



Ozzie Lee Williams

March 11, 2020

THE LIFE, LOVE AND LEGACY OF OZZIE LEE WILLIAMS

Ozzie Lee Williams departed his life peacefully on March 11, 2020 surrounded by family and friends. He was born on April 1, 1951 in Prentiss, Mississippi, one of seven children to the union of the late Isdock Williams, Sr., and the late Katherine Knight Williams. Ozzie is survived by the absolute love of his life, his wife Brenda Brock Williams, daughters Isaka R. Williams and Eraka Williams DeLarge (Wayne), a grandson Wayne Michael DeLarge III, a sister Dorothy Grimble and a brother Dwight Williams (Tessie). He is also survived by five sister in-laws, Carolyn Mack, Mevelyn Simmons (Vernell), Sharon Brock, Vandilyn Lewis (Henry) and Shirley Williams, one brother in law, Ronnie Brock (Faye), one aunt, Christine Norvell, one uncle Olie Johnson one Godson Jarrod Wills and a host of other relatives and friends. He was educated in the New Orleans Public School system, graduating high school at George Washington Carver Senior High class of 1969. He attended Dillard University earning degree in education, graduating in 1973. He was initiated into Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated through The Beta Phi Chapter at Dillard University on December 11, 1970. Ozzie also earned a Master's Degree in Administration and Supervision from Southern University in Baton Rouge. Ozzie was employed for 37 years as a teacher and coach. In his early years of employment, Ozzie was very active with the United Teachers of New Orleans Union. Ozzie was a very humble, loving and dedicated man to his family. He most enjoyed spending special moments with his grandson who

was the joy of his life. Ozzie was active in the Franklin Avenue Baptist Church Ushers ministry until his health began to fail. Ozzie was a very special brother, brother in law, uncle and a friend to many. He will be remembered by most as the most positive, inspiring, kind person you would meet, often times being the voice of wisdom in most stressful situations. Ozzie loved to cook, hunt, fish and most of all entertain college friends and family at home. He also loved to travel with his high school travel group, "Circle of Friends". He was also employed by the City of New Orleans in many capacities, most notably as a Mentor/Counselor at Milne Boys Home and a supervisor at the Youth Study Center. Preceding him in death is his mother Katherine Knight Williams, father Isdock Williams, Sr., brothers, Master Lewis (ML) Williams, Isdock Williams, Jr., Ray Anthony Williams 2 sisters Joycelyn Williams Jackson and Veronica Williams. He is also preceded in death by his Father in law and Mother in-law Van and Elma Brock.

A viewing has been scheduled from 8:00 am until 10:00am Friday March 20, 2020 with funeral services promptly starting at 10:00am. At Franklin Avenue Baptist Church, 8282 I-10 Service Road, New Orleans, LA. Interment will be at Mount Olivet Mausoleum and Cemetery 4000 Norman Mayer Avenue at Gentilly Blvd., New Orleans, LA. Family and friends are invited to attend. Also invited are Carver Rams, Retired Teachers and Coaches Association, Milne Boys Home, Youth Study Center, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., City of New Orleans Law Department, City of New Orleans Police Department, Jack & Jill of America and Franklin Avenue Church Usher Board.

In lieu of flowers, please make all donations to the American Heart Association in the name of Ozzie Lee Williams. https://www2.heart.org/site/TR;jsessionid=00000000.app30134a?px=18485090&pg=personal&fr_id=3930&et=QiR8_RT0LmslhYrjrAuUA&s_tafId=1497777&NONCE_TOKEN=2FF616C21D320ABBB65DD415B460D40F

Arrangements by D. W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 7411 Chef Menteur Highway.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Olivet Cemetery

4000 Norman Mayer Blvd.
New Orleans, LA 70122

Previous Events

Service

MAR 13. 10:00 AM (CT)

Franklin Avenue Baptist Church
8282 I-10 Service Rd. South
New Orleans, LA

Visitation

MAR 20. 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Franklin Avenue Baptist Church
8282 I-10 Service Rd. South
New Orleans, LA

Tribute Wall

BW

“ Soror Brenda and family,

May the grace of our Almighty God bring peace and comfort to you.

Soror Brenda Brent Williams

Brenda Brent Williams - April 26, 2020 at 01:30 PM

MJ

“ *May his soul rest in perpetual peace. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God be with you and your family. From Mark Jideonwo.*

Mark Jideonwo - March 22, 2020 at 11:17 AM

SH

“ *Dear Brenda, Isaka and Eraka, my sincere condolences. Thank you for sharing the joy and warmth of your family. Your father was a kind and caring individual. I will cherish the warmth and memories of being with you all as we shared wonderful meals and laughter. May the love, peace and comfort of the Holy Trinity keep you all during this most difficult time.*

Sharon Hutchinson

Sharon Hutchinson - March 20, 2020 at 12:38 PM

VG

“ *I would like to extend my condolences to the William's Family. Ozzie and his wife was so supportive to my Family in our time of sorrow. We will always remember you in our prays. LOVE Vera Gougisha and the Family.*

VERA GOUGISHA - March 19, 2020 at 11:44 PM

JR

“ *Brenda and family*
I have been blessed knowing you and Ozzie at Dillard University and all the reunions afterwards. Your God inspired union has been an inspiration to me and I am sure many more. My prayer for you and family is to let God's love shine on you give you the family the strength and peace that only he is capable.
With deepest sympathy and love,
Judy G. Riley

Judy Riley - March 19, 2020 at 11:03 PM

SL

“ *Mrs. Brenda Williams,*
My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. Such a special man...

Shannon LaBruzza, RN CWCA
Ochsner Kenner Wound Center

shannon labruzzo - March 19, 2020 at 07:48 PM

DB

“ *Donald Burkhalter lit a candle in memory of*
Ozzie Lee Williams



Donald Burkhalter - March 19, 2020 at 05:58 PM

DB

“ *Ozzie "Pig" William's a very dear friend and brother. Heaven has gain a true angel. Rest well my brother. Donald Burkhalter*

Donald Burkhalter - March 19, 2020 at 05:58 PM

SW

“ Shirley Williams purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ozzie Lee Williams.



Shirley Williams - March 18, 2020 at 06:03 PM

AP

“ Ozzie would always lecture me about spending too much time at the Peacock with Judy Gail & Beast. He was always looking out for our best interest and would not hesitate to say it's time to get back to campus. Can see your smiling face now.....💕💕

Avis Bethancourt Pickens - March 16, 2020 at 05:58 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ozzie Lee Williams.



March 16, 2020 at 04:43 PM

SH

“ Brenda Isaka and Eraka we are very sorry for your loss. I have known Brenda and Ozzie for over 40 years and cherish the wonderful memories I have with them. Ozzie was the consummate caring gentleman. He was fun and always was kind and welcoming. Although he has gone to be with his Lord we know that one day we will all be together again
Love to each of you!

Stan & Karen Howat - March 15, 2020 at 05:19 PM