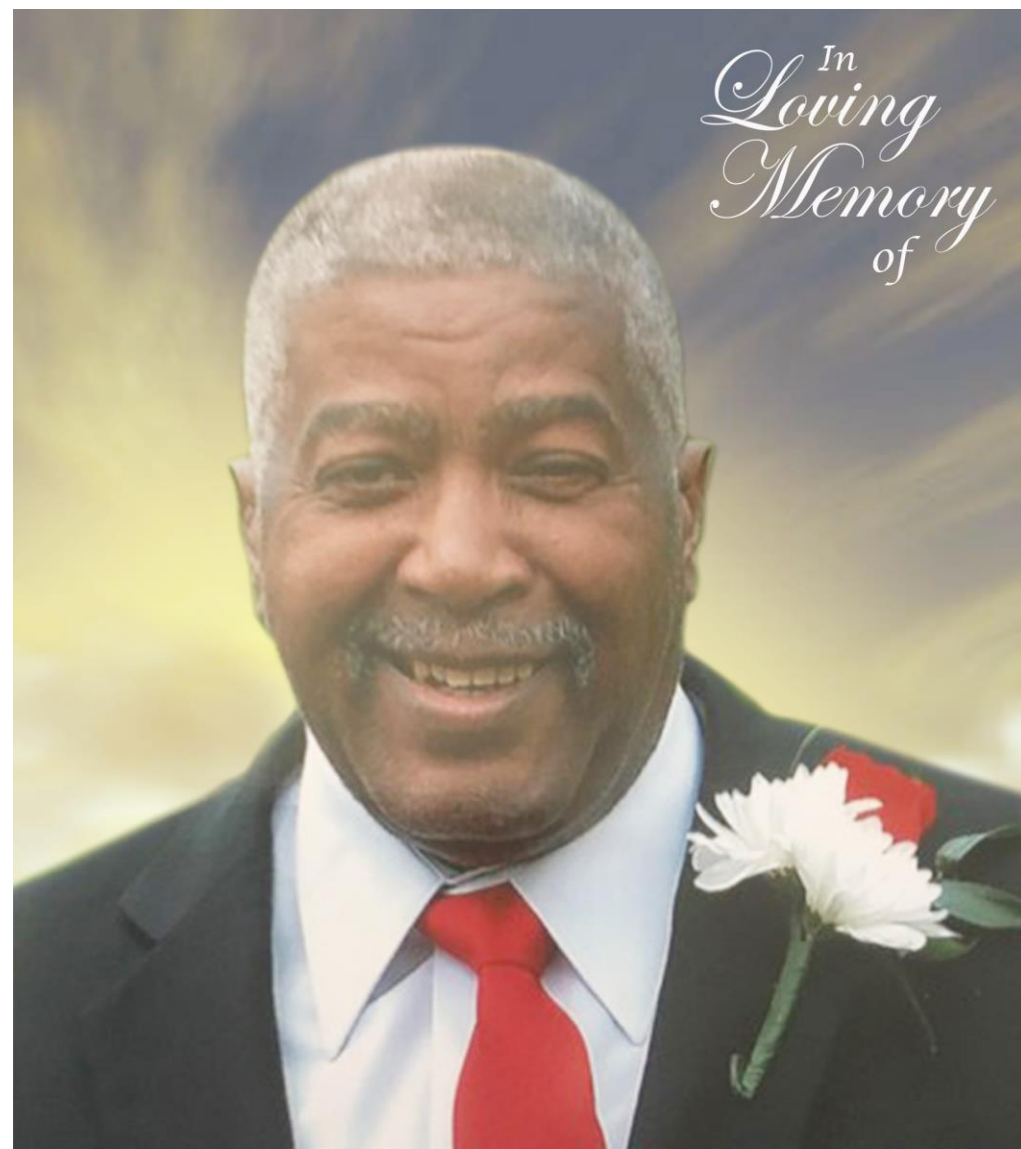
Everything Will Be OK

*Don't spend too much time mourning,
Tears are for the sad
I am with Jesus now,
This should make you glad
Don't waste your hours grieving,
No need to feel distressed
I was tired of life's frustration
And had to get some rest
Don't vex yourself with questions
Or try to reason why
Life here for me has ended
It came time to die
Don't fret because my leaving
Came in such a way
We'll have another meeting
On God's Eternal Day*

To offer condolences to The Howard Family,
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*In
Loving
Memory
of*



William Ocie Cornelius Howard, Sr.

