

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 or play.

Tasks left undone must stay that way;

I found my place at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void

Then fill it with remembered joys.

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,

Ah yes, these things I too shall miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow:

I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savoured much;

Good friends, good times, a loved ones touch.

Perhaps my life 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

Hubert Coates

Prince Young

Jamarion Richardson

Freddie Coates

James Brower

Anthony Kinsey

Honorary Pallbearers

Ann Kinsey

Jackie Mitchell

Sharon Gibson

Acknowledgements

The family of the Late James Curtis Coates Jr. wishes to express our most sincere and heartfelt appreciation for all the prayers, phone calls, comforting words, flowers, cards, and all the acts of kindness bestowed upon us at our time of bereavement.. May God bless each and every one of you!

-The Family

Final Arrangements Entrusted To:



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Celebration of Life For James C. Coates, Jr.



Sunrise:

March 29, 1948

Sunset:

July 10, 2020

Saturday, July 18, 2020

11:00 AM

New Salem Cemetery

101 New Salem Cemetery Road

Ambrose, Georgia 31512

Pastor Christopher Taylor, Eulogist

Life Reflections

Mr. James C. Coates, Jr. was born March 29, 1948, to the late J.C. "Pete" and Pauline Battle Coates. He was called to his heavenly home on Friday, July 10, 2020.

He attended Telfair and Coffee County schools. He was a man of many skills and held many jobs. As a young man, He was a bounty hunter and warrant server, truck driver and logger, for most of his life, and he worked at The Coffee County Road Dept.

He made friends everywhere he went because he never met a stranger.

He met Annie P. Taylor in 1970, and they were married in 1976. In their union are three daughters, Saundra Stegall, Ursula Hodge(Carlton Sanders, Sr), and Katrina Fredrick.

After the passing of his late wife Annie in 2009, he married his estranged wife, Linda Blank, in 2011.

He is preceded in death by his faithful and devoted late wife, Annie P. Coates, and his parents, J.C. and Pauline Coates, and special niece, Tymara Alexander.

He leaves to cherish his memories: three daughters: Saundra Stegall, Ursula Hodge(Carlton Sanders, Sr), and Katrina Fredrick; nine siblings: Willie C. Coates, Christine Brower (James), Shelly Rolax (Clyde), Roscoe Coates (Ellawese), Hubert Coates (Vivian), Tommy (Mamie), Betty Young, Freddie Coates, Wayne Coates (Sheryl) and Sheila Robinson; six in-laws: Johnnie Mae Jones (Jose), Carolyn Jordan, Joseph Taylor(Dorothy), Josephine Myles, Willie Taylor (Janice), Chester Taylor (JoeAnn); eleven grandchildren: Courtney King(Raheem), Lakayla Spooney (Fatisha Ryan), Lakeya Spooney, Elmore Spooney III (Tiffany McLemore), Paris Hodge, Le'Aaricka Hodge(Kevin Bassoo), Patrick Fredrick, Trione Fredrick, Earl Fredrick, Chyna Fredrick, Shanteria Fredrick; ten great-grandchildren: Christopher, Kinley, Camdyn, Karter, Jalail, Ja-Layaiha, K'Leigh, Addison, Jaliyah, Kyrie; a special cousin Sam Henry Battle; a special friend James Wille Ward; and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and sorrowing friends.

Precious Memories



Order of Service

Processional.....Ministers, Family & Friends

Solo.....Michael Wesley

Invocation.....Pastor Tommie Lee Wells Jr.

Scripture Readings

Old Testament.....Pastor Tommie Lee Wells Jr.

New Testament..... Pastor Tommie Lee Wells Jr.

Reflections.....Two Minutes Please

As a Pastor..... Pastor Tommie Lee Wells Jr.

Anyone Desiring to Speak

Obituary.....Read Silently

Solo.....Samantha Holley

Words of Comfort.....Pastor Christopher Taylor

Acknowledgements.....Harrell's Staff

Committal Service

Benediction