

## 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 that peace, at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void  
Then fill it with memories of joy,  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
All 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've 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.

## Acknowledgment

The family of Clyde L. Ables Jr. wishes to express their sincere gratitude for the many acts of kindness shown during this time of bereavement. May God bless each of you.

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TEMPLE AND SONS FUNERAL DIRECTORS, INC.  
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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111  
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*"We Care"*

*II Timothy 4:8*

*In Loving Memory  
of*

*Clyde Leon Ables Jr.*

*Sunrise  
January 9, 1953*

*Sunset  
August 5, 2022*



## Services

Friday, August 12, 2022 - 10:00 a.m.  
Temple & Sons Funeral Directors, Inc.  
Earl M. Temple Memorial Chapel  
2801 North Kelley Avenue  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
Dr. Lawrence Kirk - Officiating  
St. John Missionary Baptist Church

## Obituary

On August 5th, 2022, the world became less interesting and much quieter when we lost **Clyde Leon Ables Jr.** Clyde was born on January 9, 1953 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and was the first born child of Clyde Leon Ables Sr. And Gwendolyn Lenore Moreland. His early education was in the Wichita Falls and Oklahoma City school districts. After high school, Clyde attended Langston University and University of Central Oklahoma.

In October, 1974, he married Cynthia Ray and this union was blessed with two precious daughters, Tiffany Patrice and Samone Gwendolyn. He was enlisted in the United States Army from 1976 to 1979 with additional time in the Army Reserves.

He married Brenda Joyce Taylor in May, 1985 in Dallas, Texas and they welcomed a son, Clyde Leon Ables III.

Clyde had many passions in life but the two that inspired and challenged him the most were jazz and history. When Miles Davis or Earl Garner were playing, nobody could talk or move about. He could look at news of a current event and tie that back to historical data in amazing ways. His mantra was *"but I ask too many questions don't I?"*

During the final days of his illness, he found comfort in listening to autobiographies and documentaries on audio books. Clyde was never without an opinion or a desire to learn more.

Carry on Clyde...we will always love you and will miss you forever.

Clyde is preceded by his parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles. Left to cherish his memories are his wife, Brenda Taylor Ables, Dallas, Texas, children: Tiffany (Maurice) Harris, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Samone (Shai) Willis, Austin, Texas, and Clyde L. Ables III, Los Angeles, California, one brother, George Cedric (Wendy) Ables, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, one niece, Amanda Ables, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, one uncle, Dr. George Moreland, MD, Los Angeles, California. He is also survived by seven grandchildren: Jonathan, Anthony, Trey, Micah, Lason, Austin, and Shai, a host of many cousins, other relatives and special friends.

## Order of Service

### PROCESSIONAL

Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family

### SCRIPTURE

Dr. Lawrence Kirk

### PRAYER

Dr. Lawrence Kirk

### SONG

"Amazing Grace"  
Mahalia Jackson

### EXPRESSIONS

### SONG

"Walk around Heaven"  
Mighty Clouds of Joy

### SCRIPTURE

Dr. Lawrence Kirk

### SONG

"Heaven"  
CeCe & BeBe Winans

### CLOSING PRAYER

Dr. Lawrence Kirk

DUE TO COVID-19, THERE WILL NOT BE A REPAST.