



Clarence O. Wilkerson, Sr.

May 18, 1932 - July 23, 2020

Clarence Oliver Wilkerson Sr. was born on May 18, 1932 in Kissimmee, Fla. to the late Origin Wilkerson Wideman and John D. Wilkerson. Clarence's parents transitioned to the Lord many years ago. Clarence's brother, John A. Wilkerson Sr. and sister, Corrine Hill, preceded him in death.

Clarence met the love of his life, Mildred, while teaching as a Science Professor at Edward Waters College, Jacksonville, Fla. The two were joined in Holy Matrimony on March 26, 1959. Clarence and Mildred were blessed with 61 years of marriage and were honored to have celebrations with every milestone birthday and anniversary.

Clarence began his teaching career as a Science Professor at Edward Waters College in Jacksonville, Fla. He later moved to Orlando and taught at Hannibal Elementary School in Winter Park, Fla. He then left Hannibal and was one of the 1st teachers to be assigned during integration to Judson B. Walker Middle School. Clarence retired from the Orange County Public School System in 1994 where he devoted 38 ½ years to the system as a Science teacher and whereas 36 of those years were spent at Walker Middle School. His most notable educational recognition is where the administration and community of Walker Middle, along with the Orange County School Board named the new science building, "The Clarence Wilkerson Science Building" in his honor.

Clarence loved his Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and up until the time of his passing was an active member of the Delta Xi Lambda Orlando Chapter. Clarence was recognized as a Lifetime member for serving over 65 years in his fraternity.

Left to cherish his memory is his devoted wife of 61 years, Mildred L. Wilkerson; and their 2 lovely children: Clarice Wilkerson Honeywell , Clarence O. Wilkerson Jr. (Joya); one grandson, Jaylen Cole Wilkerson; his nieces and nephews, Gloria Hill Clark, Barbara King (deceased), Marion Henson, Lawrence Hill (deceased), Gwendolyn Hill, William Hill (Brenda), Donald Hill, Lori Clay, Marcia Dianne Wilkerson, Andrea Wilkerson (deceased), John Wilkerson Jr. (deceased), sister-in-law-Eleanor Tooley Jennings (Alto); brothers-in-law, George Tooley III, and Frank Tooley (Alma) Michael E. Tooley (deceased), Christopher W. Tooley (deceased); and a host of grandnieces, grandnephews, cousins, other relatives and close friends.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, August 8, 2020 at 10:00 a.m., at Woodlawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Gotha. Florida 34734 Immediately following the service, family and friends are invited to participate in a vehicle (drive-thru) procession, where you will be able to greet family and receive an obituary, while social distancing in your car.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Memorial Park

400 Woodlawn Cemetery Road
Gotha, FL 34734

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG 8. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Gotha, FL 34734

Tribute Wall



“ Clarence O. Wilkerson, Sr.

October 22, 2023 at 05:49 PM



“ To the family of Mr. Clarence O. Wilkerson, Sr.~

I uplift your family in prayer at this time of loss and sorrow. May God enfold you in His faithful love and may you find gentle comfort as you grieve.

*In sympathy,
Dr. Teion L. Wells Harrison*

Teion L. Wells Harrison - August 07, 2020 at 11:42 PM



“ To the Family of Mr. Clarence O. Wilkerson, Sr. (My "Buddy Friend"),

I wish you comfort in the precious memories of a life well lived. Clarence and I shared many laughs. His quick humor, robust smile, and deep laughter were always heartwarming. We referred to each other as brother and sister and I will truly miss my dear friend. I pray that strength and comfort will continue to surround your family.

*In the spirit of Christian Love,
(Mrs.) Margie Wells*

Margie Wells - August 07, 2020 at 11:26 PM

JW

“ *The sad news of Clarence’s death was a shock to me and I wanted to let you know how sorry I am to hear it. I wish to extend my sincere condolences to you and the members of your family. Clarence will be missed. He was genuinely loved and respected by all who knew him. My prayers are with you.*



Jacquelyne White-Jarrells - August 07, 2020 at 08:33 PM

HJ

Uncle Clarence you will missed. But the memories are forever etched in my ❤️

Helen Thompson Johnson - August 09, 2020 at 08:09 AM

SH

“ God speed Mr. Wilkerson, you will be missed. We have worked together for more than 25 years making our neighborhoods safe and livable.

My thanks for being such a community champion for the Lake Sunset neighborhood and the City. We greatly appreciate all the time, talent and experience you donated to so many neighborhood causes. The love story of you and Mrs. Wilkerson, your girlfriend, has always been inspirational to me.

We will miss your wisdom and insight. I know our City is a much better place because of you and Mrs. Wilkerson. I know you have a special place in the kingdom of our Lord. Rest in peace.

My condolences to Mrs. Wilkerson, Clarice and Clarence, Jr. and families. Your husband and dad will be missed. May your wonderful memories of him help you as you travel the road of grief. Please be sure to take care of each other and be gentle with yourselves. Grief impacts all of us differently. Keeping you all in my prayers.

*Susan Denton Harris
Assistant Director, Communications & Neighborhood Relations
City of Orlando*

Susan Harris - August 07, 2020 at 04:31 PM

GW

“ Greg & Patty Walz purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Clarence O. Wilkerson, Sr..



Greg & Patty Walz - August 07, 2020 at 02:39 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Clarence O. Wilkerson, Sr..*



August 07, 2020 at 01:53 PM



“ *My heartfelt prayers and sympathy for your loss. Clarence always had a smile on his face, loved to laugh and made me laugh. Words cannot express how I really feel. May God be with the family in this time.*

Patty Hudson

Patty Hudson - August 07, 2020 at 12:56 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Clarence O. Wilkerson, Sr..*



August 07, 2020 at 11:57 AM



“ *Praying for Aunt Mildred and the family! Uncle Clarence was a gentle giant whenever he graced us with his humble presence! Jazmin truly loved her Uncle Clarence!*



Joetta Walton - August 06, 2020 at 09:29 PM

GA

Our prayers are with the wilkerson's family may God continue to give them strengt Clarence will truly be missed. Gloria Anthony and Family.

Gloria Anthony - August 07, 2020 at 08:02 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Clarence O. Wilkerson, Sr..*



August 06, 2020 at 09:00 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Clarence O. Wilkerson, Sr..*



August 06, 2020 at 12:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Clarence O. Wilkerson, Sr..*



August 05, 2020 at 02:28 PM

EW

“ *Our heartfelt condolences to the family during this period of sorrow. May the Lord shadow you with peace throughout this difficult transition. To God be the glory.*

Edgar & Diane Williams - August 04, 2020 at 11:08 PM

BE

His eyes is on the Sparrow He'll watch over ypu our condolences to the family Uncle Bobby G Hunt

Bobby G.Hunt Elberton,Ga. - August 06, 2020 at 08:16 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Clarence O. Wilkerson, Sr..*



August 03, 2020 at 04:51 PM