### Only God Knows Why

God saw you getting weary
So he did what He knew best,
He came and stood beside you
And whispered come and rest.
You gave no one a last farewell,
Not even a good bye,
You were gone before we knew it,
And only God knows why.

Author Unknown

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

We would like to say "Thank You" for your cards, food, flowers, and, most of all, your prayers during our hours of bereavement.

May God continue to bless and keep each of you.

The Family

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# CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR Mr. Arnett Kenneth Waddell



**SUNRISE** June 23, 1932

**SUNSET** January 30, 2019

Saturday

**February 9, 2019** 

11:00am

Family Memorial Chapel Buggs-Bellamy Funeral Services 2936 Jerry Lane Jacksonville, FL 32218

Memorialization by Cremation

## The Legacy of a Good Man

Arnett Kenneth Waddell was born July 23, 1932, to Mr. and Mrs. Willie and Mabel Brown Waddell, Sr., in Jacksonville, Florida, the third of four children. He was nurtured in a loving home and he attended Mt. Olive AME Church with his family, where he accepted Christ as his Savior and Lord at the age of 13. He was baptized and participated in the youth activities of the church.

As a teen, Arnett became more involved in sports activities. He was educated in the Duval County School System, and was a standout as a tackle for the (Old) Stanton Senior High Blue Devils. Upon graduation, he attended Morris Brown College, Atlanta, GA, on a football scholarship. There, he earned a BS in Science with a minor in Physical Education, In 1955. Arnett, known by many as Daddy Rabbit, Big Bill or Big Waddell, was selected to participate as player #59 with the City and State Football Champs. He also attended Atlanta University for two Summers in 1953 and 1954. Remaining in Atlanta after graduation, Arnett was employed by the Peachtree Golf and Country Club and subsequently the Atlanta Athletic Club. Moving back to Jacksonville, he became employed by ABC as an Ordering Supervisor for the Westside for 15 years. Arnett was connected with the Sigma Phi Beta Fraternity and the Morris Brown Alumni-Jacksonville Chapter. He returned to Mt. Olive Church and served on the Pastor's Aid Society; the current pastor is Rev. James Cleare.

As his health began to wane and it became difficult for Mr. Waddell to attend Mt. Olive, he began worshiping at New Fountain Chapel AME Church, Pastor Wendell C. Webster. Upon his admission to a nursing home facility, Pastor Webster visited him often and regularly served him Holy Communion.

Brother Arnett K. Waddell passed away peacefully on January 30, 2019. He was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Waddell, Sr.; wife, Alice Hall Waddell; siblings, Willie Waddell, Jr., Dr. Maurice Waddell and Delores Waddell Terry; and a good friend and companion, Zelma L. Damon.

His memory will be cherished by his nieces, Jackie Brown, Sharon Waddell, Dr, Doris Waddell Gilliam, and Marcia Waddell; nephews, Dr. John and Douglas Waddell; first cousins, Johnnie Mae Hopkins, Eunice Harmon and Rev. Kelly Brown; sister-in-law, Doris Waddell; godson, Albert Evans (Marilyn); devoted cousin, Bruce Harmon; like daughters, Leila Brown and Dominique Mann; Stanton classmates/special friends, Betty Donaldson Prichard and Rev. Charles Scriven; friend and representive, Shirley Jordan; and a host of other relatives and friends.

### Order of Service

Pastor Wendell C. Webster, Presiding New Fountain Chapel A.M.E. Church

**Processional and Viewing** 

Selection - Congregation Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

Invocation Bro. Carl Hughes

Scripture Readings Rev. Charles Scriven

Old Testament New Testament

Ministry in Music Bro. Paul Phillips

Acknowledgements Bro. Bruce Harmon

Resolutions Funeral Home Staff

Reflections Rev. Charles Scriven

Two Others

Ministry in Music Bro. Paul Phillips

Words of Comfort Rev. James Edmondson, Jr.

Associate Minister,

Mt. Bethel Baptist Church

Committal Rites Pastor Wendell C. Webster

Benediction

Recessional