

A Legacy of Love

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
WEST "BIG WEST" NEAL
OCTOBER 9, 1944 – JULY 11, 2025

*We gather here, not in despair, but in remembrance,
Of a man whose love was a constant, a true testament.
From Byromville's roots to Miami's warm sun,
He lived with purpose—his work never done.*

*With hands that cooked and hearts he fed,
With every meal, kind words were said.
A faithful soul, in Christ he stood,
Spreading laughter, light, and doing good.*

*He wore the name "Big West" with pride,
A larger-than-life heart no pain could hide.
A business mind, a helping hand,
A man of vision who took a stand.*

*He joked, he smiled, he made you see,
That joy could live in simplicity.
His humor healed, his words brought cheer,
His presence meant that hope was near.*

*Though shadows fall and tears may gently flow,
We celebrate the life that helped us grow.
He taught us strength, compassion, and the grace to see,
The beauty in each day, for all eternity.*

*His hands, once strong, now still, but not forgotten,
His wisdom, a guiding light, forever molten.
In every memory, a spark of him remains,
A father's love, a legacy that always sustains.*

*We see him in the sunbeams, hear him in the breeze,
A gentle whisper carried on the trees.
Though death may claim the body, it cannot steal,
The love he gave, the joy, the love we feel.*

*He's cooking now at Heaven's gate,
Cracking jokes while angels wait.
And if we listen close and true,
We'll hear him laugh—just like he used to do.*

*So let us cherish every precious, fleeting moment,
And carry on his spirit, a vibrant, loving component.
For in our hearts, he lives, forevermore,
A father's love, a treasure to adore.*

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS
Devin Alexander Tyrie Florence
Zakari Neal Lewis Young
Westley Neal, Jr.

ACTIVE FLORAL BEARERS
Family and Friends

REPAST
*Immediately following the Service, the Neal Family invites
you to join them for a Repast in the Annex of St. James M.B.
Church, 497 SW Georgetown Road, Madison, Florida.*

THE FAMILY'S MESSAGE
OF GRATITUDE
*The Family of "Big West" Neal wishes to express their deepest
appreciation and sincere gratitude to those who have offered their
prayers, support, and well wishes during our time of bereavement. Thank
you for your love and strength which, along with the strength of God,
has helped to sustain us through our sorrow. We are most grateful for
the services provided by Big Bend Hospice, Big Bend Transit, and Mrs.
Patricia Williams. Your dedication, care, and support have brought us
much comfort and peace.*

May God continue to bless you!

*We take comfort in 1 Corinthians 2:9 ... "Eye has not seen, nor ear
heard, nor have entered into the heart of man, the things which God has
prepared for those who love Him."
-The Family*

*We would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude for the
trust you have placed upon us during the Homegoing Services of your
loved one. Our fondest hope is that all measures of assistance rendered
your family have been completed in detail. For all your confidence placed
in our staff and me, we will be forever grateful.*

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ALPHA OMEGA
October 9, 1944 July 11, 2025

Saturday, July 19, 2025
1:00 Post Meridiem

Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church
221 SW Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive
Madison, Florida 32340

Minister Josie Graham Officiant
Minister Cherith Neal Florence Eulogist

J.P. Moore Undertaking Company, Directing



*"Yea, Though I Walk Through the Valley of the Shadow of Death,
I Will Fear No Evil: For Thou Art With Me"*

-PSALM 23:4

WEST NEAL, the son of Jeffrey Neal and Daisy Mae Felton Neal, was born on October 9, 1944, in Byromville, Georgia. Many years later, he made the decision to relocate to Miami, Florida, to seek opportunities for a better life. This remained the city of his residence until 15 years ago when he relocated to Madison, Florida, to be closer to his adult children and grandchildren.

WEST was a man of faith in Jesus Christ. He was a member of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church in Miami, Florida. He was a shining example of God's love and grace.

A man of many talents, **BIG WEST** (as he was affectionately known) was an excellent cook who worked as a chef for many years. When the time was right, he stepped out on faith, using his "people skills" coupled with his entrepreneurial skills, to establish several businesses for himself. He owned a lawn service and a gas station which afforded him opportunities to meet, greet, and to get to know many people. He later transported fuel for Miami Home Gas Corporation. His greatest joy was his being of service to others.

Because of his sense of humor, **WEST** was a fun person to be around. He did not have a career on stage as a comedian, but he seized every opportunity to show the brighter side of life with his lighthearted joking. He always had an audience who appreciated him for making their day much brighter by giving them opportunities to laugh. (Some of his children inherited this quality.)

It has been stated that you can give without loving, but you cannot love without giving. That which **WEST NEAL** gave could not be measured in dollars and cents but rather be seen through his actions and his loving ways. He was determined to help in any way possible, for he loved his family unconditionally, valued his friends, and treasured life itself.

WEST NEAL had his final conversation with God on Friday, July 11, 2025. He chose to forsake this world with its troubles and exchange it for his home in Glory. It was well with his soul.

WEST NEAL leaves a legacy of love, humor, generosity, and commitment that will continue to uplift and inspire. His loved ones will miss him, but their faith has strengthened their hope in knowing that they, too, will be able to see him again one day. Those who will celebrate his life and remember his labor of love are his devoted sons: Wesley Neal, Jr. and Christopher D. Neal, both of Madison, FL; his faithful daughters: Shalina Neal and Minister Cherith (Tyrie) Neal Florence, all of Madison, FL; sisters: Annette (Carl) Walker, Rebecca Shelley, Mary Hodges, Sharon Neal, all of Miami, FL, Linda Turner of Atlanta, GA; Mae (Robert) Woodson, Mary (Bobby) Woodson, and Lisa Austin; twelve loving grandchildren; a host of beloved nieces and nephews; along with many other sorrowing relatives, comforting friends, and concerned neighbors.

Loved ones who have preceded **WEST NEAL** in death were his parents: Jeffrey Neal and Daisy Mae Felton Neal; children: Windall Neal and Yolanda Houston; brothers: Ramsey Neal, Jeffrey Neal, Jr., Joseph Neal, Willie J. Neal, and sister: Georgia Mae Neal.



The Divine Order of Service

Prelude..... Shiloh Music Ministry

Processional Eulogist, Clergy, Mortician & Family

Parting Glance & Seating of the Family The *J.P. Moore* Staff

The Prayer of Consolation Minister Montrell Hawkins

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES:

Old Testament Deacon Vernon Harper

New Testament Evangelist Jackie Cain

Selection Shiloh Music Ministry

REFLECTIONS & TRIBUTES

Kindly limit remarks to two minutes

Expressions from Family & Friends.. Limited to three individuals

Acknowledgements & Resolutions The *J.P. Moore* Staff

Solo Sister Mary Brinson-Hargett

Words of Comfort Minister Cherith Neal Florence

SERVICE OF COMMITTAL

Minister Josie Graham

Mortician's Brief

Recessional Clergy & Family

Yet we have this assurance:

Those who belong to God will live; their bodies will rise again!

Those who sleep in the earth will rise up and sing for joy!

- ISAIAH 26:19