

Active Pallbearers

Frederick D. Morris, Jr. Sherwin Williams, Jr.
Huddleston Douglas Womack
Archie Eugene Dove James Solomon

Honorary Pallbearers

Elmer R. O'Neal James O'Neal William H. O'Neal
Frederick Douglas Morris, III
Gillie O'Neal George Robert Johnny Gibson
James Booker Ralph O'Neal, Sr.

Flower Bearers

Family & Friends

Acknowledgement

The family of the late Lewis O'Neal, Jr., wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many comforting messages, floral tributes, prayers and other expressions of kindness and concern evidenced at this time in thought and deed. We give a special thank you to members of the United Black Christian Clergy of Seattle for their support. May God continue to bless each of you!

The O'Neal Family



Service by Serenity
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Homegoing Celebration
of

Bro. Lewis O'Neal, Jr.

Sunrise
June 20, 1934

Sunset
February 10, 2015

10 O'Clock AM
Monday, February 23, 2015



True Vine Missionary Baptist Church
7817 S 125th St. • Seattle, WA 98178

Lawrence R. Willis, Pastor
Bishop Jessie Ogburn Officiant

Obituary

Lewis O'Neal Jr. was born June 20, 1934 in Clarksville, TN, to the late Lewis and Lillie Virgie (nee Lisenbee) O'Neal. He transitioned from this life February 10, 2015 after his morning prayer, in his wife, Dr. Mary O'Neal's arms. Lewis was the 4th of eight children. The family later relocated to Cincinnati, OH where he graduated from Woodward High School.

Lewis was drafted in the United States Army in 1953. He served for a total of 8 years. His 2 ½ years in active duty were spent as a transport specialist and an infantryman. After he was granted an Honorable discharge in 1955, he went on to serve another 5 ½ years in the Reserves. Lewis was awarded a National Defense Service Medal as well as a Good Conduct Medal. He was very proud of the time he served and protected our country.

Once he returned home to Cincinnati, Lewis furthered his education and received a certification in Engineering with a specialty in broiler equipment. Upon completion of school, he received a job at the University of Cincinnati, where he worked until leaving Ohio and heading west. Around this time he also found pride in stepping into parenthood, eventually fathering seven lovely daughters.

In the early 1960's Lewis travelled across the country finding a new home in Seattle, WA. He began employment as Head Engineer for Seattle Public Schools, where he worked for 38 years, retiring in 1999. He enjoyed his time working for the school district guiding young students in a positive way.

In 1988 Lewis married a longtime friend, who became his lifelong love Mary Jane Williams. Through this union he became a father to 2 sons. In 1989 Lewis and Mary opened up Children's Corner Learning Center. Their hearts were deeply embedded in this business which stayed open for 20 years. They prided themselves on teaching the children about Jesus Christ and his love. He loved serving the Lord. He was a member of First A.M.E. Church and sang in the Chancellor Choir for many years.

In 2009 Lewis and Mary started the ministry Jesus is the Only Way to God Congregation. They held a weekly worship service, provided housing for men newly released from prison and passed out food daily to those in need. In 2012 they felt called to move on from their ministry and began to evangelize all over the greater Seattle Area.

In his spare time Lewis loved spending time with family and friends. He loved gardening, sports and watching horse races. He also loved animals, especially his dog Pure N' Heart who was always with him. "June" as he was lovingly called by his family touched many lives throughout the city and will be greatly missed by all of those who knew and loved him.

In addition to his parents, Lewis was preceded in death by 2 sisters Georgia B. Thomas and Mary Wyatt.

He leaves to cherish his memories his wife Dr. Mary O'Neal. 7 Daughters: Joyce Virgie (Walter) Collier; Darlisa (Leroy) Anderson both of Cincinnati, OH. Rhonda (John) O'Neal-Chinn, Marie O'Neal, Bonita O'Neal-Winters and Shawna O'Neal all of Seattle, WA. Julia O'Neal of Portland, OR. 2 Sons: Frederick Morris Jr. of Arlington, WA and Sherwin Williams, Jr. of Yelm, WA. Siblings: Elmer (Helen) O'Neal of Detroit, MI; Ralph O'Neal, Sr. of Mary, South Carolina; William H. O'Neal, James (Doris) O'Neal and Pastor Dorothy (Thomas) Jett all of Cincinnati, OH; He also leaves behind 15 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great grandchildren, a host of cousins, (like Gillie O'Neal and George Robert); nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Jesus is the Only Way to God

Processional.....
Opening Prayer.....Pastor Michael Melonson
Selection.....Little Drummer Boy.....Sis. Sandra
Scripture Reading.....John 3:3-5.....Bro. Billy Mitchell

Special Reflection from Siblings:

Mr. Elmer O'Neal · Mr. James O'Neal · Mr. Ralph O'Neal Sr.
Pastor Dorothy Jett · Mr. William H. O'Neal

Obituary.....Read silently with soft
music.....

Special Reflections:

Sis. Rose Booker · Mr. and Mrs. Gibson
Mr. and Mrs. Washington · Bro. James Booker

Selection.....My Living Will Not Be In Vain.....Pastor Patrinell Wright
Children's Remembrances.....Lewis' Children
Opening Remarks and Remembrances.....(Please limit to 1 minute).....
Selection.....Great is Thy Faithfulness.....Sis. Sandra

Special Reflections:

Mrs. Moore (Seattle Public Schools)
Lieutenant John Hayes (Seattle Police Dept.)
Sis. Mattie Williams

Transition from Physical World to Spiritual World.....Minister Ella Izabela Byrne
United Black Christian Clergy of Greater Seattle.....Pastor Lawrence R. Willis
Selection.....You must be Born Again.....Pastor Patrinell Wright
Jesus Truth.....Adrian Fortman
Eulogy.....Bishop Jessie Ogburn (Cousin)
Call to Christ.....Dr. Mary O'Neal
Selection.....You Must Be Born Again.....The Children of God
Selection.....Total Praise.....Sis. Sandra

- Interment -
Tahoma National Cemetery
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