



## William Walker Jr.

September 3, 2023

William J. Walker, Jr., was born to the union of William Walker, Sr. and Lillie Mae Armster Walker on August 24, 1951, and used his phenomenal musical talent to make a joyful noise unto the Lord until his passing on September 3, 2023. He is survived by his loving wife, Maxine Williams Walker and his siblings: Patrick Walker, Dwight Walker, Arthur Walker, and Michael Ulmer. He also leaves his children, grandchildren, and an abundance of relatives and Gospel family to cherish his memories. William "Pete" Walker, Jr. was a beloved and renowned musician of New Orleans, LA, and a self-made business owner. He co-owned and operated M&W Display Company which dominated the merchandise display field for many years. He tirelessly promoted and sustained the Gospel Quartet genre throughout his life. For over 50 years he touched the hearts of many, both locally and internationally with his guitar. His musical talent transcended both secular and non-secular audiences annually at the Jazzfest and in such countries as Italy, Australia, and France. He started his professional musical journey with the Rocks of Harmony before joining his lifelong group, The Mighty Chariots of Fire. There is not a quartet group in the city that he has not filled in for or supported until his homegoing. His unyielding kindness and generosity will be sorely missed. We welcome all family and friends to the services at Rhodes Funeral Home 3933 Washington Ave., New Orleans, LA 70125 on Friday September 15, 2023. Visitation begins at 11:30 a.m. with a gospel service to follow. Interment will be at Providence Memorial Park & Mausoleum, 8200 Airline Dr, Metairie,

LA 70003. Arrangement by D. W. Rhodes Funeral, 3933 Washington Ave.  
Please visit [www.rhodesfuneral.com](http://www.rhodesfuneral.com) to sign the online guestbook.

# Cemetery Details

## Providence Park Cemetery

8200 Airline Dr.  
Metairie, LA 70003

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **15**. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Rhodes Funeral Home - Washington Avenue  
3933 Washington Avenue  
New Orleans, LA 70125  
(504) 822-7162  
<https://www.rhodesfuneral.com>

## Funeral Service

SEP **15**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Rhodes Funeral Home - Washington Avenue  
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New Orleans, LA 70125  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ Peter you will Truly be missed the Winchester Family.



Emeal Winchester - September 15, 2023 at 01:52 PM

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“ Mrs. Smith Jr and Family lit a candle in memory of William Walker



Mrs. Willie Smith Jr and Family - September 14, 2023 at 07:41 PM

EH

“ Ervin Hartford lit a candle in memory of William Walker



Ervin E Hartford - September 14, 2023 at 06:11 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of William Walker Jr..



September 14, 2023 at 10:40 AM

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“ Sending prayers and condolences to the family. The beloved William walker better known as “Peter” in the quartet world was a phenomenal guitarist that stood tall on every stage he preformed. Rest from your labor Pete!

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**Naomi chajua Diggs** - September 13, 2023 at 04:16 PM

JS

“ My love goes out to the family, especially Mrs. Maxine, thank you pete for giving me the opportunity to be a mighty chariots for 10 yrs you taught me how to be a professional on and off the stage, I'm going to miss you bossman!

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**Jermaine Sams** - September 13, 2023 at 11:52 AM