



To My Family and Loved Ones  
"I'm Free"

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,  
I'm following the path God laid for me.  
I took His hand when I heard Him call,  
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day

To laugh, to love, to work, preach or play:  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy,  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh yes, these things I too will miss  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full I savored much,  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's  
touch.

Perhaps my time seemed 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.

Active Pallbearers

Amario Clay	Larry Brown Jr
Joshua Brown	Isaac Clay
Bryce Dugger	Billy Clay III
Tedarrion Davis	Zadrion Clay

Flower Attendants

Ushers & Friends

Internment

Vickers Cemetery

Repast

Weir Center

Acknowledgements

Perhaps you sang a lovely song, or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a beautiful flower, if so, we saw them there. Perhaps you sent or spoke kindest words, as only friends can say. Perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day. Perhaps you prepared some tasty food whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you so much; whatever the part.

Love, The Clay Family



Final rites were entrusted to:

*Harrell's*



Mr. Sidney Keith Harrell- Licensed Funeral Director & Embalmer  
400 E. Cherry Street  
Douglas, Georgia 31533  
(912) 384-2251

*Celebration The Life  
of*



*Apostle Billy Ray  
Clay, Sr.*

*Sunrise:*

Dec. 21, 1937

*Sunset:*

May 15, 2018

Sunday, May 20, 2018

12:00 P.M. – 1:00 P.M. Viewing  
1:00 P.M. Homegoing Celebration

*Overcomers Tabernacle of  
Faith & Praise*

1430 Iron Road  
Douglas, Georgia 31533

## *Life's Path.....*

Billy Ray Clay Sr, 80, returned to his heavenly home on May 15, 2018. His devotion to his family and his firm belief in God supported him in his struggle and ultimately gave him peace.

Apostle Billy R Clay Sr., Pastor of the Overcomers Tabernacle of Faith and Praise of Douglas, Ga was called to the ministry in November 1971 in Syracuse, NY.

In the year of 1968 he accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior, and received the Gift of the Holy Ghost. A few years later he began to evangelize worldwide.

January 1977 he became the Pastor of Trinity Mission For Christ, under the leadership of Trinity Faith in Toledo, Ohio, where Bishop Isaac King (Dad) was the Pastor.

Apostle Billy R Clay Sr, later became the Founder and Pastor of the Overcomers Tabernacle of Faith and Praise in Douglas, Ga.

Billy R Clay Sr was preceded in death by his parents James C Reed and Ruby Vaughn Clay (Step father, Walter Frank Clay). Brother; Freddie Lee Clay. His two beautiful daughters, Barbara Dugger and Angela Clay.

He is survived by his wife and best friend of 60 years, Elvenia Clay. He leaves to cherish his memories; Six children, Dana Clay of Biloxi, Ms, DeAnna (Anthony) Graham of Jonesboro, Ga,

Alecia Brown of Douglas Ga, Porcia (Bruce) Johnson of Fayetteville Ga, Tara Davis and Billy R Clay Jr both of Douglas Ga. Siblings; Jerry Clay Sr of Ft Lauderdale Fl, Carolyn Clay of Douglas Ga, Lonnie Paul Clay of Albany Ga, Linda (Danny) Phillip of Ft Lauderdale Fl, Jimmy (Nina) Clay of Waycross Ga, Elmira (John) Griffin of Atlanta Ga, Howard (Linda) Underwood of Albany NY, Frederick (Rhonda) Reed of Duluth Ga, James (Charlene) Reed of Jacksonville Fl and Demetrius Bobby Reed of Charlotte NC, other siblings, and a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, aunts, uncles, cousins, god children, other relatives and friends; and the entire Overcomers Tabernacle of Faith and Praise family.

## Jeremiah 1: 4-10

4. *Then the word of the Lord came to me, saying:*
5. *"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; Before you were born I sanctified you; And I ordained you a prophet to the nations."*
6. *Then said I: "Ah, Lord God! Behold, I cannot speak, for I am a youth."*
7. *But the Lord said to me: Do not say, 'I am a youth,' For you shall go to all to whom I send you, And whatever I command you, you shall speak.*
8. *Do not be afraid of their faces, For I am with you to deliver you," says the Lord.*
9. *Then the Lord put forth His hand and touched my mouth, and the Lord said to me: "Behold, I have put My words in your mouth.*
10. *See, I have this day set you over the nations and over the kingdoms, To root out and to pull down, To destroy and to throw down, To build and to plant.*

## *Order of Celebration*

*Minister Barbara Robinson- Presiding*

Musical Prelude

Processional.....Clergy & Clay Family

Prayer.....Prophet Bobby Guyton

*Reading of Holy Scriptures:*

Old Testament.....Deacon Quitman Brockington

New Testament.....Minister Roscoe Coates

Selection.....Overcomers Praise Team

Reflections.....Appointed Ministers

Reading of Obituary.....Soft Music

Selection.....Minister Robert Flowers

Eulogy.....Bishop Halsey D Watkins Jr.

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Recessional