## The Family Tribute

Servant of God, well done! Rest from thy loved employ! The battle fought, the victory won, Enter thy Master's joy.

Mr. Jimmie Lee McClain, 85, of Hiddenite passed away on Friday, December 10, 2021, at Presbyterian Hospital, Huntersville. He was born in Iredell County on June 2, 1936, to the late B. Grier and Doshia Parker McClain. He was preceded in death by seven brothers, Elmore, Willard, S. Walter, Albert, Esby, RV, and Jacob; four sisters, Hattie M. Griffin, Ollie C. McClain, Annie Catherine Linney, and Mary Sue McClain.

Jim attended Happy Plains School. He was a gentle giant that wore many hats and was dedicated to helping his dad on the farm. Earlier in his teen years, he worked at the Overcash Dairy Farm, milking cows twice a day, and also on Waugh Farm. Jim drove a school bus and was a master tree trimmer and lawnmower mechanic. After he got married, he drove a truck for Broyhill Furniture, for thirty plus years before retiring. His hobbies were bowling, playing baseball, pitching horseshoes, very passionate skating with his brother Jake, and buddies at the Wilkesboro Skating Rink, along with spending time with his family.

He joined Third Creek Baptist Church where he was active in Sunday School, on the usher board, for more than 50 years, sang in the Golden Star Choir, and he loved serving the Lord. Jim married the former Mildred Juanita Mayfield, on July 16, 1959, and they were married for 61 years.

In addition to his wife, Mildred Juanita Mayfield McClain, he leaves to cherish the memory of his life, two sons, Shelton McClain and Richard McClain; a daughter, Robin M. Cowan; a sister, Shirley M. Byers; a proud grandfather of five grandchildren, Maurice Cowan, Andrew McClain, Ciara Cowan, Starr Cowan and Angelica Scott; thirteen great grandchildren; niece/nephew, with whom he was raided, Gladys (AJ) Allen, Leonard (Peggy) McClain; a brother-in-law, Lonnie Mayfield (Carolyn); sisters-in-law, Aleece Mayfield, Doris Morrison (Randy) and Wavie Wilder (Tony); a host of nieces and nephews, including one special nephew, Fitzgerald McClain, former son-in-law, Stanley Cowan, who helped care for him; cousins, other relatives and friends.

There is an open gate, at the end of the road
Through which each must go alone
And there in a light, we cannot see
Our Father claims His own.
Beyond the gate, our loved one
Finds happiness and rest
And there is comfort in the thought
That a loving God knows best.

### Saturday, December 18, 2021 Third Creek Baptist Church

Stony Point, North Carolina
Reverend Tommy Carpenter, Officiating

# The Order of Service

The Processional

# The Gathering of Family and Friends 11:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

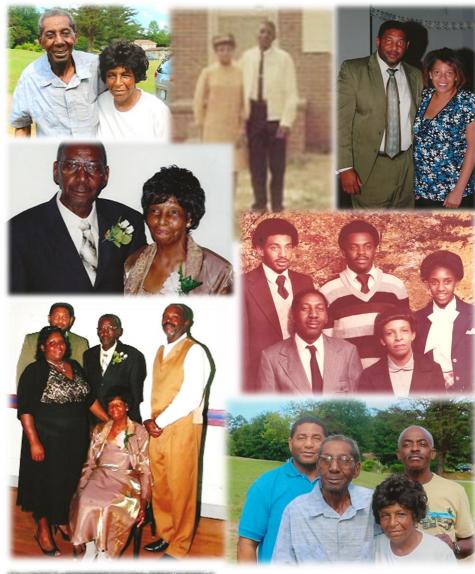
Friends may visit with the family until 11:55 a.m. The Final Viewing and Closing of the Casket

#### 12:00 p.m.

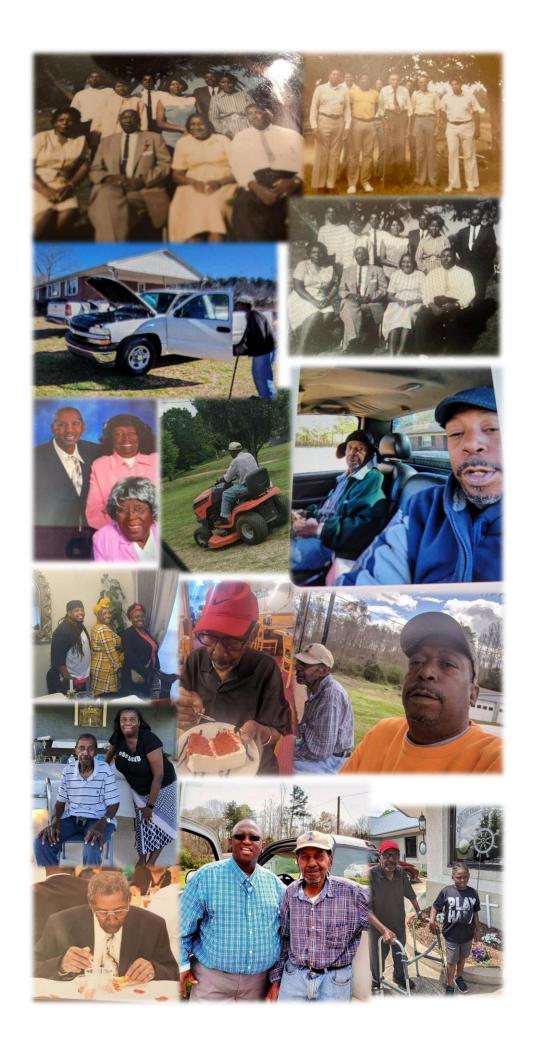
# At The Third Creek Baptist Church Cemetery

Stony Point, North Carolina

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









Professional Services Entrusted To:
Rutledge & Bigham Mortuary, Inc.
603 South Center Street, Statesville, NC (704) 873-3611
Visit Jim's Online Tribute
www.rutledgeandbigham.com

# A Celebration of Life for

Mr. Jimmie Q. Mc Clain



A Gift Given June 3, 1936

A Gift Returned December 10, 2021

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