



## Willie Thomas Lindsey

February 10, 1928 - November 1, 2024

Willie Thomas Lindsey, Sr. was welcomed by his family, John and Leola Lindsey on February 10, 1928, in Lilesville, North Carolina. Willie helped his dad with farming on the family farm during his early childhood. Education was important to Willie so he sought education on his own during his free time in between working on the farm with his father.

At age 16, Willie asked his dad for permission to leave the farm to start a life on his own and come to the city of Portsmouth, Virginia with two of his relatives.

Willie started life in Portsmouth, Virginia being employed in various jobs starting at the State Movie Theatre on High Street. He then worked for a furniture company and at Swift Meat

Company. Later, he landed career employment with the United States Post Office where he excelled in many positions and promotions and then retired after 31 years of service.

While Willie was employed at the movie theatre, he met Etta Williams, whom he married in 1948. During this loving marriage, they were overjoyed and blessed with a family of five (5) children, Willie, Jr., Linda, Valerie, Vernon and Monique. In 1972, Willie's wife Etta, passed away and he turned his focus and

attention to raising his younger children and his job at the post office. Willie was a long-standing member of Noble Street Baptist Church, Noble Street Male Choir, Cottage Prayer Band, and Noon Day Pray; a member of various organizations, such as Meals on Wheels Volunteer, Tidewater Metro Laymen's League, and Lott Carey Conventions, to name a few.

Years later Willie met Della Childs, whom he married in 1976, widening his love of family with her, his children and her two children. They enjoyed life together and their senior years traveling, volunteering, visiting and spending time with family and relatives.

Willie transitioned from his natural life into everlasting spiritual life on November 1, 2024. He is preceded in death by his father and mother, John and Leola Lindsey; wives Etta Lindsey and Della Childs Lindsey; daughter Linda Lindsey Beckett; son Anthony Childs; two brothers John Edward Lindsey, Horace Lindsey and two sisters Elizabeth Ingram and Rosetta Harrington.

Willie leaves in remembrance his ambitious spirit towards life and success with education to his children Willie Lindsey, Jr. (Mary); Valerie Lindsey Richards; Vernon Lindsey (Jean); Monique Lindsey Smith; Pastor Bruce Childs (Gwen); brothers Howard Lindsey, Kenneth Lindsey, J T. Lindsey and sister Bernice Bennett; 15 Grandchildren; 34 Great Grandchildren; 5 Great Great Grandchildren; and a huge host of uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenlawn Memorial Gardens

3920 Airline Blvd  
Chesapeake, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 11. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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## Church Service

NOV 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

Noble Street Baptist Church  
100 Noble Street  
Portsmouth, VA

# Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Willie Thomas Lindsey



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - November 20, 2024 at 02:47 PM



“ Lindsey Family--Although it's difficult today to see beyond the sorrow, may looking back in memory help comfort you tomorrow. May God continue to hold you in the palm of His hand and give you strength in the days ahead.

Please accept our sincere condolences.... We hope your memories of him will be of some comfort. The Lindsey family are in our prayers. Remember in God's Holy Word that weeping may endure for a night but joy cometh in the morning. Peace and love be with you, The family of the late E D Kendall (Mittie Kendall Thomas, Mrytle Thomas Lee, Vance, Mittie Thomas McCoy, Thomas and Bryson McCoy) of Ansonville, NC and Wadesbor, NC



The Kendall Family - November 19, 2024 at 03:50 PM

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“ My Condolences & Prayers to our Lindsey’s Family! I have such fond memories of when Cousin Willie Thomas would visit my Mom Rose Waddell whenever he came to Jersey City, New Jersey! I know my Uncle Wyatt and him were very close as cousins my Mom’s brother. The last time I saw him I stopped by his house after attending our Cousin Dennis’ Funeral who was Uncle Wyatt’s son. It was a beautiful day with fond memories with my Mom, and my son Sharif. Fly High Cousin Willie Thomas see you on other side when that day comes. Tell all of the family they are truly missed down here!!!! 🙏🕊️🌹



Barbara Waddell - November 13, 2024 at 03:12 AM

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“ 35 files added to the album Life Tributes



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