

## *"Father of the Year"*

*My Father should be Father of the Year, because He's not just any Father, He is an Extraordinary Father.*

*He is not just a Father to Me, but to five other Brothers and Sisters. He is a Father to Ten Grandchildren, and a Husband to my Mother. My Father is a type of person you can go to for anything. He has some outstanding qualities that I would like to point out:*

*He is a friend when you need someone to talk to.  
He is a bank when you need someone to loan you money.  
He is a mechanic when you need your car worked on.  
He is a clown when you need cheering up.*

*To me, my Father is definitively all the above and a lot more wonderful things. My Father is not only a Father to me, but to his nieces, nephews, and their kids and friends, too. My Father is someone who will give you his last dime (that's the kind of person he is). He is also someone who has worked all his life and still is working. If I had a million dollars, I would take care of him, like he has taken care of me for so many years. My Father should be Father of the Year, because he has truly been a Friend and Father to me. The person I nominate for Father of the Year is my Father, "James E. Wilson".*

*May God bless you on Father's Day  
"Your Daughter", Angelia Zollicoffer*

*Pallbearers*

Family and Friends

*Flower Bearers*

Family and Friends

### *Interment*

St. Mary Freewill Baptist Church

9305 Holly Springs Road

Apex, North Carolina 27502

### *Acknowledgement*

*The family acknowledges, with sincere appreciation and gratitude, all the heartfelt expressions of love, prayers, and sympathy shown during our time of bereavement.*

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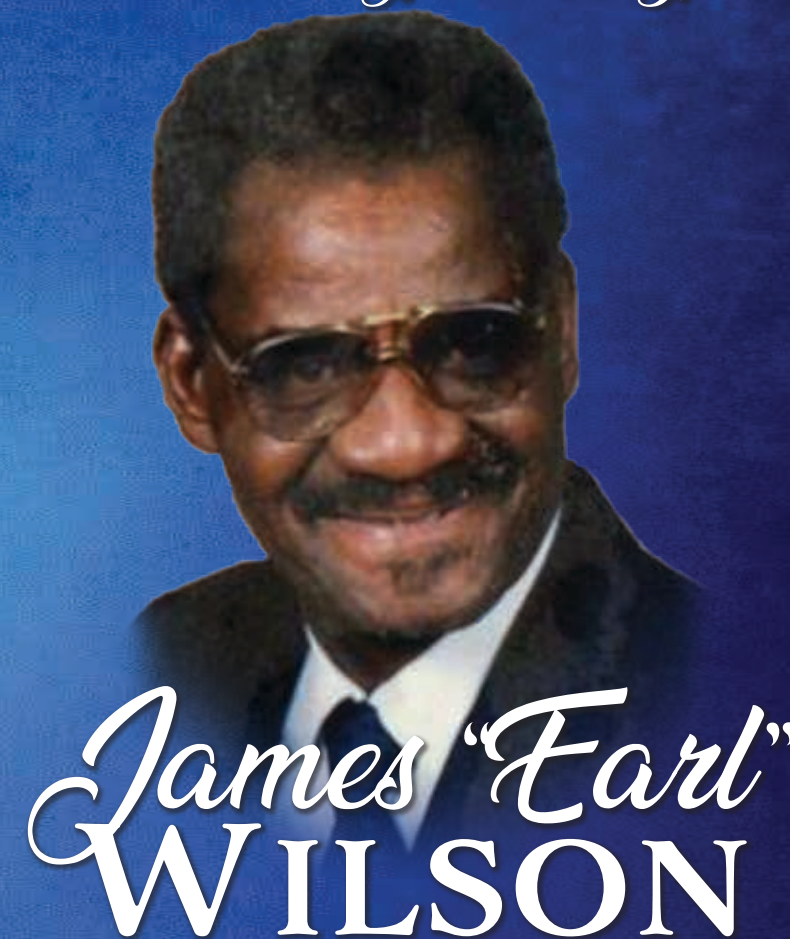
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*In Loving Memory*



*James "Earl"*  
**WILSON**

*Sunrise*

April 20, 1935

*Sunset*

August 3, 2020

Friday, August 7, 2020  
11:00 AM

**TRICE FUNERAL HOME**  
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# Obituary

# Precious Memories

# Order of Service

On April 20, 1935, in Wake County, NC, James Earl Wilson was born to the late Lacey Green Wilson and Hattie Maybelle Rozier. Earl departed from us on August 3, 2020 at his residence.

Earl was a member of St. Mary Freewill Baptist Church, under the leadership of Willie J. Hunter, Jr. Earl and Nell enjoyed their home at Myrtle Beach, SC, until he became too sick to travel. Some of his other recreations were fishing and drag racing. Earl loved spending time with his children and grandchildren and will be remembered for his wonderful sense of humor.

Earl was a backhoe operator for more than 60 years and had a reputation for being an excellent backhoe operator. Earl started three companies: Earl Wilson Service, Wilson Backhoe & Trucking Service, and Unique Construction, Inc. Earl worked on many commercial projects of which he was very proud—mostly notably, he helped on the foundations of Cary Village Mall, Crabtree Valley Mall, and many buildings in the Wake County area.

Preceded Earl in death are: his sister, Anzola Rowland; brothers, Arthur, Lacey, Jr., Octavia “Bud”, Meriland “Velvin”, and Willard; and one son, Edward “Pape” Garner.

Earl leaves to celebrate his homegoing: his wife, Nellie Ruth of Apex; his children, Daphne (Jeff Powell) of Greensboro, NC, Angelia (Anthony Zollicoffer) of Whitsett, NC, James Wilson (Audrea) of Saginaw, TX, Rickey Wilson of Las Vegas, NV, and Yvonne McLeod of Middlesex, NC; his brothers, Truman Wilson (Cora) of Raleigh, NC, and Leonard Wilson of Holly Springs, NC; sister, Ilene Lipscomb of Raleigh; and four sisters-in-law, Barbara Wilson and Doris Kearse of Raleigh, NC, and Betty (John Marrow) and Eva Kearse of Apex, NC.

He had fourteen grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren, a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins, and many friends.



- Musical Selection ..... “You Know My Name”
- Invocation
- Scriptures
  - Old & New Testaments ..... Elder Antonio Zollicoffer
- Prayer of Comfort ..... Deacon James Wilson
- Reading of Obituary ..... Silently
- Remarks ..... Two Minutes
- Musical Selection ..... “I’m Gonna Be Ready”
- Eulogy ..... Pastor Jeffrey Powell  
 Pastor Anthony Zollicoffer
- Musical Selection ..... “Really Gonna Miss You”



*THE MOUNTAIN SUMMIT BEYOND THE GLORIOUS SKY,  
 HE HAS GONE TO A COUNTRY IN THE LIGHT OF GOD MOST HIGH.*