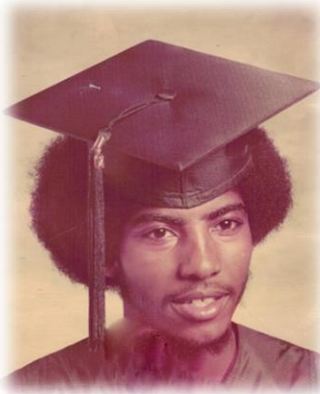


The Family Tribute

*A smile for all, a heart of gold
One of the finest this world could hold
Never selfish, always kind
These are the memories he leaves behind...*



Mr. Reginald "Dee Dee" Tatum, 66, of Statesville, NC, passed away on May 14, 2021 at Gordon's Hospice House in Statesville, NC following an extended illness. He was born in Iredell County July 21, 1954, and was the son of Annie Lee Miller Tatum and the late John Tatum.

He was a graduate of South Iredell High School and at an early age, he attended New Center Presbyterian Church and Logan Presbyterian Church. Prior to his retirement, he was employed by J. C. Penny for over 38 years. For over forty-nine years, he shared his life with Sheila Sturghill Tatum, and they've been married for over thirty-nine years. His hobbies included fishing, old school music, chocolate cake, being with family and friends and challenging his Mom with the daily crossword puzzles in the Newspaper.

He leaves to cherish the memory of his life, in addition to his wife, Sheila of the home; his children: Carlos (Jennifer Stokes) Sturghill, Travis Clark, Frankie (Nakia Little) Clark and Carmal Sturghill, all of Statesville; siblings, John Wayne Tatum, Benny Ray Tatum, and Donna Butler, all of Statesville, Gloria Tatum, Loretta Mitchell of Charlotte and Todd (Lynn) Tatum of Lebanon, VA; his mother-in-law, Dorothy Grimes Sturghill of Statesville; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law: Kathy Grimes, Robin Sturghill, Gary (Gayle) Sturghill and Todd (Kimlee Dalton) Sturghill; grandchildren: Daisyah Sturghill, Aviaz Clark, Tacari Clark, Camiel Sturghill and Zavion Torrence; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

**May your soul
Rise up to heaven
Before the devil
knows you're dead!
"Rock"**



A Service Remembering the Life of

Mr. Reginald Tatum

**Wednesday, May 19, 2021
Rutledge and Bigham Funeral Home
Statesville, North Carolina
Bishop Wilford Walls, Officiating
Pastor of Bethlehem Holiness Church**

The Visitation

1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

The Order of Service

- The Processional
 - The Invocation
 - The Selection
 - The Scripture Meditation:
 - Old Testament
 - New Testament
 - The Prayer of Comfort
 - The Silent Reading of the Obituary (*Soft Music*)
 - The Remarks (*Limit two minutes please*)
 - Friends
 - Family
 - The Acknowledgments and Commemorative Presentation
 - Funeral Director
 - The Selection
 - The Eulogy Bishop Wilford Walls
 - The Recessional Selection
- In the procession to the cemetery, please remember to turn on your headlights, take caution at all intersections, and fasten your seatbelts for safety.*

Private Burial

At The Belmont Cemetery

- The Gathering of the Christian Community**
- The Ritual of Consignment**
- The Prayer of Benediction**
- The Final Departure**





