



## Willie Ferguson "Fergie"

April 4, 1943 - March 18, 2023

Willie Ferguson was born Sunday, April 4, 1943, in Rock Hill, South Carolina. He was the eldest son of the late William Ferguson and Diane Nichols-Ferguson.

"Fergie," as he was affectionately known and called by most, was a 1962 graduate of Steelton-Highspire High School in Steelton, Pennsylvania. Upon graduation, he served in the US Army for three and a half years. While in the Army, he was stationed in Hawaii where he dominated on the football field. During his working career, Fergie was an employee of Bethlehem Steel (Pennsylvania Technologies) where he retired.

In his leisure time, he enjoyed gardening, golfing, listening to jazz, cooking out with family and friends and working out at the local gym.

On Saturday, March 18, 2023, Willie Ferguson, at seventy-nine years of age, peacefully passed away surrounded by his wife and three generations of his offspring at the Penn State Hershey Medical Center, Hershey, PA.

He leaves to celebrate his life and legacy his beloved wife, Eloise Chisholm-Ferguson; his children, Patrice Chisholm of Rockville, MD, Kimberly Ashton (Charles) of Owings Mills, MD, Troy Robinson (Kimberley) of Atlanta, GA, Mikalyn Robinson of Steelton, PA, Lissa Ferguson of Harrisburg, PA, and

Erika Hill (Gordon) of Caye Caulker, Belize; his brother, Gary Ferguson (Joy) of York, PA; nine grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren, other family members and friends.

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.

# Previous Events

## Flower Delivery

APR 1. 9:00 AM (ET)

Wallace Funeral Directors Inc.  
106 Agnes St  
Harrisburg, PA 17104  
(717) 939-9950  
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<https://www.wallacefuneraldirectorsinc.com>

## Visitation

APR 1. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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## Memorial Service

APR 1. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Wallace Funeral Directors created a Webcast in memory of Willie Ferguson "Fergie" ”

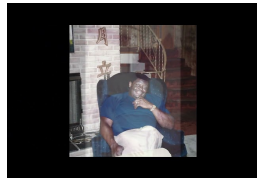


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**Wallace Funeral Directors** - April 01, 2023 at 12:15 PM

EH

“ 1 file added to the album In Memory of Willie Ferguson ”



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**Erika Hill** - April 13, 2023 at 04:05 PM

AM

“ May the peace and comfort of God that surpasses all understanding abide and dwell with the Family members " at a time such as this." God sees, God knows, God cares, and GOD's love will sustain you. THE HANNA FAMILY(s) of Steelton & Harrisburg vicinity ”

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**Anita Hanna Matthews** - April 01, 2023 at 12:11 PM

KB

“ *What can I say, he's a gentle giant that always was very kind and generous to everyone. I remember the first time I met him and we shook hands. The man's demeanor and kindness shown through right away. I felt like part of the family and will always remember the times I spent at your home. You'll truly be missed and I'll see you again around the bend. Keith.*

Keith Anthony Burton - March 29, 2023 at 07:24 PM

JT

“ *Jocelyn, and Vincent from Houston Texas purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Willie Ferguson "Fergie".*



Jocelyn, and Vincent from Houston Texas - March 29, 2023 at 07:01 PM

LR

“ *Lucille Ray lit a candle in memory of Willie Ferguson "Fergie"*



Lucille Ray - March 28, 2023 at 03:57 PM

ES

“ *To the Ferguson family Gary God bless all of you keep your heads up your hearts open and let God comfort you in these times from the class of 76 and Corbitt family*



Earlie a Corbitt SR - March 27, 2023 at 10:27 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Willie Ferguson "Fergie".*



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March 26, 2023 at 10:41 AM



“ *Marcy McArthur Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Willie Ferguson "Fergie"*



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**Marcy McArthur Mitchell** - March 25, 2023 at 10:29 PM



“ *WILLIE - YOU WERE MY LIFELONG FRIEND AND I WILL NEVER FORGET YOU. I REMEMBER ALL THE GREAT TIMES WE WERE ELBOW TO ELBOW AS A TEAM IN CLASS AND ON THE FIELD WORKING OUR OPPONETS TO TEARS AT FOOTBALL AND TRACK. YOU WERE THE BEST AT IT ALL! ELOISE, WE LOVE YOU EQUILY. PEACE AND LOVE BE WITH YOU ALWAYS. BILL 'SATCH' BECK*

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**bill beck** - March 24, 2023 at 01:39 PM



