

Teacher, Mentor, Giver

Uncle Everett was the first man to make me feel important to be part of his family and never stopped loving me no matter where I was in life. - Niece

He always gave, whether it was advice, a story or financially. He was at graduations, called on our birthdays, said "Grandpa loves ya" every phone call and he always showed it. - Granddaughter

"Don't urinate on my head and tell me it's raining!" - Grandson

Grandpa didn't just people's word at face value but met everything with a bit of skepticism. Sometimes it bordered on cynicism, but nobody was gonna pull one over on Ol' Watson. - Grandson

"Don't spend all of your time trying to impress people; instead, express who you are." - Son

Growing up he was like a father to me. We were closer than I ever imagined a brother & sister could be. He could sense when something was wrong and would call. He never let me forget that family was first. - Sister

Uncle Everett was the first man in my life to talk to me and not at me. My favorite quote: "I don't care about how good you can dance and shuck & jive. Tell me how good you are doing in school." - Nephew

Acknowledgement

The family of Everett Watson would like to thank everyone who expressed love through prayers, calls, visits, cards, texts, flowers, gifts, food and any other act of kindness during this time. We truly appreciate your generosity and thoughtfulness.



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CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR *Mr. Everett Watson*

SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 15, 2020

11:00 AM

S. T. ENLOE MEMORIAL CHAPEL
231 NORTH LAFAYETTE ST.
SHELBY, NC 28150

REV. EVERETT D. WATSON- OFFICIANT



OBITUARY

Everett Watson was born in Shelby, NC to the late Johnny Watson and Evelyn McFadden. He was the third born of eleven children. Everett discontinued his schooling in the eighth grade to help support his family, taking his first steps towards becoming the Patriarch for his and several other families. Everett married Rose R.J. Ligon, Feb 28, 1959 (60 years of marriage). To this union were born Yvonne, Everett D. (Bridget) and Vincent.



At 17, he enlisted in the United States Air Force. Shortly after joining he began to realize he wasn't as "dumb as" or "less than" others as he previously had been lead to believe. This awareness sparked a thirst for learning and a drive for excellence that would last the rest of his life. Air Force accomplishments include, but are not limited to: Completing his GED, earning a B.S. in Psychology, graduating Magna Cum Laud; Finishing a 30+ year career at the top of the enlisted ranks – E9: Chief Master Sergeant, and number 1 in his field.

Although he had a prestigious career, Everett was never content with personal success alone. He was always reaching out to help someone else to succeed by either teaching, mentoring or giving, both of himself as well as his money. It wasn't beyond him to let his nephews know he'd "break his foot off in their hind parts" if they didn't get their act together! (Oh, yeah.....we most definitely cleaned that up for the program)!

He has 10 siblings of which 7 are deceased: Albertine, Mary Elizabeth, Diane, Willie Lewis "Heavy," James "Jimmy," Nathaniel "Crow," and Allen. He is survived by wife Rose, his three children, four grandchildren; Kristin, Everett A. Amia and Sean, siblings Shirley, Rosalin and Tommy, and numerous cousins, relatives and friends. Being one of those Flat Rock Boys, he returned to Shelby regularly and always called it home. Everett went to be with the Lord on February 2, 2020.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional

Clergy & Family

Scripture

Old Testament: Jane Davis

New Testament: Everett A. Watson

Prayer

Minister Bridget Watson

Celebration DVD

Teacher/Mentor/Giver
(Two Minute Reflections) Eric McCluney
Evan. Yvonne M. Watson

Obituary

(Read Silently)

Song

Rev. John Harris

Eulogy

Rev. Everett D. Watson

Benediction