

**Flower Bearers**

Family and Friends

**Pall Bearers**

Bernard Clemons (Nephew)  
Nelson Clemons (Cousin)  
Terrance Love (Grandson)  
Jabar Garcia (Cousin)  
Shaun Butler (Nephew)  
Avilla Erby (Cousin)



**Acknowledgement**

For every kind word and every expression  
of sympathy, we thank you.  
For allowing us to share memories of him with you,  
we are extremely grateful.

**The Family**

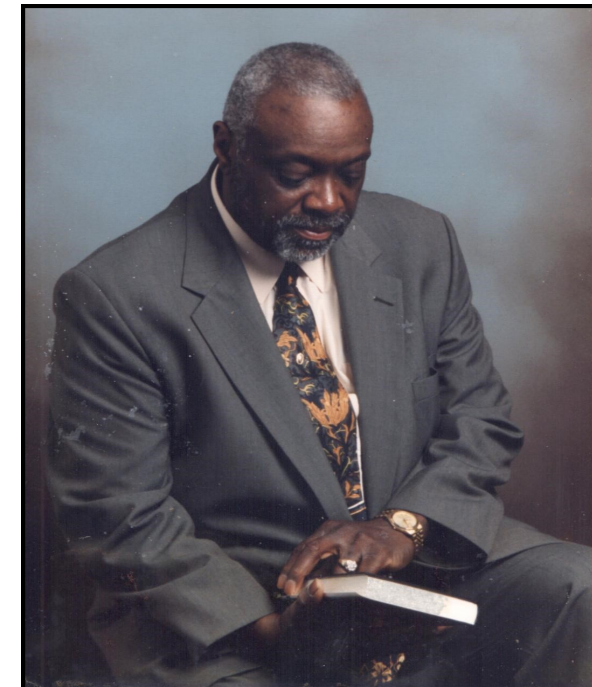


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*Homegoing Celebration*

*for*

**Mr. Charlie Lee Clemons, Sr.**



*Sunrise*

*June 6, 1942*

*Sunset*

*September 8, 2018*

*How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him  
of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?*  
Romans 10:14



