

Expressions of Gratitude

The family of Verl Steven Holder wishes to express sincere appreciation to those who have participated in the celebration of his life during this difficult time. Whether you sent a card, flowers, spoke comforting words, whispered prayers, or simply kept us in your thoughts may God bless each of you. A special thank you to Deborah Hecht, a wonderful neighbor and friend, who took it upon herself to unselfishly care and looked out for Stevie when his health declined.

Honorary Pallbearers

Markus J. Holder - Jeffrey L. Wilson - Earnest J. Wilson, III
Ashley J. Holder - Michael L. Holder - Mosheh Holder

The Broken Chain

We little knew that morning,
That God would call your name.
In life we loved you dearly,
In death we do the same.
It broke our hearts to lose you,
You did not go alone.
For part of us went with you,
The day God called you home
You left us beautiful memories,
Your love is still our guide.
And although we cannot see you,
You are always by our side.
Our family chain is broken,
And nothing seems the same.
But as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again.

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A Celebration of Life for



Verl Steven Holder

December 28, 1955 - March 25, 2023

The Chapel of Peace East
Monday, April 3, 2023

Visitation: 11:00am Service: 12:00pm

Obituary

Verl Steven Holder was a very kind and generous man. He was born in Columbus, Ohio (no wonder he was such a Buckeye's fan) on December 28, 1955 and transitioned on March 25, 2023.

He is preceded in death by his parents; Barbara L. (formerly Holder) Wilson and Verl Holder, loving wife Vanessa Miller Holder, daughter; Stephanie Miller Holder, brother; Lawrence Michael Holder, and sister; Jennifer L. Wilson.

Steve or Stevie as many would call him was a very gifted multi-talented man. He played various instruments including base guitar, drums, harmonica and piano. His love for music led to him creating his own studio in his multi-use basement.

He loved working with his hands and he was not afraid to get them dirty. He held positions as an independent contractor in bricklaying, construction and landscaping. He also worked as a painter on many major projects throughout the city of Columbus and in other nearby states.

Something that he loved and was rather superb at was gardening. He had a very large garden that included various vegetables and even a couple rows of grapevines. His knowledge of plants and gardening was extensive, and he was meticulous about it as well.

Stevie's expansive palette for food made him a great cook, a lot of which he learned from his late mother Barbara Wilson. He also credited his mother for his love of antiques. His collection was so beautiful it had a well-deserved room in the basement. However, the collection was large enough that even with an antique room, pieces graced the first floor of his home as well.

Being the third of nine children, it was no surprise that he was a family man. When other family units would breakdown, he was always there to welcome them with open arms. He welcomed other children and even adults into his home who were in need; this included family, friends and neighbors alike. He did not want you out in the cold; stray cats and dogs included. He often gave money and food from his own garden to anyone who was in need.

The great memories will stay with us forever. A father, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend to many. He touched many lives and will be missed very much.

He leaves behind memories that will forever be cherished by his four children; Jamaica Newbern, Lawanta Miller, Verl S Holder, Jr., and Jennifer Miller, brothers and sisters; Markus J. (Glenda) Holder, Sharon L. (David) Lane, Jeffery L. (Linda) Wilson, Alicia A. (Jesse) Ware, Earnest J. (Maria) Wilson III, and Christopher A. Wilson, as well as four grandchildren, and a host of nieces and nephews.

Order of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE.....	Chapel of Peace Music Ministry
PARTING VIEW.....	Immediate Family
SCRIPTURE READING.....	Adrian Wilson
Old Testament.....	Ecclesiastes 3:1-4
New Testament.....	Matthew 11:28-30 - Isaiah 57:1-2
PRAYER.....	Elder Janet Kimble Smith
SELECTION.....	Chapel of Peace Music Ministry
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.....	Mosheh Holder
POEM.....	Michael Holder
REMARKS.....	Family and Friends
READING OF OBITUARY.....	Read Silently
SELECTION.....	Chapel of Peace Music Ministry

The Eulogy

Elder Janet Kimble Smith

BENEDICTION.....	Elder Janet Kimble Smith
RECESSIONAL.....	Clergy, Family, and Friends

Interment

Evergreen Burial Park

I have fought a good fight; I have finished my course; I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me on that Day and not to me only, but unto all those also who love His appearing.

2 Timothy 4:7-8