



## Deacon Wilbert White

May 22, 1932 - August 5, 2023

Wilbert White was born in Collinsville, MS, on Sunday, May 22, 1932, the third child to the late Lemman and Eletha (Lewis) White.

Wilbert proudly served in the United States Army during the Korean War. His dedication and commitment to his country were unwavering. After his military service, he married the love-of-his-life, Marcielean Davis of Collinsville, MS, on June 1, 1955.

Wilbert was a dedicated servant of God. He was called into the Deaconate Ministry in 1964, at Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church in Collinsville, MS. He faithfully served in the Deacon Ministry for more than sixty years.

In 1968, Deacon White moved his family to Harrisburg, PA. Together they became faithful members of St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, and also together were employed by Hershey Foods Corporation. After twenty-seven years of “chocolate,” he and his wife decided to retire together. Once retired, he enjoyed serving his community by working with Meals on Wheels for many, many years.

Deacon White was a devout worshipper and a founding member of the HOPE Community Baptist Church. In 2015, together with his wife, they united in Christian fellowship with the Goodwin Memorial Baptist Church. As his health

declined, he still wanted to worship with his church family. It brought joy to his heart whenever members would come to his home to serve communion or just to sit for a spell.

On Saturday, August 5, 2023, at his Harrisburg home, Deacon White peacefully passed away at ninety-one years of age. Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers, Edward, Prentiss and Jasper White.

Deacon Wilbert White is survived by his loving wife of sixty-eight years, Marcielean White, and their four children, Patricia Ann (Milton) Woods of Austin, TX, Reverend Wilbert DeWayne of Phoenix, AZ, Angela Denise of Harrisburg, PA, and Sheila (Darryl) Grayson of Springfield, OH. He also leaves behind ten grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Deacon White will be remembered for his unwavering faith, his commitment to serving God and his dedication to his family. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CLICK ON THE SHARE A MEMORY TAB TO POST VIDEOS, SHARE MEMORIES, CONDOLENCES, REFLECTIONS OR SIMPLY LEAVE YOUR NAME.

# Cemetery Details

## Blue Ridge Memorial Gardens

6701 Jonestown Rd  
Harrisburg, PA 17112

# Previous Events

## Flower Delivery

AUG 18. 8:30 AM (ET)

Goodwin Memorial Baptist Church  
2447 Green Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17110

## Viewing

AUG 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Goodwin Memorial Baptist Church  
2447 Green Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17110

## Service

AUG 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

Goodwin Memorial Baptist Church  
2447 Green Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17110



# Tribute Wall

AR

“ *Angie and Family. So sorry for the loss. Cherish all the fond memories of him. "To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord" May he rest in Sweet Paradise Aylea Richardson*



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**Aylea Richardson** - August 18, 2023 at 09:51 AM

JA

“ *Joanna Ardrey lit a candle in memory of Deacon Wilbert White*



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**Joanna Ardrey** - August 17, 2023 at 12:11 AM

JA

“ *Angie, So sorry for the loss of your Pop. Just lean on all the great memories that you and your family have made. Mr White had a great personality and a contagious laugh. He will be missed. God has obtained another great soldier. Mr Wilbert, Job well done rip!!!! Praying for peace and comfort for the family in jesus name Amen Joanna Ardrey and Larry*

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**Joanna Ardrey** - August 17, 2023 at 12:11 AM

LW

“ *Lessie White lit a candle in memory of Deacon Wilbert White*



Lessie White - August 16, 2023 at 10:50 PM

FT

*My friend, brother, and mentor, I am so sad to see you go, but God knows best. I will miss my visits to your home to listen to your wisdom and knowledge. You had a peacefulness and gentle soul. I enjoyed walking with you as deacons together. To my dear sister, Marcielean, family. Rest on the memories. My blessings to you all.*

Frank A. Turner - August 17, 2023 at 11:43 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Deacon Wilbert White.*



August 16, 2023 at 07:42 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Deacon Wilbert White.*



August 15, 2023 at 10:09 AM

RP

“ *Ruby Hood Pearson lit a candle in memory of Deacon Wilbert White*



Ruby Hood Pearson - August 14, 2023 at 11:35 PM

RP

*LORD is Our Shepherd may He shower you with His love and give you PEACE love Cousin Ruby, Mary, Velma, Johnnie, James, Tiffany, Aaron and family love you all praying for you hope ❤️❤️💖💖 in JESUS NAME*

Ruby Hood Pearson - August 14, 2023 at 11:38 PM

RH

“ *Ruby Hood-Pearson sent a virtual gift in memory of Deacon Wilbert White*



Ruby Hood-Pearson - August 14, 2023 at 03:15 PM

RP

*Sorry thankful all the love and support from Cousin Wilbert we love you all praying for you 💖 children of Cousin Mary M Donald Hood*

Ruby Hood Pearson - August 14, 2023 at 11:29 PM

FT

“ Frank A Turner purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Deacon Wilbert White.