**Saturday, September 15, 2018**

**11:30 AM**

**Stokesdale Church of God**

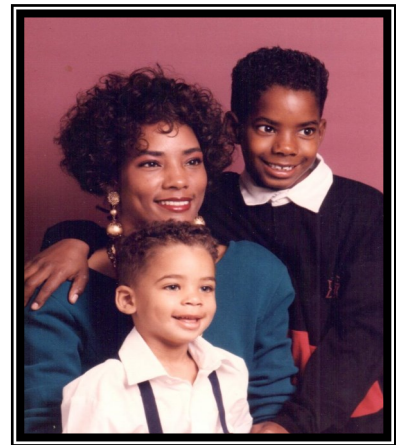
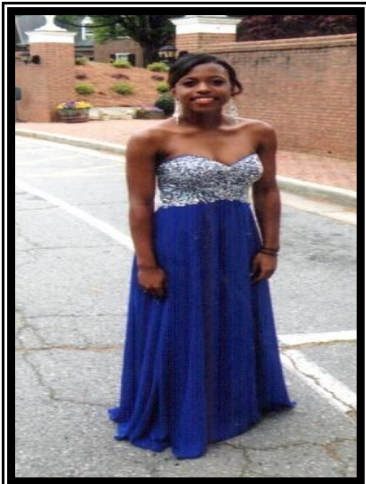
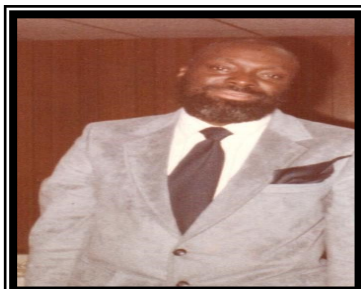
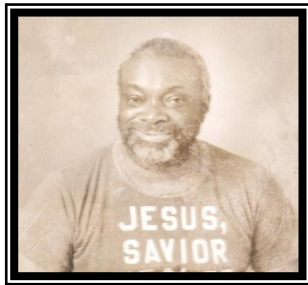
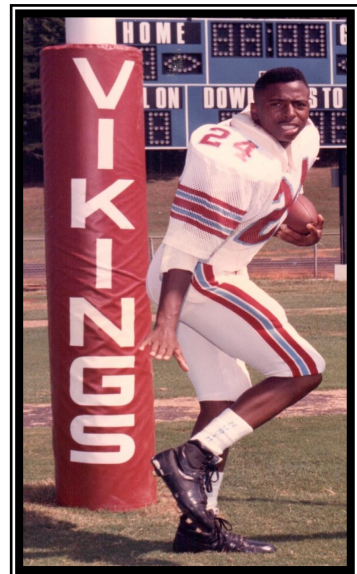
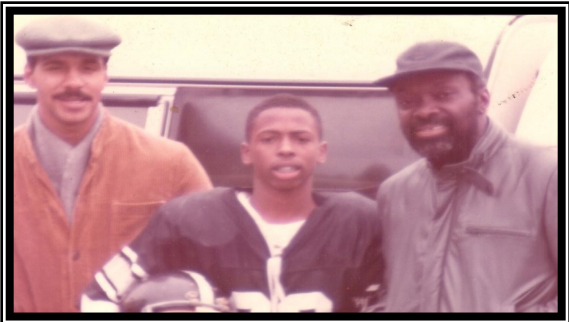
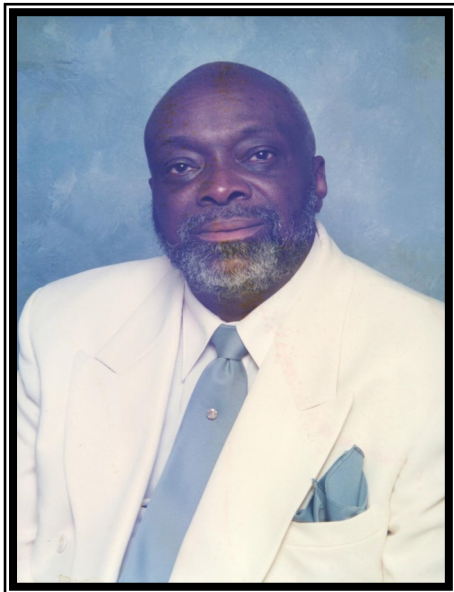
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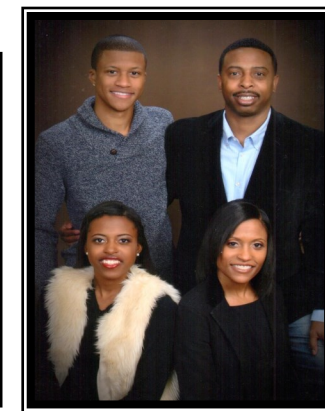
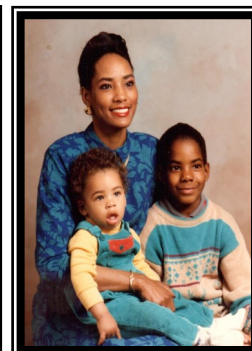
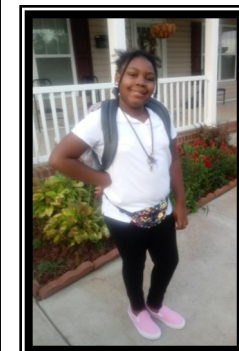
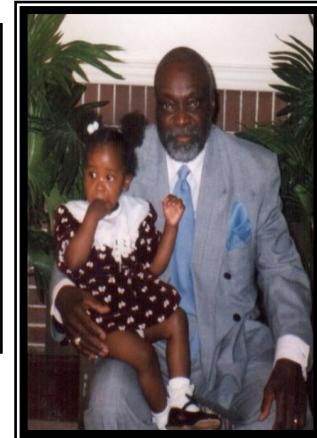
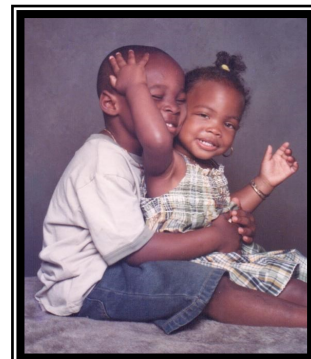
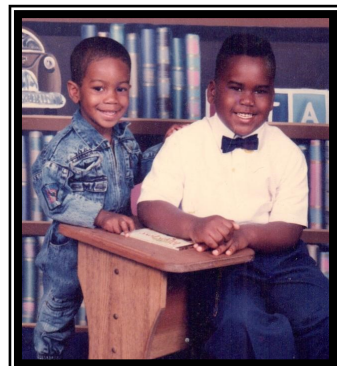
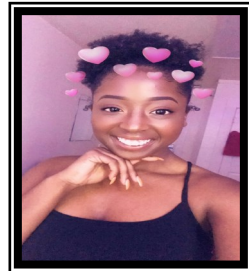
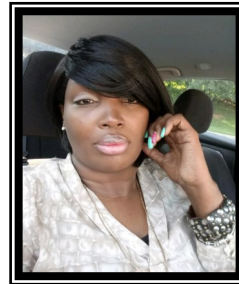
**Rev. Gwathney Leak, Sr., Officiant and Eulogist**



*Family is...*



*... Love*







# The Obituary



Charlie Lee Clemons, Sr. was born June 6, 1942 in Harlem, New York. He was the oldest of nine children born to the late Gonzia Lee Green, Sr. and Lillie Mae Butler. Charlie was granted his angel wings on September 8, 2018. In his final days, he was surrounded by his loving wife, children, family and a host of friends.

