



Precious Memories



Active Pallbearers

Charles Shelton • Christopher Shelton
Cooper Shelton • Luvell Spratt III
Ford Shelton • Herschel Smith, Jr.

Honorary Pallbearers

Cassius Calhoun • Ethan Shelton • Cameron Shelton

Flower Bearers

Devinne Walker • Jordan Pennon
Tamia Shelton • Paige Blanchard
Deanna Wallace • Christen Calhoun

Interment

Hillcrest Memory Gardens
12813 N. E. 50th Street
Spencer, Oklahoma 73084

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Services under the direction of:

TEMPLE & SONS FUNERAL DIRECTORS, INC.

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111
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"We Care" — II Timothy 4:8

Acknowledgment

We, the family of Winford D. Shelton, Sr., appreciate all the love and support shown by so many. Every prayer, text, email, deeds and other acts of kindness have helped move us forward day by day. You are loved and it is our prayer that God continues to bless you and your families.

We offer a special thanks to Temple & Sons Funeral Directors and their staff. Their guidance, direction and execution were implemental in the successful homegoing celebration of our loved one.

*In Loving Memory
of
Winford Durnell Shelton, Sr.*

SUNRISE
September 27, 1942

SUNSET
July 27, 2021



SERVICES

Saturday, August 7, 2021 — 1:00 p.m.

EARL M. TEMPLE MEMORIAL CHAPEL

2801 N. Kelley Avenue
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111

Rev. Johnny Nubine
Officiating

Obituary

Winford Durnell Shelton was born on September 27, 1942 to Isaiah "Buster" Shelton and Evelyn (Davis) Shelton in Boley, OK. He was the fourth of eight children born to this union.

Winford attended school graduating from Boley High School Class of 1960. After his graduation he ran as fast as he could to Oklahoma City. Winford would share how upon his arrival to Oklahoma City the many miles that he walked in those early days to apply for jobs and landing one in a kitchen only to quit the same day. He simply had bigger aspirations to pursue. But in February of 1964 he was drafted into the US Army to serve time in Vietnam like so many others. He was able to return home between training long enough that on May 7, 1964, he married the love of his life, Adrian J. Thornton. After completing his tour by the grace of God, he returned home with an honorable discharge in February of 1966 to his loving wife.

Winford D. Shelton and Adrian J. Shelton were married for 57 years and to this union five children were born: Victor L. Shelton, Kenneth J. Shelton, Winford D. Shelton, Jr., Edward D. Shelton, and Kita L. Shelton. He brought a child into their union, Reggie E. Richburg.

Winford was affectionately known from childhood by his family and friends as "Black or Zeke." Winford was a loving husband and father that believed in working hard. He embraced all that was expected and required of a man as the head of his household. Winford, for many years, worked tirelessly to be a constant provider for his family. He also made it clear to his kids that nobody owes you anything. He stressed setting goals and being prepared to work hard to achieve them.

Winford loved to share stories of his childhood growing up with his siblings, picking cotton and peanuts, and raising the family's livestock. He also helped neighbors in order to make whatever money he could. Early on he settled into a technical trade and began working for a company that manufactured oil field supplies. Three months later he was on to a job paying more money at Tinker Air Force Base to help him better provide for his family. He would work as a Civil Service employee for many years eventually securing the position of Aviation Mechanical Inspector that required attention to detail and gave him the challenges he needed daily. After his retirement from Tinker Air Force Base, he continued to work other jobs to stay busy. He was a very proud family man and equally proud of his children.

Both of his parents and siblings — Wilbert, Asalene, Viola, Theola, and Sylvia — preceded him in death.

He is survived by his wife, Adrian J. Shelton; children: Reggie Richburg of Oklahoma City, OK, Victor L. Shelton (Venise) of Ocala, Florida, Kenneth J. Shelton, Winford D. Shelton, Jr. (Kerri), Edward D. Shelton (Cessnie), and Kita L. Shelton (Mike), all of Oklahoma City, OK; his siblings, Eloise Bowler and Ronald Shelton (Francis); and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.



Order of Service

- Processional Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family
Song — "When Sunday Comes" by Daryl Coley
- Prayer Pastor Jeff Mitchell
- Musical Selection Kenneth Shelton
- Scripture Reading Warren Pete
Old Testament — Psalm 23
New Testament — John 14:1-3
- Military Honors U. S. Army Detail
- Musical Selection — *The Lord's Prayer*. Nerissa Berry
- Resolutions/Acknowledgement Devinne Walker
- Obituary (*Read Silently*)
- Remarks (*Please limit to 2-3 minutes*) Family and Friends
- Musical Selection James Willis
- Eulogy Rev. Johnny Nubine
- Video Presentation
- Parting View Temple & Sons Funeral Directors
- Recessional Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family
Song — "God Is" by Rev. James Cleveland & The SCC Choir



Spiritual Blessings

"All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ. Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes."

Ephesians 1: 3-4 NLT

Scripture Readings

Old Testament – 23rd Psalms KJV

23 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. **3** He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. **4** Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. **5** Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. **6** Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

New Testament – John 14 1-3 KJV

14 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. **2** In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. **3** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.