

Pallbearers

Jermaine Williams
Corey Little
Raynard Jones
Shawn Street
Kendrick Cox
Norman Cox

Floral Bearers

Friends of the Family

Honor Guard

Lee County Sheriff's Department

Acknowledgment

The family would like to express their profound and heart-felt gratitude for every act of love and kindness extended to them during their time of bereavement. May God continue to richly bless you.

*Entombment
Lee Memory Garden Mausoleum
Sanford, North Carolina*



Professional Services Entrusted To
Knotts Funeral Home
719 Wall Street
Sanford, North Carolina 27330

Miss Me But Let Me Go...

When I come to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me
I want no rites in a gloom filled room
Why cry for a soul set free.

Miss me a little but not too long
And not a head bowed low
Remember the love that we once shared
Miss Me But Let Me Go...

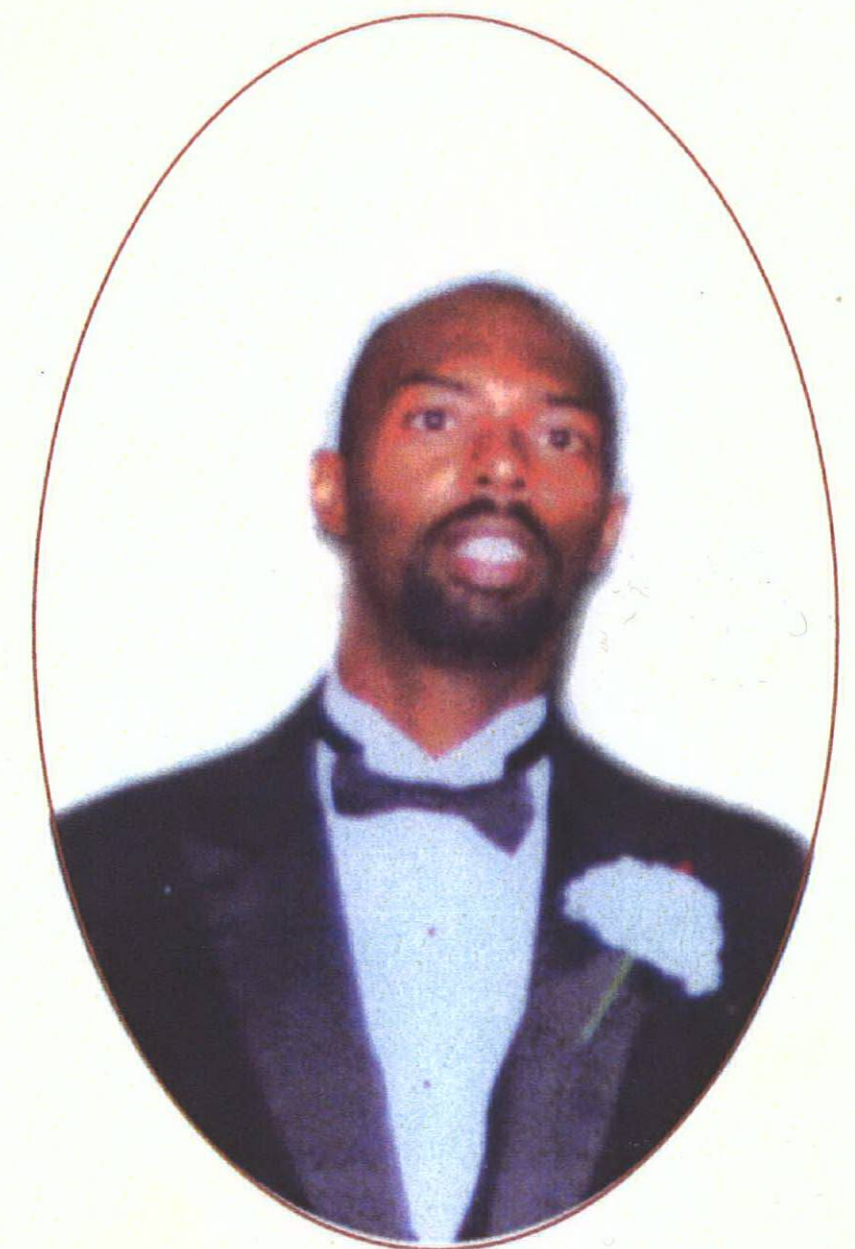
For this is a journey we all must take
And each must go alone
It's all a part of the Master's plan
A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick at heart
Go to the friends we know and
Bury your sorrow in doing good deeds
Miss Me but Let Me Go

~FAREWELL~

Farewell my dear ones, don't you weep,
For I'm at peace now, just asleep;
Farewell my children, I'm not alone
The Mighty Maker has led me safely home.
Just think back over the many years,
How sometimes we seemed so strong holding back tears;
Yet God always made a way,
I thanked Him every night for another day.
Be strong my loved ones, always love one another,
Be a thoughtful person, be a kind servant;
Be strong my loved ones, strong in heart,
The blood ties no one can ever part.
If somewhere I've made a mistake,
As you live, many you will make;
Farewell everyone, I've been called away,
Walk with God, trust in Him everyday.

