A DANCE TO emember

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It's never too late to rebuild the bridge, To cross the divide and stand on the ridge. A father and daughter, worlds apart, Yet tied by the thread of a longing heart.

You missed the chapters where childhood blooms, The laughter of youth in sunlit rooms. But in my milestones, you found your way, Like a quiet star in the light of day.

My college graduation, you stood so proud, Amid the cheers of the gathered crowd. Your eyes spoke volumes, though words were few, In that moment, I saw the love shine through.

This Thanksgiving, amidst the cheer, You asked me to dance, and drew me near. In your arms, the years seemed to fade, A memory eternal, a bond remade.

How I wish we had more time to share, More stolen moments, more love to declare But even in parting, I hold you tight, In the dance we shared that autumn night.

I'll miss you, Dad, with all my soul, But your love has filled what once wasn't whole. It's never too late to mend and start For a father's love lives in his daughter's heart.

ACTIVE PALIBEARERS

Gavin Burch, Jr.

Deon'Taye Livingston

Calve'on Alexander

Cevante Turner

Terrion Hampton

Frederick Demps

ACTIVE FLORAL BEARERS

Family and Friends

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THE FAMILY'S MESSAGE OF GRATITUDE

We, the family of Bud Elmore Demps, Sr., express our sincere appreciation for the care and concern you have shown during our time of bereavement. Your kind expressions shown through your calls, prayers, visits, flowers, words of encouragement and other acts of kindness are greatly appreciated. Your love and compassion in this time of sorrow has given us strength, courage and hope. May God bless and keep each of you in His care.

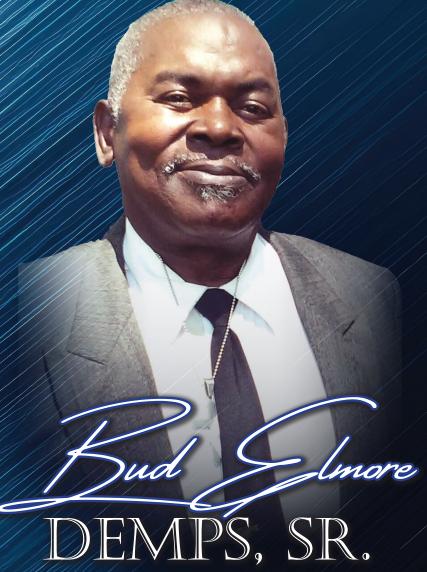
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LIFE STORY

BUD ELMORE DEMPS, SR.
April 8, 1953 - December 11, 2024

Incle Bud"

"To Be Absent from the Body is to be Present with the Lord" ~ 2 Corinthians 5:8

Bud Elmore Demps, Sr., the son of James Clarence Demps and Ora Lee Vincent Demps, was born on April 8, 1953. He grew up with his large family of siblings and under the watchful eyes of their parents and his village who helped him learn the importance of having integrity, a love of family, a strong work ethic, and positive relationships with others. A lifelong resident of Greenville, FL, Bud was affectionately known as "Uncle Bud" by most.

Bud confessed his belief in Jesus Christ and became a member of Kingdom Ministries Church of Greenville. He loved learning more about the "Word" of God by attending church with other believers who strengthened his faith in the Lord.

Because of the work ethic he developed early in life, Bud loved to work in the logging industry and did so for many years. He was a good provider, who also knew how to control his earnings to the point of being described as "tight with his dollars."

Uncle Bud was fun-loving and loved to joke and clown around because it made everyone's day a little brighter. He also enjoyed socializing with the ladies who also enjoyed his companionship. However, during his leisure time, he loved to cook greens, watch westerns (especially "Gunsmoke") but he primarily enjoyed spending quality time with his family.

On Wednesday, December 11, 2024, Bud Elmore Demps, Sr. crossed from this walk of life to receive his eternal reward and to be at rest. He is gone from his loved ones' sight but will not be forgotten.

The spirit of Bud Elmore Demps, Sr. lives on in the hearts and minds of those who loved him. Celebrating his well lived life are his devoted sons: Bud Demps, Jr. of Greenville, FL and Allen (Renee) Demps of Madison, FL; dutiful daughters: Darlene (Gavin) Demps-Burch of Jacksonville, FL and Brittney Moore of Tallahassee, FL; loving brother: Richard (Robin) Demps of Greenville, FL; concerned sisters: Glynaves Powell of Greenville, FL, Clarice Demps and Cora Lee Demps, both of Madison, FL, and Ruby (William) Noble of Monticello, FL; loving grandchildren: Avience Burch, Deon'Taye Livingston, Joy Bellamy, Shamiya Thompkins, Gavin Burch, Jr., Alana Demps, Calve'on Alexander, Ja'Shaunta Moore, Lin'Kerriah Moore, Jashaun Moore, Jr., Ja'niya Moore, and Bri'kyah Moore; five great-grandchildren; in addition to a host of other sorrowing relatives and countless other sympathetic friends.

Loved ones who preceded Bud Elmore Demps, Sr. in death were his parents: James Clarence Demps, Sr. and Ora Lee Vincent Demps; brothers: James Demps, Jr, and Clarence Demps; and sisters: Blanche Jackson, Joanne Demps, Rutha Livingston, and Marvelous Demps.





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Words of Comfort...................................Reverend Dr. Charlie Barfield

"Let us not love with words or speech, but in deed and in truth" -1 John 3:18

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