

### *Pallbearers*

Patton Simpson  
Bryan Roberts  
Rodney Bell  
DaRon Bruner

Maurice White  
Dietrich White  
Steven White  
Spencer White

### *Honorary Pallbearers*

Robert Bell  
Carlton Bell  
Jack Bell

William Woods  
Lazarus Bruner, Jr.  
Chris Elam

Gitan Roberts

### *Flower Bearers*

Shonnah White  
Dianne Bruner  
Andrea White  
Hope White

Erica Roberts  
Lisa Rodgers  
Donna Simpson  
Evonna Bruner

### *Honorary Flower Bearers*

Theopal Woods  
Darlene Ingram  
Cassandra Roberts  
Lavonda Whitfield

Carolyn Cheadle  
Nila Elam  
Maxine Bell  
Stella Bell

### *Interment*

Trice Hill Cemetery  
5101 North Coltrane Road  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73121

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### *Acknowledgment*

The family wishes to express its sincere gratitude for the many acts of kindness shown during this time of bereavement.

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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

# *James Wellington Bell, Jr.*

*Sunrise*

*September 6, 1933*

*Sunset*

*September 26, 2022*



### SERVICES

Saturday, October 8, 2022 - 11:00 a.m.

**Temple & Sons Funeral Directors, Inc.**  
**Earl M. Temple Memorial Chapel**

2801 North Kelley Avenue  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Pastor James Harris - Officiating  
Let Them Know Seekers Church



## *In Loving Memory*

Mr. James Wellington Bell, Jr. "Jimmy," was born to Mr. James Wellington Bell, Sr., and Mrs. Annie Bell on September 6, 1933, in Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina. Jimmy is preceded in death by his mother and father, sister Mamie Bell; sons: Artie Simpson, Fred Simpson and Eric Simpson; daughter, Vanessa White, and late wife, Zeldia Ross Bell.

Jimmy's early years were spent being raised in his home town with an abundance of family friends. He entered the United States Army in 1953, and had a career in the military for over 30 years. Tours in both Vietnam and Korean War, receiving Good Conduct Medal (6th AWD), Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, w/Device 1960, Bronze Star Medal, AFEM (Korea, 2 O/S Bars), Honorable Discharge. Before he went on tour, he married Zeldia Ross Bell. In marriage with Zeldia, he gained four sons, and together had their son, James W. Bell III. He retired as a Sergeant in 1984. He then continued to work at Tinker Air Force Base as a civilian. Jimmy decided that he wanted to finish his educational goals. So, he went back to school and graduated in 1994 from Central State University in Edmond, Oklahoma with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration. Jimmy had a unique, distinguished presence with others. A very respected, caring, loving and encouraging man to all that crossed his path.

Jimmy was a loving, caring and supportive husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle, and when he made a friend, they were a friend for life. Known for his kindness and dedication throughout the community, his work with the Shriners of OKC and a member of the local VFW. He always helped others when possible, and his love reached far beyond his family. He was a devoted Christian and his love for God was like no other. Moreover, Jimmy was known for his "snazzy" dress, magnificent hats and true love for Jazz and Blues Music and was quite the dancer in his younger years.

Jimmy is survived by his beautiful, loving, encouraging and supportive wife, Geneva White Bell of 32 years; his sons: James W. Bell III, Gitan Roberts and wife Cassandra, children: Bryan and Erica; sons: Michael White, Leonard, White, Bruce White and wife Andrea; Dietrich White, Steven "Porky" White, Maurice White and wife Hope; Spencer White and wife Shonnah; daughter, Dianne Bruner and sons; daughter-in-law, Donna Simpson and child Patton Simpson; two siblings: Robert L. Bell and wife Maxine of Newport News, Virginia; Jasper "Jack" Bell and wife Estella of Hampton, Virginia; nieces: Lisa D. Rodgers, Darlene S. Ingram, LeVonda A. Whitfield; nephews: Willis "Bill" Hofler, Carlton Bell, Rodney Bell. He also leaves to cherish his memories a host of beloved great nieces, great nephews, grandchildren, great grandchildren, other relatives and friends.

## *Order of Service*

Processional Song .....	"Your Grace And Mercy" Mississippi Mass Choir
Old Testament Reading .....	Reverend Greg Walker
New Testament Reading .....	Reverend Greg Walker
Prayer .....	Elder Charles Bullard
Song .....	"The Lord Is My Shepherd" Whitney Houston
Acknowledgments/Resolutions	
Song .....	"The Hallelujah Chorus" Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir
Silent Reading of Obituary	
Remarks .....	Please limit to 2 minutes each
Remarks from Family	
Song .....	"I Go To The Rock" Whitney Houston
Eulogy .....	Pastor James Harris
Video Tribute .....	"Jesus Is Love" Commodores
Parting View with Song .....	"Midnight Cry" Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir
Recessional	

Interment Service lead by Pastor James Harris