MARCH 14, 1945 ~ JANUARY 31, 2021

~Service~

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2021 ~ 11:00 AM

MARLAN J. GARY FUNERAL HOME

Chapel of Peace East

5456 E. Livingston Avenue
Columbus, Ohio

Obituary

William Ocie Cornelius Howard Sr., 75, passed away on January 31, 2021. He was born on March 14, 1945 in Dayton, OH to Cornelius Howard and ThyraLee Smith. He married two beautiful souls that bore his children, Gwendolyn Greathouse and Rita N. Law.

William is preceded in death by his grandparents Ocie and Carrie Smith; parents Cornelius and ThyraLee; son Maurice and daughter Natosha Howard; sisters Jonnie Mae Starks and Cornelia Smith; brothers Christopher Howard, Ricky and Sandy Edmonds and James Jessie Smith; Gwendolyn Greathouse.

William is survived by Daughter Marquetta (Byron) Jackson, TX; sons Ronnie Greathouse and William Howard, Jr., OH; Raymond Howard Sr., MA; Grandchildren Glamourd Greathouse, OH; Jesiah Preston, OH; Raymond Howard II, RI; Denise and William Howard III., OH; Brayden Howard, MA; Sisters and brother, Laura Ruth Jackson, AL; Brenda Joyce Howard-Dear, Michael Williams, Mabel (Anthony) Weaver, Gregory, Mark, Timothy (Adrean) Dorothy (Tiny), Renee, Dolores, Cornelius (Erma), Stephen and Thomas HOWARD(s).

William is also survived by a host of nieces, nephews, cousins by the dozens, as well as friends. A special recognition to long-time friend of 60+ years, and Air Force Buddy pass, Clifford Glover; nephew Ty Law (Aliquippa), Special daughters Annmarie DeBrito, Courtney Howard and Tanya Luongo. A Special note of gratitude and thankfulness for the dedication of his Loving nieces Jessica Walters and Bonnie Haggins. He Loved you ALL so very much.

Bill was baptized at Philippi Baptist Church in Pataskala, Ohio, where he later served as a deacon, as well as becoming a Mason. Our father Loved the Lord and lived his life to the fullest. After graduating from Licking Heights High School, where he was known for his skills both on the football field and in track and field, he enlisted in the United States Air Force.

William faithfully served our country during the Vietnam War conflict as an aircraft mechanic and received an honorable discharge in 1968. His employment included Pepsi Company, Buckeye Steel, Worthington Foods, and as an Independent Tech in Arlington VA.

Our father was an avid fisherman, bowler, card and billiards player. He loved music (put on a jam and he would smile from ear-to-ear while dancing), Tee Jays Restaurant and his Ford F-150 truck! The youngest grandchildren will have fond memories of fishing with their grandpa. Bill will be best remembered for his handsomeness, big heart, kind spirit, smile, life of the party, jokester, lover of everyone, stranger to no man, and Soul Brother #1! We Love you Daddy, Dad, Uncle Connie, Grandpa, Brother, Cousin, Uncle Bill, Mr. Bill. Bill you will live on in spirit and in our hearts!

Order of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE.....	Daniel Goins
PARTING VIEW.....	Immediate Family
SCRIPTURE READING.....	Clarence Glover
Old Testament.....	John 3:16, 1
New Testament.....	I John:4
PRAYER.....	Reverend Fred T. Booker
SELECTION	Daniel Goins
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT/CONDOLENCES.....	Je'Mari Ferguson
REMARKS	Family and Friends
READING OF OBITUARY	Diamond Haggins
SELECTION	Music Ministry

The Eulogy

REVEREND FRED T. BOOKER, ASSOC. MINISTRY
Family Missionary Baptist Church

BENEDICTION	Clergy
RECESSIONAL	Clergy, Family, and Friends

Interment

GLEN REST MEMORIAL ESTATE
8029 E. Main Street
Reynoldsburg, Ohio

*I am the resurrection and the life: He that believeth in me
though he were dead yet shall he live.
And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.*

John 11:25-26