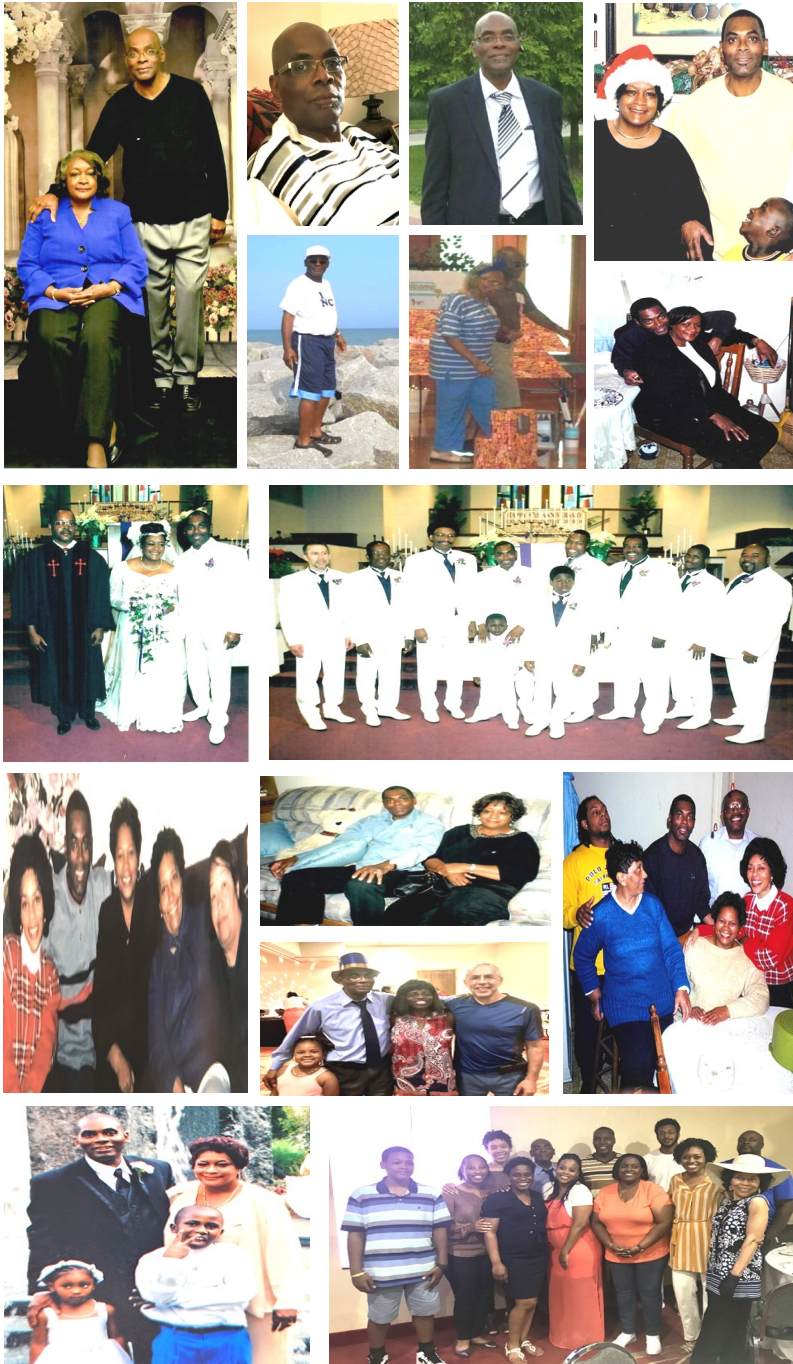


# *A Legacy of Love*



## **Pall Bearers**

Johnathan Ferguson      Rico Lowery  
Sunny Robinson      Patrick Slade  
Brian White      Richard White

## **Flower Bearers**

Family and Friends

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## **Miss Me, But Let Me Go**

When I come to the end of the road  
And the sun has set for me  
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room.  
Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little—but not too long  
And not with your head bowed low.  
Remember the love that we once shared,  
Miss me—but let me go.

For this is a journey that we all must take  
And each must go alone.  
It's all a part of the Master's plan,  
A step on the road to home.

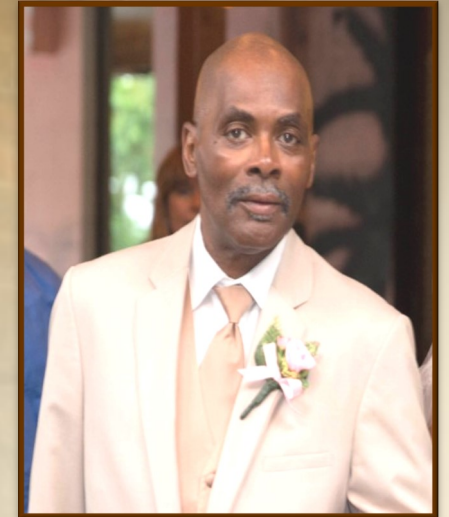
When you are lonely and sick of heart  
Go to the friends we know  
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds.  
Miss Me—But Let me Go!

