## I AM FREE

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free.
I'm following the path God laid you see.
I took His hand when I heard him call
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your hearts and peace to thee God wanted me now, He set me free.

## Floral Bearers

North State Law Enforcement Officers Association Capital Chapter

Pall Bearers

North Carolina Highway Patrol

Honorary Pall Bearers

North State Law Enforcement Officers Association Capital Chapter



Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair Perhaps you sent a floral piece; if so, we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friends could say

Perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day. Whatever you did, whatever your part, we prayerfully thank you for consoling our hearts.

Special accolades to Lynwood's caregivers: Rev. Frinco Reaves, Mrs. Mildred Brooks and Mr. Akil Aswad. Your kindness will never be forgotten.

The Family

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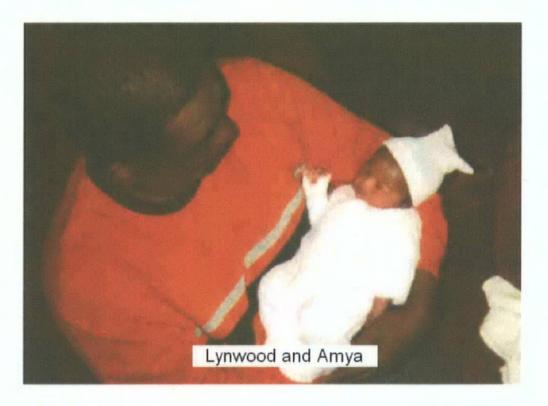
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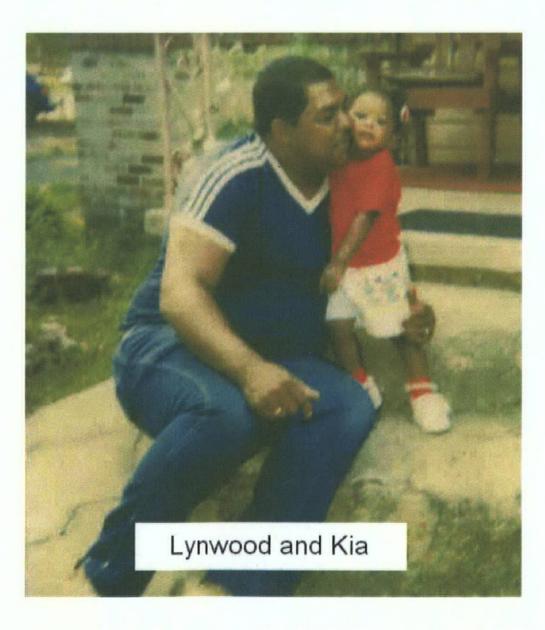
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**Interment and Fraternal Rites** 

St. Matthews A.M.E. Zion Church Cemetery

Precious Memories of Lynwood





## Mr. Lynwood Craig Richardson

Your Love has Given Me Great Joy and Encouragement, Because, You, Brother Have Refreshed the Hearts of the Saints. *Philemon 1:7 NIV* 

Mr. Lynwood Craig Richardson, the youngest child of the late William Obie and Pattie Brooks Richardson was born July 14, 1952 in Pittsboro, North Carolina. Lynwood quietly slipped away to serve in the Promise Land on September 26, 2007.

His 55-year life's journey emulated by a positive spirit and an unwavering determination was summed up in his recipe for simplicity of life, directness of purpose in self respect. He spent his life on Richardson Road surrounded by love of family and friends. After graduation from Horton High School, Class of 1970, he sought employment with the State of North Carolina in various positions. For the next thirty years, he served his State well and retired as an accomplished Law Enforcement Officer. He received numerous awards for dedicated and faithful service during his tenure.

Lynwood was a lifelong member of St. Matthews AME Zion Church where he served on the Trustee Board, Chairman of the Cemetery Committee and a member of the Male Chorus.

He was a strong, loving and giving man that always thought of others. He devoted his life first to the Heavenly Father above, then to his family and friends. His doors always stood on welcoming hinges to his friends. He was full of laughter and fun but also could be very serious. And, you always knew when he thought he was right and could not stand correction.

He was a member of St. Mark Lodge #829, the Consistory, Khalif Temple #144 and the Capital City Cruisers Car Club.

He is survived by daughter, Kia Richardson; granddaughter Amya Richardson; mother; Pattie B. Richardson; sister, Joyce R. Glover (Charlie); brother, Norris J. Brooks; aunts, Maggie Lake, Bernice Perry, Rita Richardson and a host of relatives and friends.

And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be roll back as a scroll.
The trumpet shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
Even so it is well with my soul.

The Family