



Mr. William B. Sanders

April 22, 1962 - October 19, 2024

Statesboro, Georgia

Mr. William Bernard Sanders was born in Duck Hill, Mississippi, on April 22, 1962, to Buck and Mary Ella McCuiston Sanders. He died peacefully at the East Georgia Regional Medical Center on Saturday, October 19, 2024.

He confessed Christ at an early age and was baptized at the Young's Chapel Baptist Church in Duck Hill, Mississippi. After relocating to Statesboro, Georgia, he attended the St. Mary's Missionary Baptist Church.

He graduated from Duck Hill High School, where he was an active basketball player. One of his outstanding achievements was the first time he dunked the ball.

On November 29, 2021, he united in matrimony to his "honey" Mrs. Joanne Winfield Sanders. They enjoyed five years of love and friendship. Some of their favorite pastimes were fishing, visiting friends and family, and shopping at flea markets.

He had previous marriages to Patricia Pickens and the late Laura Loggins. Two children, William Marquis and Alicia Nicole, were born from the first marriage, and two children, Shaquille O'Neal and Kobe Malik, were born from

the second marriage.

William's hobbies and interests helped define him. He enjoyed fishing and hunting and anxiously awaited each season. He shared his love for the outdoors with his son Kobe. However, his greatest enjoyment was spending time with his children and grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, William was predeceased by six siblings: O. W. Sanders, Gracie Harbin, Hattie Smith, Leroy Sanders, Charles E. Sanders, and William Harvey McCuiston; and two stepsons, Cordell Preston Winfield and Jeremy Jerome Winfield.

He leaves fond memories in the hearts of his loved ones: his wife, Joanne Marie Sanders of Statesboro, GA; his children, William Marquis Sanders (Kimberly) of Ellabell, GA, Alicia Nicole Sanders of Savannah, GA, and Shaquille O'Neal Sanders and Kobe Malik Sanders of Statesboro, GA; one stepson, Renell Palmer of Maricopa, AZ; eleven grandchildren; two sisters: Eva Lay of Waterford, MS and Lillian Turnipseed (James) of North Providence, RI; four brothers, Frank Sanders of Newport News, VA, J. W. Sanders (Sylvia) of Indianapolis, IN, Nathaniel Sanders (Marjorie) of Killeen, TX, and Charles Sanders (Frances) of Duck Hill, MS; a sister-in-law, Ruth Palmer; two brothers-in-law, Anthony Winfield and Terry Charles; many nieces, nephews, and a host of relatives and friends who will miss him dearly.

His light was generously shared with many people in this world. He will always be remembered for his sense of humor, his willingness to help, and standing up for what was right. Most importantly, everyone knew him as a "friend" in the community.

Viewing will be held on Friday evening, November 1, 2024, at the Hill's Mortuary, Inc.

Mr. Sanders will lie in state on the day of service from 9 A.M. until the funeral hour. There will be no viewing after the eulogy.

The funeral service for Mr. William B. Sanders, will be held 10 A.M., Saturday November 2, 2024, at the St. Mary's Missionary Baptist Church, with the pastor, Rev. Timotheus Mincey, officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Final rites have been entrusted to Hill's Mortuary, Inc.

Previous Events

Viewing

NOV 1. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Hill's Mortuary, Inc.
58 Packinghouse Road
Statesboro, GA 30458

In State

NOV 2. 9:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Missionary Baptist Church
2227 Mallard Pond Rd
Statesboro, GA 30461
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Funeral Service

NOV 2. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Burial

NOV 2 (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Dear Family of Mr. Bernard Sanders: I am hoping and praying God's best for each of you during your time of sorrow.

Your Cousin in Christ,
Tracy Cunningham Smith

Tracy C. Smith - November 02, 2024 at 03:07 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. William B. Sanders.

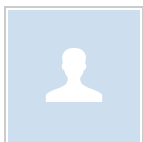
October 29, 2024 at 08:49 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. William B. Sanders.



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. William B. Sanders.

October 28, 2024 at 01:43 PM



“ *Silken Serenity Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. William B. Sanders.*



October 28, 2024 at 01:43 PM



“ *DFAS BMO Leadership purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Mr. William B. Sanders.*



DFAS BMO Leadership - October 28, 2024 at 11:20 AM



“ *Sincere Condolences to the Family 🙏🙏🙏 Pastor Norman and First Lady Sandra Small and The Members of Piney Grove M.B.Church of Cascilla, Ms and Stewart, Ms !!!*

Sandra Love-Small - October 27, 2024 at 06:19 AM



“ *On behalf of the family of William Oscar & Lula Bell Loggins we extend our sincere condolences to you all! Bernard was a friend to many people and was loved dearly! He will be missed!!*

Dot, Lula Mae, Jeanette, Burnell, and Ezell

Dorothy Davidson - October 24, 2024 at 10:51 AM

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“ *ARNOLD PERKINS lit a candle in memory of Mr. William B. Sanders*



ARNOLD PERKINS - October 23, 2024 at 02:56 PM

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“ *Deepest condolences to Frank Sanders and the entire Sanders family. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*
Shelia Maxwell, Raleigh NC



Shelia Maxwell - October 23, 2024 at 11:44 AM