

## Willie Morell Jr.

February 17, 1939 - March 27, 2020

Willie Morell, Jr, age 81, of Decatur GA passed away Friday, March 27, 2020 due to complications from COVID-19. Willie was born in Springfield GA to Paulene Eason and Johnny Stephens. He was later adopted and raised by his parents Lester and Rosa Morell. He migrated to Detroit, Michigan where he lived for several years and subsequently moved to Chicago. He met and married Charlene Morell (Journigan) and they remained happily married for 51 years. They subsequently moved back to Effingham County in 1978 where they remained until they moved to the Atlanta area to be closer to their children in 2013.

Willie was preceded in death by his loving wife Charlene, his parents: Paulene Eason, Johnny Stephens, Lester and Rosa Morell, his daughter Renee Holliday, his siblings: John M Stephens Jr (Felix), Ruby Brown (Oldest Sister), Zeigler Morell, Benjamin Eason Jr., He is survived by his children: Keith Holliday (Kathy), Richard Holliday, Cherryl Holliday (Chris Donelson), Karen Rice (Cedric), Micha Holliday, Yolanda Curtis; His Siblings: Ronald Stephens, William Stephens (LaMonica), Patricia Rutledge, Chiquita Armstrong (Curtis), Karen Cooper, Lucia Simmons (Markell), Morris Morell (Ella), Isaiah Eason, Clayton Eason, Roy Eason (Helen), Lois Eason, Sandra Stephens(Rufus), Vanda Webster(Ken), Alveta Eason, and a host of nieces, nephews, friends and other family.

Willie was a member of Teamsters Local 710 and Millers Chapel Missionary Baptist Church of Conyers. In his heyday, he enjoyed riding motorcycles, grilling and any outside work (farm and otherwise).

Thank you dad, for putting up with all of the shenanigans of your children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

# Cemetery Details

## Green Meadow Memorial Gardens

677 American Legion Rd.  
Conyers, GA 30012

# Previous Events

## Burial

APR 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Conyers, GA 30012

# Tribute Wall

DH

“ *Daddy Morell, There is alot that can be said.. Thank you for being you..sums it up! Thank you for accepting and embracing me in your life. Thank you for your advice and guidance. You will ALWAYS be with me as I move forward in my life. Rest in Peace!*



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**Darren Hoyle** - April 06, 2020 at 07:10 AM

MA

“ *One of the smoothest around... Granddaddy what you meant to me words can't even explain. Being one of the first ones to teach me most of everything in life.. I'll always rember you calling me Boe... Can't wait till I see you again grandaddy.. love ya..*



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**Marquisss** - April 06, 2020 at 01:37 AM

YC

“ *Yolanda Morell Curtis lit a candle in memory of Willie Morell Jr.*



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**Yolanda Morell Curtis** - April 05, 2020 at 11:52 PM

YC

“ So... My fondest memories of Daddy were, 1st he taught me to drive a manual shift at 9 ( a tractor). Then an 18 wheeler at age 14. He and Mommy allowed me to drive to a country store solo at the age 12-14 ish with a signed nite and list of what they wanted. Daddy taught me to ride horses and bought me one in my early teens. Her name was Star and he spoiled her rotten. But most of all, in my mind Daddy was a super hero. One day he was doing work under a car, and he had the car on blocks of wood like a tree trunk. The car slipped and the car fell on him. I remember screaming and Mommy ran to sliding glass door and we both saw Daddy lift that car off his chest just enough to slide out. I was like "wow"!!! No one could tell me anything about him from that point forward! Thank you Daddy for loving all of your children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren infinitely! You have left footprints too large to fill, but a legacy that we will forever be proud to follow!!! I love you Daddy!!!

Lon (Yunk)

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**Yolanda Morell Curtis** - April 05, 2020 at 11:51 PM

MC

“ May the peace of God comfort all of you during this difficult time. Dad had a lot of wisdom and a great sense of humor. He made me laugh a lot sitting around the kitchen table talking with him and mom. Rest in Heaven. Thank You Lord for the cross! 🕊️❤️🕊️



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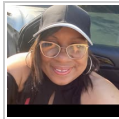
**Madelyn Coleman** - April 05, 2020 at 08:23 PM



“ *Deborah Danzy lit a candle in memory of Willie Morell Jr.*



Deborah Danzy - April 05, 2020 at 03:12 PM



*Unc my heart is heavy, and you will truly be miss, until we meet again. Love you family* 🍀❤️💖

Deborah Danzy - April 05, 2020 at 03:15 PM

UF

“ *Uncle George and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Willie Morell Jr..*



Uncle George and Family - April 04, 2020 at 10:44 PM

BM

“ *I will miss grandad. However I have comfort in knowing I will see him again. Rest easy grandad. Love* 💖 *always!*

Brandi Morency - April 04, 2020 at 03:01 PM

UF

“ *Uncle Morris and Family purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Willie Morell Jr..*



Uncle Morris and Family - April 03, 2020 at 07:39 PM



“ Well brother, I won't forget our dinner we had on Friday. I will miss our phone calls.  
See you on the other side.  
Sis Vanda, better known as gal.

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**Staci Steed** - April 03, 2020 at 02:16 PM



*This message is from my mother, Uncle Willie's baby sister, Evanda*

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**Staci Steed** - April 03, 2020 at 02:17 PM

KD

“ Karen Daughtry lit a candle in memory of Willie Morell Jr.