Charlie was a graduate of Anderson High School. He retired in 1993 from R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company after 31 years of service. Charlie or “Big Charlie”, as he was fondly known, enjoyed reading his bible and watching his Dallas Cowboys. “Try Jesus” were the words outlined on his cars and T-shirts. He plastered the same words all throughout Winston-Salem, the city he loved so dearly. Charlie volunteered in various ministries and started every conversation with a bible verse and ended it with a prayer. He strongly believed in sharing the gospel by shouting the word on every street corner, local radio station and through his prison ministry. He jokingly said to anyone who would listen, “old Charlie was different from new Charlie” and then reminisce for a bit, stop mid-sentence with a smile, point directly at you while looking in your eyes and say, “Try Jesus.”

Charlie was preceded in death by his parents, Gonzia Lee Green, Sr. and Lillie Mae Butler; his brothers, Vernon Butler, Randy Butler and Michael Green.

“Big Charlie” is survived by his wife, Renay Clemons; daughters, Cynthia Frasier of Las Vegas, NV, Charlene Clemons, Yvette (Daryl) Pugh, both of Winston-Salem, and Charletta Vance of Kernersville; son, Charlie Lee (Evette) Clemons, Jr. of Kernersville; two step daughters, Kautiva Love and Brittney Reese of Winston-Salem; 13 grandchildren; 5 great grandchildren; brothers, Bernard Clemons, Sr. (Priscilla Mathis) of District Heights, MD, Rushie Clemons of Bronx, NY, Larry Butler and Calvin Butler both of Winston-Salem, and Gonzia Lee (Signe) Green, Jr. of Rossville, MD; two sisters-in-law, Marcia (Mike) Bowens of Winston-Salem and Gail Love of Ft. Lauderdale, FL; three brothers-in-law, Jeffrey Love, Darryl Love and Jimmy Love, all of Ft. Lauderdale, FL; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and many longtime friends.

Many people knew Charlie as the “Street Corner Preacher”, but he simply wanted you to know that Jesus can help you through anything. In the words of “New Charlie”, “Much love” to everyone.

### John 14:27

*Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth, give I unto you.  
Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.*



# The Order of Service



## The Musical Prelude

The Processional (with Scriptural collect)

Clergy and Family

## Family Visitation

11:00 AM – 11:30 AM

## The Musical Selection

“I Won’t Complain”

## The Prayer of Comfort

Minister Tyrone Fair

## The Sacred Scriptures

Deacon John Jowers

*Old Testament Psalm 119*

*New Testament John 14:2*

## Resolutions

Stokesdale Church of God

Now Try Jesus Ministry

## The Musical Selection

“Mercy Said No”

## The Eulogy

Reverend Gwathney Leak, Sr.

## The Recessional

## The Postlude

## Interment

Piedmont Memorial Gardens  
3663 Piedmont Memorial Drive  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina



## I HAVE A PLACE IN HEAVEN

I have a place in heaven  
Please don't sing sad songs for me,  
Forget your grief and fears,  
For I am in a perfect place  
Away from pain and tears.  
It's far away from hunger  
And hurt and want and pride,  
I have a place in Heaven  
With the Master at my side.  
My life on earth was very good,  
As earthly life can go,  
But Paradise is so much more  
Than anyone can know.  
My heart is filled with happiness  
And sweet rejoicing, too.  
To walk with God is perfect peace,  
A joy forever new.

*—Author Unknown*



## Amazing Grace

John Newton

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me....  
I once was lost but now am found,  
Was blind, but now, I see.

T'was Grace that taught...  
my heart to fear.  
And Grace, my fears relieved.  
How precious did that Grace appear...  
the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares...  
we have already come.  
T'was Grace that brought us safe thus far...  
and Grace will lead us home.

The Lord has promised good to me...  
His word my hope secures.  
He will my shield and portion be...  
as long as life endures.

When we've been here ten thousand years...  
bright shining as the sun.  
We've no less days to sing God's praise...  
then when we've first begun.

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me....  
I once was lost but now am found,  
Was blind, but now, I see.