*To Weeshe (Eloise) and the Ferguson Family, Our prayers and heartfelt sympathy is extended to you for peace and comfort in knowing that friends care. Sincerely, John and Rosetta Archie*

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**John A and Rosetta Archie** - March 29, 2023 at 12:59 AM

JS

“ I SAT IN A DOWNPOUR IN THE FALL OF 1961 , AT COTTAGE HILL , WITH JESSE EVANS AND HIS FATHER AS BIG WILLIE LED THE STEAMROLLERS TO A 38-0 WIN OVER OLLIE ROSS LED WILLIAM PENN.....I'LL NEVER FORGET IT.....HE WAS MY FELLOW STEELWORKER , A GREAT ATHLETE , AND FRIEND . REST IN PEACE , BIG FERGIE !

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**JOHN L. SAVAGE** - March 24, 2023 at 11:38 AM

KE

“ To my family, my aunt and cousins, my sincere condolences to you all on the passing of Fergie. He was such a special man. So sweet and gentle and loved his family so very much. He always made you laugh every time you saw him which I loved and will miss about him. Please know that you all are in my prayers and in my thoughts and I love you all!! I am here if you need me for anything!! ❤️❤️

Sincerely,  
Kendra

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**Kendra Edwards** - March 23, 2023 at 07:59 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Willie Ferguson "Fergie".



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March 23, 2023 at 07:52 PM

LF

“ Laurie McKinney-Stroble & Family lit a candle  
in memory of Willie Ferguson "Fergie" ”



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**Laurie McKinney-Stroble & Family** - March 23, 2023 at 03:57 PM



“ Willie was a gentle giant and a great friend will be greatly missed.  
Julius Gathers Jr Woodbridge Va ”

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**Julius Gathers** - March 23, 2023 at 11:54 AM

CG

“ Crystal Gumby lit a candle in memory of Willie  
Ferguson "Fergie" ”



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**Crystal Gumby** - March 23, 2023 at 07:50 AM

KK

“ Fergie was a good and kind man. I'll miss our discussions about  
which part of our old bodies was not cooperating that day ”

*Keith Kerns. Class of 62*

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**Keith Kerns** - March 22, 2023 at 11:21 PM

PH

“ So sorry for your loss. I was a classmate of Fergie and you. He was a great guy that everyone loved, he will be missed. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.

*Phil Hobbs*

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**Philip Hobbs** - March 22, 2023 at 07:21 PM

DW

*My condolences go out to the family Is from Dale Washington*

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**Darryl Washington** - March 23, 2023 at 12:05 AM

TK

*So sorry for your loss. BIG Ferg was a wonderful man , great neighbor n friend*

*The Kepps  
Grace n Terri*

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**Terri kepp** - March 23, 2023 at 10:11 AM

MV

“ *Classmate of Fergies, never met a man more laid back and easy going, was a lot of fun to be around. This is for Eloise, may God comfort you as no one else can at this sad time. Mike Venesevich*

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**Mike Venesevich** - March 22, 2023 at 06:24 PM

JN

“ *I worked at the mill with Fergie, he was a gentle giant. Use to watch him and Ray C. Turn rails with one hand. Great Man.*

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**Jim Newton** - March 22, 2023 at 04:27 PM

HA

“ *Worked with Fergie at the Mill great guy.*

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**Harvey** - March 22, 2023 at 02:28 PM

LH

“ Love, Light and Healing Energy... We Love You Big Ferg!



LaKisha Holmes - March 22, 2023 at 01:25 PM

JE

“ My sincere condolences to "Fergie's" family and all of his close friends. I remember Fergie (albeit a few years behind him in school) as one of the Rollers' gentle giants who was a pillar of fear on the gridiron, but easy going off the field. RIP Roller and may God Bless you always.

JESSE - March 22, 2023 at 11:30 AM

JF

Rest in Peace , Fergie. I too worked with him in the Rail Finishing Mill. Always liked and respected him. My condolences to his wife, family and friends. You lost a great man.

John Fasnacht - March 23, 2023 at 05:24 PM



Big Fergie we called him. Always smiling going to miss you Big Fellow. May GOD give your family strength. I know he will be miss dearly.

Clifford Lawton

Clifford Lawton - March 24, 2023 at 05:35 PM

MC

Eloise and Family, my sincere condolences in passing of Fergie, May God continue Blessing you . Mamie Chisholm Edmonds, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii

Mamie ChisholmEdmonds - March 25, 2023 at 05:33 AM

BA

*see you LATER MY BROTHER ,RIP. Barry.*

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**barry** - March 25, 2023 at 09:27 AM