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**Karen Daughtry** - April 03, 2020 at 08:30 AM

LH

“ Pop,

*I was so blessed to have you as my father-in-law for 30+ years. So many great memories. I will miss your wisdom, big laugh, birthday and holiday serenades, and our Sunday chats. I love you, always.  
Rest in peace.*

*Lynn Holliday*

*(Give Mom a big hug for me.)*

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**Lynn Holliday** - April 02, 2020 at 07:51 PM

AE

“ We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to our family. We love you all and we will definitely miss you (Uncle) Willie.

Love,  
Amy, Benitra, Adrienne Eason & Family

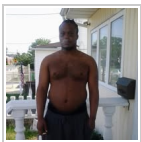


Amy, Benitra & Adrienne Eason - April 02, 2020 at 02:18 PM

DA

“ We call Him - Uncle Willie- We will forever cherish the Memories and Love which Both He and Aunt Charlene Gave to All- We will forever Miss them Both- it is very difficult to speak about Him without speaking about His Heartstring - Praying for the Family that God would bring comfort - even in this- We Love You All and May God show forth His comfort in the Days Ahead- When this is over - We will meet again. Love y'all 💕💕💕💕 Niocy and the Whole Family, Aunt Minnie, Renee, Theo, Nikki, Patrick, all the kids, everybody whose name I didn't get - Shawn, Rodney, Rasheed- everybody- we love you 💕💕💕💕🙏🙏

Denise Anderson - April 02, 2020 at 10:48 AM



“ Adolfo Bernard lit a candle in memory of Willie Morell Jr.



Adolfo Bernard - April 01, 2020 at 10:47 AM

KC

“ I will forever cherish our last moments together. Our very last conversation. Your last visit with me. A bond between sisters & brothers are deeper than one could know. No matter the distance, time or space there is a strong connection that intertwines within. You were the split image of our dad. Strong will and determine to never fail. Much wisdom about the nature of life for outdoors was your happy place. It was funny how things always seems to go as you said it would go. Your theory was always right! Well the truth be known you was a wise and very knowledgeable man that contribute so much to everyone. Loving you always.....your lil sis. Karen (lil Kay)

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**Karen Cooper** - March 31, 2020 at 08:46 PM


KC

“ 1 file added to the album Family



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**Karen Cooper** - March 31, 2020 at 08:29 PM

 Tiffany Davis

“ Tiffany Davis lit a candle in memory of Willie Morell Jr.



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**Tiffany Davis** - March 31, 2020 at 08:29 PM

BO

“ Blessings to the family. While I didn't know the brother, I yet extend sincere condolences to the family. His sister is a vital part of ministry here in Savannah, Georgia. We love Karen and when she hurts, we all hurt. On behalf of the entire Temple of Glory Community Church Family, we do sympathize with you in this time of bereavement. Please accept our expressions of comfort and encouragement during this time.



*Rev. Dr. Matthew M Odum  
Senior Pastor/ TOG  
Savannah, Georgia*

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**Bishop Matthew M Odum** - March 31, 2020 at 02:22 PM

KC

*Thank you so much Bishop Odum and my church family. Love you much.*

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**Karen Cooper** - March 31, 2020 at 08:54 PM

  
Thylenthia  
Houpe

“ I am Thylenthia (LYNT) Houpe ,daughter of Leroy and Helen Eason .Another one of uncle Willie's favorite nieces ." HE HAD THAT WAY ABOUT HIM TO MAKE YOU FEEL THAT SPECIAL IN HIS EYES". I am so happy my husband Brad and I was able to spend some recent time with him in his past days. I will love you and will miss you but I always remember our conversations and beautiful smiles with lots of laughter....

*To my family" ALWAYS KNOW THE LOVE WILL NEVER STOP HERE AND KEEP YOUR HEADS UP".*

*Brad and Thylenthia Houpe*

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**Thylenthia Houpe** - March 31, 2020 at 02:20 PM

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“ *My memories is from his truck driving days. I lived in Boston Ma and when he was in my state he would stop and spend some time with me, overnight stay. Connected again upon my retirement back to GA. 2013 Will miss you brother. Deloris, better known as (Lois)*

Deloris Eason (lois) - March 31, 2020 at 01:05 PM

KH

“ ☆ *Please accept my deepest condolences for your family's loss.*

*Mrs. Eunice Jackson-Lyle*



Kathy Holliday - March 31, 2020 at 12:59 PM

KH

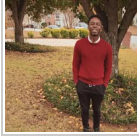
“ *The Ole Man will be missed, and his passing reminds me of the quote "Family means No one gets left behind or forgotten, this is so true of our blended family able to put aside obstacles, personal disagreements, everyone in this family made sure Mr. and Mrs. Morell were treasured and provided for. No ones life is perfect because sometimes problems don't require a solution to solve them: instead they require maturity and love to outgrow them" I am proud of everyone*

Kathy Holliday - March 31, 2020 at 12:35 PM



“ *Uncle Willie you will be truly missed by your favorite niece, ( just kidding yall). But no, I will always carry you with me in my heart and never forget how you would say " Hey Gal, how you do"???* 😍😍

Staci Steed - March 31, 2020 at 12:19 PM



“ When I was a child, I HATED yard work of any kind. Y’all, I used to be out there sobbing while mowing the lawn! 😭 But then I would think of my grandfather, who would spend hours every single day working outside. And in that Savannah heat too! I literally once watched this man capture and kill a rattlesnake, laughing the whole time. (Y’all know I was watching from inside the house, looking through the window 😭). This man was fearless and hardworking and upstanding and such a jokester. What a crucial part of my upbringing you were, Granddad. You left your mark on this world, and you must be so proud. The courage and wisdom you’ve instilled into this family will continue to be passed on for generations. Rest in Power, old man.

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**Steven Rice** - March 31, 2020 at 11:47 AM