

## Order of Service

Rev. Dr. Leroy Kelly, Presiding  
Pastor of West Union Missionary Baptist Church

### Processional and Viewing

#### Scripture

Old Testament ..... Rev. Dr. Leroy Kelly  
Pastor - West Union Missionary Baptist Church

New Testament ..... Rev. Tommy Downer, Sr.  
Peace Missionary Baptist Church

Prayer ..... Dec. Gus Redmond  
West Union Missionary Baptist Church

Musical Selection ..... "Blessed Assurance"

#### Acknowledgement of

Cards and Condolences..... Ayana N. Williams

Obituary ..... (Read silently)

Reflections..... (Two Minutes Please)

As a Friend  
As a Neighbor  
As a Family Member

Musical Selection ..... "Leaning on the Everlasting Arm"

Eulogy ..... Pastor Clarence Hester  
Greater New Mt. Lilla Missionary Baptist Church

### Recessional

## Interment

Evergreen Cemetery  
4535 N. Main Street 32206

## Pallbearers

Grandsons  
Nephews  
Friends

## Flower Attendants

Granddaughters  
Friends of the Family

## Acknowledgements

The family of **Charlie Lee Mills, Sr.** extend our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for the outpouring of comfort, love, and support. We are especially grateful for the kindness shown by those who visited our love one during his stay in the nursing home.

A special thanks to the staff of Lakeside Nursing and Rehab facility, Pastor Clarence Hester, Rev. Tommy Downer, Thomas L. Grant, Solister Johnson, David Wilson, Willie and Naomi Downer, Dec. Kenneth and Larlita Reddick, and Angela Springfield.

~ The Family ~

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*Charlie Lee Mills, Sr.*

*Sunrise*

January 8, 1928

*Sunset*

March 25, 2020

#### Service

11:00 AM, Saturday, April 4, 2020

*Samuel C. Rogers Jr. Memorial Chapel*

4315 N. Main Street  
Jacksonville, Florida 32206

*Pastor Clarence Hester, Officiating*



# *Life's Reflections for Charlie L. Mills, Sr.*

**Charlie Lee Mills, Sr.** was born in Jacksonville, Florida on January 8, 1928 to Lurania Jackson. He attended school in Jacksonville before dropping out at an early age to help care for his mother and sister. Known by his nickname "Lit", he grew up in the Sweetwater, Wesconnett, and New Town areas of Jacksonville. Although he gave his life to Christ at an early age, at the time of his death, he was not affiliated with a church. However, during a visit with Rev. Tommy Downer, he reaffirmed his faith in Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior. His favorite Scripture was Psalm 23 and The Lord's Prayer.

A retired Longshoreman, ILA Local 1408, Charlie also worked numerous other jobs including as a cab driver for the New Deal Cab Company. In years past, he was a popular dancer known from Ashley Street to American Beach. He loved planting fruit trees and flowers in his yard, playing checkers with his friends at a neighborhood service station, and fishing at various areas of the St. John's River, especially Heckscher Drive.

**Charlie** met and married the love of his life, Catherine Easter Dixon in 1946. From this union was born five children: two sons, Charlie L. Mills, Jr. and Heawartha (Towanda) Mills; three daughters, Patricia L. Brinson Mills, Alfreda L. Williams, and Eva Jean Mills; and like a daughter, his niece, Shirley A. Myers Robinson.

**Charlie Mills** departed this life on Wednesday, March 25, 2020, and was preceded in death by his father, Charlie Mills; mother, Lurania Mills Myers; step-father, Lawrence Myers; and sister, Maggie Myers Harp.

At the time of his death, Charlie Mills was the patriarch of five generations. Along with his wife and children, he leaves behind his loving family and friends to cherish his memory; Sixteen grandchildren; twenty-four great great grandchildren; and nine great great great grandchildren.

## *A Loving Husband, Father, and Grandfather*



## *Precious Memories*



Brothers-in-law, Napoleon (Jeanette) Filer and David "Leroy" (Lillian) Filer; sisters-in-law, Rutha M. Merricks, Bernice Folston (Willie), Lillian Mitchell (Albert), Judy Anderson, Patricia Jones (Edgar), Geraldine Blake, and Lue Ethel Chisolm;

Numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins, including Johnny (Delores) Jackson, Josh Kohn; goddaughters, Dorothy Polite and Helen Smith; dearest friends, Solister Johnson, Thomas Lee Grant, and David Wilson.



## *Family*

## *23rd Psalm*

*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.  
He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:  
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.  
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my  
head with oil; my cup runneth over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will  
dwell in the house of the Lord forever.  
Amen*