Mr. Husher Merritt ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional led by Bishop McCluster

Last Glance | Final Closure

Selection Ms. Tangela Smith

Prayer Bishop McCluster or Appointee

Scripture Readings I Corinthians 13:1-3

John 14:1-3

Reflections Open to Friends

limit 2 minutes

Selection Mrs. Theresa Merritt

Words of Comfort Bishop Melvin McCluster
Pastor | Friendship Missionary Baptist Church

Acknowledgements and

Presentation of the

Heirloom Family Bible Barnum Staff

Committal Prayer Bishop McCluster

Benediction Bishop McCluster

Recessional

Please turn all cell phones and electronic devices off or to silent mode during the service. Thank you.

Weep NOT FOR ME

Weep not for me though I have gone into that gentle night. Grieve if you will, but not for long upon my soul's sweet flight. I am at peace, my soul's at rest. There is no need for tears, for with your love I was so blessed for all those many years. There is no pain, I suffer not. The fear is now all gone. Put now these things out of your thoughts. In your memory I live on. Remember not my fight for breath. Remember not the strife. Please do not dwell upon my death but celebrate my life.

UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN~

Husher Merritt | 1935-2020

EARTHLY PLACE OF REST Mt. Zion Baptist Church Cemetery Webster County, GA 31864

Our Sincere Thanks

We are extremely grateful to you for all expressions of love, words of encouragement, and services rendered during our time of bereavement.

~THE FAMILY



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HUSHER MERRITT

Sunrise: August 29, 1935 Sunset: November 20, 2020

GRAVESIDE SERVICE
Friday, December 4, 2020 | 11:00 a.m.
Mt. Zion Baptist Church Cemetery
Webster County, Georgia 31864

Officiant | Bishop Melvin McCluster
Friendship Missionary Baptist Church



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Mr. Husher Merritt OBITUARY

Were R. Husher Merritt was born in Sumter County, Georgia on August 29, 1935, to the parentage of the late Mr. Frank Williams and the late Ms. Mary Lizzie Merritt. He received his education in the public schools of Sumter County. He served his community locally as a barber at the neighborhood barber shop. He also worked in transportation as a truck driver.

He is preceded in death by a son, Husher Merritt, Jr.; a daughter, Becky Thompson; and five sisters: Ruby Jackson, Osceola Wright, Hazel Wright, Johnnie Freeman, and Mary Colwell.

He leaves to cherish his memories: two sons, Mr. Willie (Theresa) Merritt, St. Cloud, FL and Mr. Sammy Merritt, Sr., Pompano Beach, FL; one daughter, Ms. Vivian Bryant, Coral Springs, FL; one brother, Mr. James (Frances) Merritt, Plains, GA; one sister, Mrs. Pearlie (Ezell) Shelton, Americus, GA; eleven grandchildren; seventeen great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends also survive.

As I reflect and recall, it was my Daddy that taught me some important lessons that I will never forget. Dad was definitely a task master. Everything for him had to be done like clock work. I often wondered why he was so hard, only to realize he was shaping me into who I needed to become.

It was important to him that my siblings and I knew our maker and creator— the Lord Jesus Christ— so I remember us praying every night before bed and going to church on Sundays. It was not an option but mandatory.

It was also important to him that we were smart so he taught us at home until we became school age. Being lazy and not focused wasn't tolerated in our house.

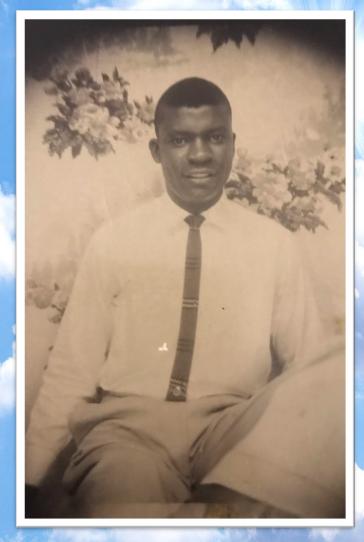
For Dad, FAMILY has always been the priority so going to his sisters' or brother's houses brought a lot of excitement for us. LOVE was definitely felt. I will never forget those times.

Fast forward to the last five years, the time that I was able to spend with DADDY at Lillian Carter will always resonate in my mind. He was able to witness our *commitment* and *love* for him. He was super proud of us. The *joy* and BIG SMILE shown on his face when he looked up and saw us will always be remembered.

I THANK God for His extended *grace* and *mercy* as we CELEBRATE Dad's 85 years of LIFE. What a Mighty God we serve.

Rest In Peace Daddy!

~Vivian



I remember coming to visit
Dad, and he and I went to a
store down the street.
I recall asking Daddy how did
he feel with his baby son
driving him around?
I recall Daddy smiling, and told
me that I drove pretty good.
Daddy was a man of few words,
but when he spoke,
there was a lesson to be learned
and conversations
always had meaning.

~Willie

We share in being "men of few words", but here are my words, I LOVE you, Dad.

~Sammy

Husher Merritt

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