



*Celebrating The Life of*

**JIMMIE LOUIS WILSON**

October 16, 1945 ~ May 30, 2019

Wednesday, June 5, 2019

11:00 am | Viewing

12:00 noon | Service

Union Baptist Church

904 North Roxboro Street

Durham, North Carolina

Bishop Carlton R. Upton, Sr., Officiating  
Rev. Prince Raney Rivers, Senior Pastor

# Obituary

Jimmy Louis Wilson, age 73, passed away peacefully on May 30, 2019 at the Duke Hospice Hock Family Pavilion in Durham. He was one of seven sons born to the late Larry and Juanita Wilson of Durham, North Carolina.

Jimmy graduated from Hillside High School in 1964. After graduation, he enlisted in the US Army and married his high school sweetheart, Bernadette Hopkins. To that union was born a daughter, Sharen—the true apple of his eye.

He served four years in the army working in security and foreign communications intelligence. In the early 1970's, he volunteered often at the YMCA in Washington, DC. There he mentored young men and coached the basketball team. Shortly after his discharge from the Army, he joined the Washington, DC Police Department and remained in law enforcement for 39 years. In DC's sixth precinct, Jimmy rose through ranks as he was instrumental in reorganizing the department's homicide investigation unit and headed investigations into the 1981 attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan. In his illustrious career, Jimmy later served as Deputy Chief of Police in Washington, DC; Chief of Police in Jackson, MS; Chief of Police in Canton, MS; and Chief of Police in Suffolk, VA.

While pursuing a demanding career in law enforcement, he managed to find time to seek and obtain an Associate Degree, a Bachelor of Science Degree and a Master of Science, Education. Because he truly enjoyed his work, he found time to work in many other aspects of law enforcement: President of the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives; Director of Public Safety at VA State University; taught Police Management and Supervision at Penn State University; President, CEO of Global Public Safety Services in Suffolk, VA; and as an ATA (Anti-Terrorist-Association) Lead Instructor that sought his expertise in multiple foreign countries. Jimmy enjoyed spending quality time with his daughter, granddaughters (Quintina and Sharena) and other family members. Among his hobbies were fishing and boating.

Jimmy L. Wilson is predeceased by brothers Edward, Nathaniel and Clarence. Among those left to mourn his passing are his daughter, Sharen McGlothen; two granddaughters: Quintina and Sharena McGlothen of Manassas, VA; two brothers Larry Wilson (JoAnn) of Durham, NC and Kenneth Wilson (Cynthia) of Raleigh, NC; sister-in-law, Meverleen Wilson of Wilson, NC; a very special nephew, Kerry Wilson (Kimberly) of Bowie, MD and a host of other nieces and nephews, relatives, friends and special friend Jacqueline Cooper of Louisville, KY.



## On to Glory

My Feet are weary  
Though my faith is strong,  
I'm ready to enter the Kingdom  
With a glorious story and a heartfelt song  
So joyous to be with my Lord and Savior  
All the days long.  
*Sharen McGlothen*