Sheila  DeeDee



Casket Bearers

Flower Bearers

Relatives and Friends

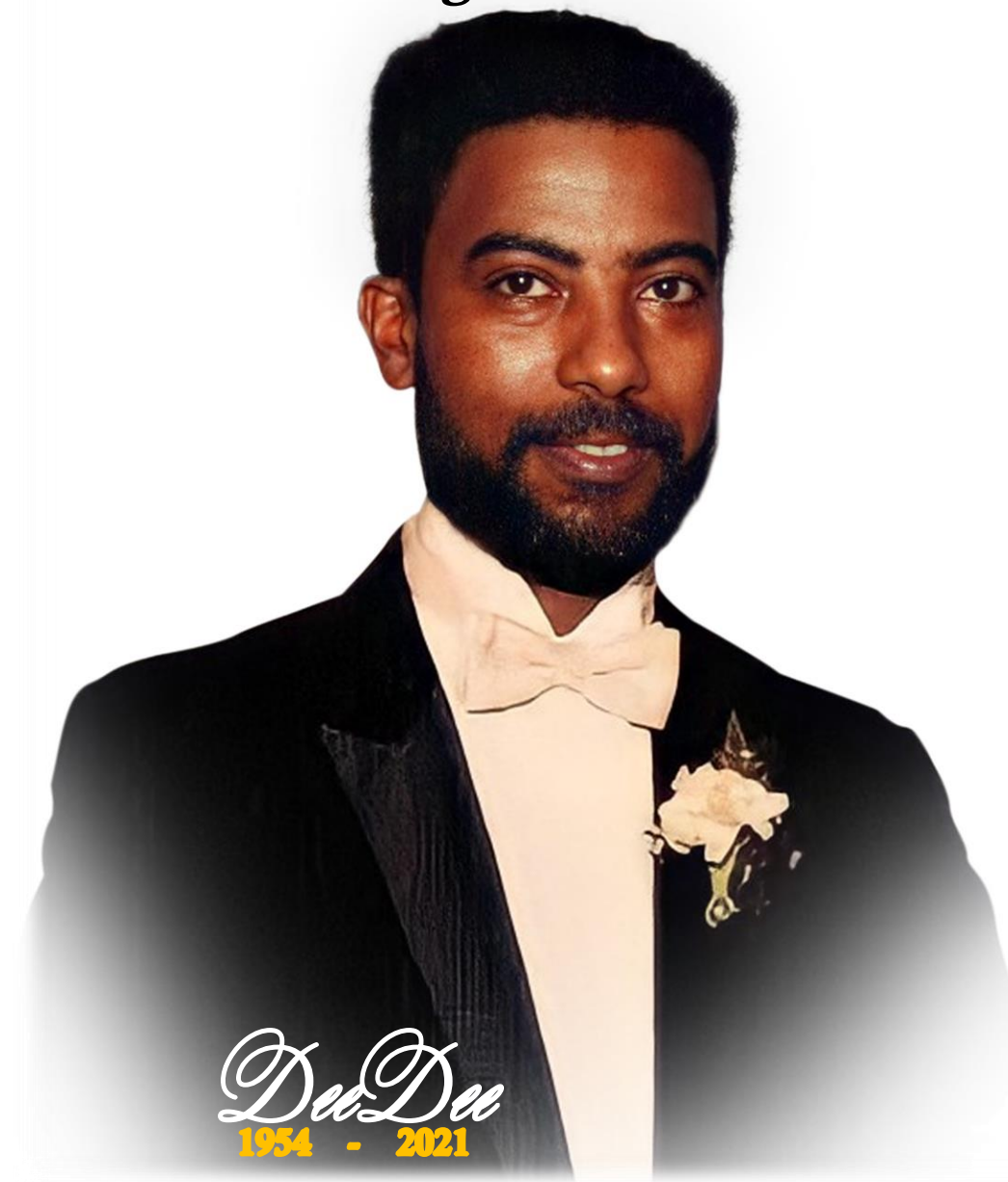
With Our Heartfelt Thanks

...that we through the patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope, (Romans 15) God has given us our church family, neighbors and dear friends, to help us as we go forward. God's Word has been manifested through your many expressions of sympathy and support; we praise God from whom all blessings flow. Thank you for honoring the memory of our beloved "DeeDee" and for remembering us during his illness and passing. In our risen Lord, we have peace that passes all understanding.

The Family

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Visit DeeDee's Online Tribute at www.rutledgeandbigham.com*

Celebrating the Life of **Mr. Reginald Tatum**



DeeDee
1954 - 2021

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*As long as life and memory last...
We will remember you!*