In Loving Memory Of Elder Syrus McAlister White



Tuesday, October 15, 2002

1:30 p.m.

Blandonia Presbyterian Church

605 Wall Street

Sanford, North Carolina

Rev. Mamie Wilson, Pastor

Order Of Divine Worship

Organ Prelude

W.L. Holmes

*Processional and Opening Sentences

*Hymn Of Praise *"My Hope Is Built"*

*Prayer

Unison Payer of Confession

Most Holy and most merciful God, in your presence we fade the sinfulness of our nature and the error of our ways. You alone know how often we have failed by wandering from your path, by wasting your gifts and underestimating your love. Forgive us and humble us with your truth that we may be the people of God forever...Amen

*Assurance of Pardon (Minister)

Here the good news of the Gospel, in Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

*The Doxology

The Scripture Readings

The Old Testament

The New Testament



Prayer

*The Gloria Patri

Solo

Michael McNeill

The Eulogy

The Reverend Mamie Wilson

The Affirmation of Faith

Hymn *"He Touched Me"*

The Charge and Benediction

The Farewell Anthem and Sevenfold Amen

Solo

Ms. Annisa Little

Recessional

*Congregation Standing

*When Peace like a river attendeth my way,
When sorrow like sea billows roar,
Whatever my lot, Thou hath taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul".*

Drivers in procession please turn on headlights for safety

I Love You.....Not

only for what you

are,

But, For what I

am

When I am with

you..

I Love You....Not

only for what you

have made of your-

self,

But, for what you

are making of me..

I Love You....For

the part of me that

you bring out;

I Love you...For

putting your hand

into my heaped up

heart, and passing

over all the foolish,

weak things that

you can't help

dimly seeing there,

And.... For drawing out into the light all the beautiful belongings, that no one else had looked quite far enough to find.

Love, Dionne



The Obituary

Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

Syrus McAlister White was born in Lee County September 21, 1965. He was a gift from God to his parents, Donald and Sophia, and the answer to his big sister Donna's prayers.

Syrus attended elementary school in Lee and Durham Counties. Middle and High School in Lee County. At Lee Senior High School, he was a member of the Kiwanis Club and Vice-President of his Junior Class. He was inspired by Music Directors Murphy and Price to become a member of Lee Senior Marching Band, Wind Ensemble and Orchestra. In 1980, Syrus, his friends from childhood, John Howard, II and Raynard Jones formed the "Brass Force", later known as "Ambience"—their own band: Renee and Patrick Harris, Lafayette Petty, Thomas Street, Carl Woods, Arnold Baldwin and Taft Holmes. Together they had a **SOUND!!** They played Rock, Rhythm and Blues, and Jazz to entertain at school functions and street dances. He was a 1983 graduate of Lee Senior High School and the first recipient of the Charles Noel, Sr. Cup (Music award and Scholarship).

Syrus' inquiring mind and his love for music, led him to North Carolina A&T State University School of Engineering and to A&T's bands: the "Marching Machine" and Jazz Band.

He worked during High School and College at Twin City—Sanford, Duke Power Company (Engineering Department-Durham, Burlington, and Greensboro), and Hamilton Computer Store-Greensboro.

He was employed by the State as a computer consultant and worked for the University System from his office in the Library at A&T State University. In 1999 he was employed by Lee County as an Information Technology Consultant for the County's office of Management Information Services.

These were his jobs—Music was his life.

He grew up in Blandonia Presbyterian Church. Active in Church School, Youth Fellowship, Choirs, and one of the first four members of the Choral Ensemble (singing Inspirational Gospel Music). He was an Ordained Deacon and Elder, has served the church as Clerk of Session, Chaired the Worship and Nominating Committees, Director of Vacation Bible School, Musician for every choir and Minister of Music.

He has been a community musician, having played the piano or his keyboard for his church and for neighboring churches in Lee, Harnett, Chatham, Durham, and Guilford Counties.

In 1993, he and his buddies: Raynard, Shawn, Carl, Norman and Kendrick got the "call" to play Gospel Music. They formed Young Men for Christ and they have played it well.

He has been a wonderful son, a caring grandson, a very special brother, a devoted friend, a single parent for many years (a "Mr. Mom"), a devout church member, a loving husband and father, and peacemaker in time of trouble.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his wife, Dionne, their children, Syrus, Jr., Christopher, Tamica, and Vanessa White, Matthew, Issac, Lauren and Moriah Totten; his parents, Donald (Hattie) White and Sophia (Glasco)Judd; his sister, Donna (Henry)Matthews, DeShanta Dingle, and Tonya Scott; his brothers, Scott White II and Glasco Judd, III; uncles, Simpson White, Willie McLucas, Clyde Green and aunt, Ollie McLucas, nieces, nephews, cousins, his mentor in the faith, Beady Waddell, and many co-workers and friends.

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