



Mr. William L. Whittaker

December 4, 1961 - June 18, 2022

Obituary

William Leonard Whittaker was born December 4th 1961 to the union of Betty Byrd and Leonard Whittaker. He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters Roberta Starr,

Della Luster, Betty Cummings, Emma White, Arlene Byrd and Goldie Riddle.

Left to cherish his memory is brother Louis Byrd, sister Shirley Huddleston, daughter Shayla Whittaker, granddaughters, Creedence Wimberly and Mazani Dupree and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

William served in the Army and enjoyed telling stories about his travels and his cooking. Upon retiring he worked as a cook at various establishments in Kansas City Kansas and Missouri. But the position he was most proud of was cooking for and serving children at the Salvation Army post on Linwood.

Having accepted Christ at an early age William was always cheerful and enjoyed being helpful.

William was an avid music fan. He loved all types of music particularly Blues and Jazz. He enjoyed singing, dancing and playing the drums.

He will be remembered for his cheerful demeanor and his singing.

We called him Leonard. The good news is that in his dying he felt no pain. The doctors had given him days to live. He languished for a few days and then he was back. They couldn't explain it but we knew God was at work. We were blessed with almost seven more months. Time to talk, enjoy his almost daily strawberry shake, listen to music, play bingo!

We heard his voice sometimes strong, sometime not "Brother, what you bring me?" Singing loudly to any song that might be playing. Endearing himself to everyone at the nursing home. Everyone knew that voice.

He will be greatly missed but we know absence from us means he is in the presence of the Lord. We thank God for the opportunity to have been part of his life.

A memorial service will be held Monday, June 27, 2022, 2:00pm at Lawrence A. Jones & Sons Funeral Chapel. Condolences may be shared on our website.

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