

Celebrating His Life...

*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. William Melvin Imes, Jr., known as **Melvin**, son of the late William “Sonny” Imes, Sr. and Beatrice Mae Lynch, was born in Yadkin County, N.C., on April 14, 1956. He departed this life on Thursday, February 17, 2022, at Gordon Hospice House, Statesville, N.C., following an extended illness.

Melvin was a graduate of West Iredell High School, and served in the National Guard, where he was a veteran of the Army Reserve. He was married to Tana Wilson Imes, who survives. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death a sister, Anita Lynch, and two brothers, Kenneth (Tookie) Imes, and Johnny Ray Imes.

He leaves to cherish the memories of his life, his wife, Tana Wilson Imes; two daughters, Shanika Imes and Kiana Imes; one beloved granddaughter, Jakiya Imes; five brothers, Corey (Anna) Imes, of Charlotte, Anthony Imes, of Statesville, James Lynch, and Kevin Lynch, both of Winston Salem, and Wilbur Weaver; five sisters, Sharon (Derrick) Murdock, of Statesville, Angela Harper, of Charlotte, Artrice Lynch, and Robin Lynch, both of California; Willette Weaver, and Stacy Weaver; one brother-in-law, Seifullah (Mahasin) El-Amin; six sisters-in-law, Valerie (Cecil) Mayberry, Lillian (James) Tillman, Faith Wilson, Iris Murdock, Nina Wilson, and Glynita Wilson, all of Statesville; a host of uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces, cousins, other relatives and friends.

*Day is done, gone the sun,
From the lake, from the hills
From the sky; All is well
Safely rest, God is nigh.*

A Service Celebration the Life of *Mr. William Melvin Imes, Jr.*

Saturday, February 26, 2022

2:00 p.m.

Rutledge and Bigham Funeral Home

Statesville, North Carolina

Bishop James Jackson, Officiating

The Order of Service

2:00 p.m.

The Invocation

The Hymn: *Pass Me Not*

The Scripture Readings

Old Testament

New Testament

The Prayer of Comfort

The Acknowledgments

The Commemorative PresentationThe Funeral Director

The Selection: *I'll Fly Away*

The Words of ComfortBishop James Jackson

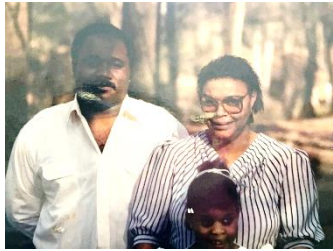
The Committal

The Recessional Selection

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 Melvin and for remembering us during his passing. In our risen Lord, **we have peace that passes all understanding.** *The Family*

Sweet Memories



Mr. William Melvin Imes, Jr.



Dad

Melvin
1956 - 2022

*He taught us so much,
expect how to live without him*



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