~ Christina Rossetti

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# *Celebration of Life*



## **Deacon Alvirgil "Al" Duckett**

May 12, 1949 ~ October 22, 2023

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Tuesday, October 31, 2023

1:00 PM

Friendship Missionary Baptist Church  
1317 Cherry Street  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina  
Reverend Lizzie P. James, Officiant  
Reverend Gary Walker, Eulogist

## His Story

On October 22, 2023, surrounded by his devoted family, we bid farewell to Alvirgil Duckett, a cherished resident of Walkertown, NC. Born May 12, 1949, in Winston-Salem, NC, Alvirgil was the beloved son of the late Nettie and Robert Duckett, Sr., and was lovingly raised by the late Lois “Marie” and David Robinson.

In 1967, Alvirgil embarked on a new journey, moving to Pittsburgh, PA. In 1971, Al married Sandra Hardin and the two of them shared two daughters, Tonia and Treanice. In 1981, Al met Joyce Bolt and the two of them shared twin girls, Anita and Regina.

As a pioneer member of one of the first groups of black paramedics for the City of Pittsburgh, Al dedicated his career to saving lives and serving his community. After many years of work as a first responder, Al returned to his roots.

In 1996, Al came back to his hometown of Winston-Salem, NC, where he embarked on a new chapter in his life. Al was a dedicated husband to his beloved Ann, whom he reconnected with in 1998 and married in 2001.

In 2003, Alvirgil began a new chapter in his career as a professional freight driver, known for his impeccable sense of direction, which he generously shared with those he met along the way. In 2020, at the age of 70, Alvirgil retired from his dedicated career as a professional freight driver, leaving behind a legacy of hard work and dedication.

In addition to his family, Alvirgil found solace in his faith and served as a Deacon at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church in Winston-Salem, NC.

## Order of Service

<b>Processional</b>	Congregation Standing	
	<b>Family Visitation</b>	
	12:30 PM ~ 1:00 PM	
<b>Selection</b>	“It Is Well”	Choir
<b>Scripture Readings</b>		
	<i>Old Testament</i> Psalm 23	Rev. Zella Johnson
	<i>New Testament</i> I Corinthians 5:1	Dea. Tony Tanner
<b>Prayer</b>	Rev. Gilbert Banks	
<b>Words of Comfort</b>	Dea. Raymond Carter	
<b>Selection</b>	Rev. Lizzie P. James	
<b>Remarks</b>	Dea. Cleavell Roseboro, Chair	
<b>Church Resolution</b>	Sister Katrina Fonville	
<b>Reading of Obituary</b>	Ms. Amira Johnson	
<b>Family Reflections</b>	Tonia White, Erin White, Ariana Glover, Joshua Carter, Jeffrey “Sonny” Robinson	
<b>Selection</b>	“Anchored”	Sister Pam Gibson
<b>Eulogy</b>	Rev. Gary Walker Pastor, Redeemed Missionary Baptist Church	
<b>Recessional</b>	“I Got Somewhere to Lay My Head” Dea. Tony Tanner	
<b>Entombment</b>	Gardens of Memory	
<b>Repast</b>	Church Fellowship Hall	

## His Story Continued

He shared his spiritual wisdom and guidance with everyone he met, reflecting his deep sense of faith and desire to serve the Lord.

Left to cherish Al’s memory are his wife, Ann; his daughters, Tonia (Richard) White of Conyers, GA, Treanice Duckett of Greensboro, NC, Anita Duckett (Patrick Slade) and Regina (Rico) Lowry, both of Pittsburgh, PA; his sons, Micah (Jameka) and Joshua Carter, eighteen grandchildren, one great-grandchild; sisters, Edna Morgan, Dorothy Johnson, Barbara (Hal) Guess, Angela (Randy) Seigert, brothers; Jeffrey “Sonny” (Bridgett), Soloman, Kim (Michelle), and Steffon (Erica) Robinson; sister-in-law, Brenda Carter, and brothers-in-law, Raymond and John Carter; nieces and nephews, Mae Morgan, Tony Morgan, Lashonda Morgan, Jack Johnson, Jr., Chu’a Al-Dey Johnson, Lorrie Guess, Charmain Jones, and DeJarvis Duckett; special family, Angela Siegert, Kimothy Robinson; and a host of other relatives, friends and brothers and sisters in Christ.

Al is preceded in death by his biological mother and father, Nettie and Robert Duckett, Sr., and the loving parents who raised him, Lois “Marie” and David Robinson; sisters, Elsie Chrisp and Beverly Robinson; brothers, George Cash, Robert Duckett, Jr., David, and Dwight Robinson.

Al's legacy is one of love, strength, humor, and devotion. He leaves behind an abundance of memories that will be cherished by all who knew him. While he may no longer be with us in person, may his spirit continue to guide and inspire us, reminding us of the importance of family, faith, and unwavering love.