I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God has laid you see.
I took his hand when I heard his call,
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day;
To laugh, to love, to work, or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way.
I found that peace at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joys. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss. Oh yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow.

I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much

Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief.
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and peace to thee;
God wanted me now. He has set me free.



Flower Attendants Nieces

Pall Bearers Nephews

Acknowledgment

Perhaps you sang a touching song
Or came and just sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent lovely flowers
If so, we saw them there.
Perhaps you sent or spoke comforting words
or helped us to pray.
Perhaps you were not there at all
Just thought of us that day.
Perhaps you prepared some tasty food
Or maybe furnished a car.
Perhaps you rendered services unseen
Right here or from afar.
Whatever you did to console our hearts,
We thank you sincerely
Whatever the part.

The Family

Please be advised that the Greenville County Sheriff's Department and the City of Greenville Police Department no longer provide escort—services for funeral—processions. Therefore, all drivers should obey traffic signals. Persons who are not riding in the funeral home limousines should meet the family at the cemetery.

Services Entrusted to
Watkins, Garrett & Woods Mortuary, Inc.
1011 Augusta Street
Greenville, SC 29605
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Celebration of Life for Mr. Silas Gray, Jr.



Monday, December 2, 2019
1:00pm
Israel Metropolitan CME Church
307 N Calhoun Street
Greenville, South Carolina 29601
Rev. Courtney L. Adams, Pastor

Sunrise: 05-05-1940 Sunset: 11-25-2019

Order of Service

Rev. Adrian Duckett, Presiding

PreludeMusician
ProcessionalClergy, Family and Friends
HymnIsrael Metropolitan CME Choir How Great Thou Art
Scripture Readings: Old TestamentReverend David Webb New TestamentMinister Calvin Franklin
PrayerReverend Adrian Duckett
SoloMinister Dexter Cason I'll Fly Away
Remarks (Please limit to 3 minutes.) Lem Hendricks Harvey Choplin Hiram Springle
SoloMark Brock
SelectionIsrael Metropolitan CME Choir
EulogyRev. Robert Rice
Recessional Interment Greenville Memorial Gardens













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Obituary

Born May 5, 1940, in Greenville, South Carolina, SILAS JUNE DOT' GRAY, JR., was the son the late Silas and Jerdi B. Hamlin Gray Sr. He departed this life on Monday, November 25, 2019, at his home

After attending Sterling High School, he entered into the United States Military (Army), where he served a tour in Korea. He was a member of the Mt. Pleasant Lodge #384, and a lifetime member of the Charles F. Gandy Jr., V.F.W. Post #6734. He was a member of Israel Metropolitan CME Church and was a retiree from the United States Postal Service.

He was preceded in death by one grandson, Jeremi Silas; seven brothers, James, Luke, Lewis, Will, Robert, Lee and George; and one sister, Louise Shaw.

He leaves to cherish many fond and loving memories: his wife, Willie Ree Parks Gray; their two daughters, Beverly (Michael) Glenn and Belinda (Arthur) Davis; their three sons, Silas III (Shandra) Gray, Gregory (Melba) Gray and Antonio Gray; seven grandchildren; Kieron, Mario, DeRico, Gernick, Dion, Michael and Niegel; six great-grandchildren; two sisters-in-law, Linda Faye Gray and Olivia Parks; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

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