



Willie Canady

January 15, 1939 - November 4, 2022

Mr. Willie Canady began life's journey in Talladega, AL on January 15, 1939, when he was born to the union of the late George and Ella Mae Baker Canady.

Willie found assurance in the word of God at an early age and united with Mt. Canaan Baptist Church serving faithfully until his health began to fail. He was educated in the Talladega City School System and attended Westside High School. At the age of sixteen, he began his work career in food service as a cook developing great culinary skills at the Purifoy Hotel, under the supervision of Mrs. Florence Sawyer and Mrs. Cross. Mr. Canady later became a devoted and loyal custodian for Alagasco, known today as Spire Energy where he retired after over forty years of dedicated service. He was a long-time member of Mount Moriah Lodge #12. As a member of the lodge, Mr. Canady served as an officer in various capacities for many years.

Affectionately known by his family and friends as "Bill", Willie was well-known in the community. He loved showing off his culinary skills in the kitchen cooking for family and friend. He had the sweetest spirit, and very kind-hearted, always willing to give, and willing to share. Mr. Canady always carried a smile and enjoyed talking to everyone. He was a big talker and would wake up every morning looking forward to sitting on his porch. He waved, spoke, and talked to all that passed by. He took great pride in

shopping and was a sharp dresser when he stepped out. Although he never had children of his own, his nieces and nephews were his prize possessions throughout his life. He loved his family and will be truly missed not only by family and friends, but all that he encountered.

On Friday morning, November 4, 2022 Willie peacefully answered God's call and traded his earthly labor for eternal rest while in the comfort of his home. He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Ella Mae Canady and brother, James Edward Canady.

Leaving behind to forever cherish Willie's loving memories are his sister, Ruth C. Rivers; nephews, Melvin (Antonette) Rivers, Willie Rivers, George (Erica) Rivers, Christopher Rivers, Timothy Dates and Neil Canady; nieces, Eugenia Rivers, Cynthia (Tony) Sillmon, Charlene Massingale, Laura (Rafael) McCoy, Marsha (Antonio) Hammonds, Janice Canady, and Cora Canady; and a host of great- nieces, great-nephews, great-great nieces and great-great nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Special thanks to all the caregivers and friends that took part in assisting with the care of Mr. Willie "Bill" Canady.

Cemetery Details

Midway Memory Gardens

27950 SR - 21 N
Talladega, AL 35160

Previous Events

Public Viewing

NOV **10**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Home Chapel
217 Coosa St. East
Talladega, AL 35160

Celebration of Life

NOV **11**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

GF

“ *Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Matthew 5:4*

George "Gerald" Rivers and Family - November 11, 2022 at 08:09 AM

SD

“ *Prayers and condolences to the family and friends of our first cousin, Willie Canady. We enjoyed our last time together July 2022 on the front porch. He's gone but will never be forgotten.
Gary & Laretta Dozier, IL and Sarah A. Gullett, OH*

Selma Dozier - November 10, 2022 at 12:10 PM

GC

“ *Precious Memories! Glenda Chatman, Co-worker, Alagasco*



Glenda Chatman - November 10, 2022 at 09:23 AM

TF

“ *The Charles Denson Family purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Willie Canady.*



The Charles Denson Family - November 10, 2022 at 08:58 AM

JE

“ *It was a pleasure doing our visits on the porch, I'll never forget you Mr Willie*



Jenifer - November 08, 2022 at 10:07 AM

JH

“ *Jackie Williams Hall lit a candle in memory of Willie Canady*



Jackie Williams Hall - November 07, 2022 at 10:43 PM

LF

“ *Lillie Palmer and family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Willie Canady.*



Lillie Palmer and family - November 07, 2022 at 03:23 PM

GW

“ *Gwendolyn Wilson sent a virtual gift in memory of Willie Canady*



Gwendolyn Wilson - November 06, 2022 at 01:04 PM

PB

“ May GOD comfort and strengthen you during your time of sorrow, truly sorry for your loss.



Pamela Bradford - November 06, 2022 at 11:31 AM

VW

“ Victor Wilson lit a candle in memory of Willie Canady



Victor Wilson - November 06, 2022 at 08:58 AM

VW

I will never forget the principles and morals and tons of knowledge that you have me throughout my life. A great mentor to me and a great friend to my Dad. You will forever be missed My Brother. Your working tools have been laid down and now you can take your rest. S.M.I.B. /G

Victor Wilson - November 06, 2022 at 09:04 AM

SG

Thanks For The memories You Shared with Family And Friends . The love You Gave. Your First Cousins Are Going To Miss You . Sara Ann Candy Gullett, Cleveland, Ohio

Sara Gullett - November 08, 2022 at 09:26 PM

SG

Thanks For The Meal You Cooked And Shared With Us When We Visit With Sara In Talladega We Will Miss You R I P. Angie,Helen, Laura.

Sara Gullett - November 10, 2022 at 11:34 AM

DM

Cousin Willie! Rest forever in the arms of God. Appreciate that you always kept it real with me. Forever will reflect upon our conversations about God, our own family, and life in general. Whenever I came "home" to Talladega you always threw the door open wide and loaded the table down heavy with the best down home cookin'. I shall keep you in my heart forever.

Deborah A Moten - November 12, 2022 at 05:35 PM