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**Frank A Turner** - August 14, 2023 at 12:54 PM

RC

“ To the White Family, Sending condolences, love and prayers to you during this difficult time. Mr. White was a joy to be around when we came to visit. We will miss his conversations and hugs. He was well taken care of by his family. May memories of your loved one bring you peace and reassure you that love endures forever.



*Regene and James Cornelius*

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**Regene Cornelius** - August 12, 2023 at 01:53 PM

LT

*Thinking of the family and praying for God's comfort and peace at this difficult time .*

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**Lessie Thames-White** - August 14, 2023 at 10:19 PM

JM

“ Dearest Patricia, i am so sorry to hear of your father's passing. My prayers condolences to you and your family. May your father rest with the lord.



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**Jimetta Matthews** - August 11, 2023 at 02:21 AM

FW

“ Remembering Mr. White with love and affection. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family along with my deepest condolences.  
*Florence Jean Wright*

Florence Jean Wright - August 10, 2023 at 10:29 PM

MH

“ Mary Ann Thames Hearn lit a candle in memory of Deacon Wilbert White



Mary Ann Thames Hearn - August 10, 2023 at 09:02 PM

WG

“ Wilhelmina Lewis Griffin sent a virtual gift in memory of Deacon Wilbert White



Wilhelmina Lewis Griffin - August 10, 2023 at 06:18 PM

WG

*To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Cousin Wilbert rest peacefully in God's presence. Praying that your family will find comfort in the Word of God and knowing that others love and are praying for you.*

Wilhelmina Lewis Griffin - August 10, 2023 at 06:26 PM

FT

*My dear friend, brother, & mentor, I am so sad to see you go, but God knows best. It was a pleasure to walk with you as Deacons together. I will miss the times I would visit your home and set and listen to your wisdom and knowledge. You had a peace and gentleness about you! You were always in self-control. May your soul rest in peace forever more. To my sister in Christ, Mrs. Marcielean, & family. Rest on the memories and find peace and comfort knowing he is with our Lord! My blessings to you all.*

**FRANK A TURNER** - August 14, 2023 at 01:52 PM

CL

“*Christine Lewis lit a candle in memory of Deacon Wilbert White*



**Christine Lewis** - August 10, 2023 at 03:23 PM

CL

*Praying that you will feel the comfort of God realizing that your loved one is now resting in His presence. May the peace of God that surpasses all understanding be with you all at this difficult time of losing your loved one.*

*Daughter of Warner Lewis  
Love and Prayers*

**Christine Lewis** - August 10, 2023 at 03:28 PM

CL

*Christine Lewis  
31 minutes ago*

*Praying that you will feel the comfort of God realizing that your loved one is now resting in His presence. May the peace of God that surpasses all understanding be with you all at this difficult time of losing your loved one.*

*Daughter of Warner Lewis  
Love and Prayers*

**Christine Lewis** - August 10, 2023 at 04:00 PM

JS

“ *Cousin Wilbert White will be truly missed as we continue to move forward. His friendly, personable demeanor was always displayed as he would sit and chat at the reunions with my mom, cousin Willie B. I remember some of the humorous stories he would tell about the relatives who had passed on. We love Angie and all his children who have so faithfully cared for him in his latter years.*

Joan Simpson - August 09, 2023 at 04:06 PM

MT

“ *To the family, It was truly a pleasure to meet you all. My deepest condolences and may the creator continue to comfort you all in this time. In my prayers.*  
*Maria Torres (Grane Hospice)*



Maria torres - August 09, 2023 at 10:53 AM



“ *To the family I extend my deepest sympathy to all cousin Wilbert was truly a man of God to know him was to love him. I'll miss the conversations wwe use to have.may god comfort and strengthen you during this difficult time REST IN PARADISE COUSIN. KEEPING YOU ALL IN MY PRAYERS hey COUSIN you'll always be in my heart Georgia (sis)*



Georgia Chisolm - August 08, 2023 at 10:58 AM

HW

“ *Hazel Ruth Wilson lit a candle in memory of Deacon Wilbert White*



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**Hazel Ruth Wilson** - August 07, 2023 at 09:41 PM