

## IF YOU COULD SEE ME NOW

*If you could see me now you wouldn't shed a tear.  
Though you may not understand why I'm no longer  
there.*

*Remember my spirit, that is the real me because I'm  
still very much alive.*

*I've just been set free, Oh if you could only see!*

*I have beheld our Father's face and I've touched my  
Savior's hand.*

*All of Heaven's angels rejoiced as I entered the  
Promised Land.*

*Beyond the gates of pearl, I've walked on the golden  
streets.*

*I've touched the walls of jasper and dipped my foot in  
the crystal sea.*

*The beauty is beyond words and nothing could  
compare*

*I've even seen your mansion and someday I'll meet  
you there.*

*Let Jesus be your guide because His Word will show  
you the way!*

*So please don't cry because we will meet again  
someday.*

*Author: Patsy Stambaugh Deskins*

*Written by: Tauri Morrow*

### Floral Bearers

Nieces

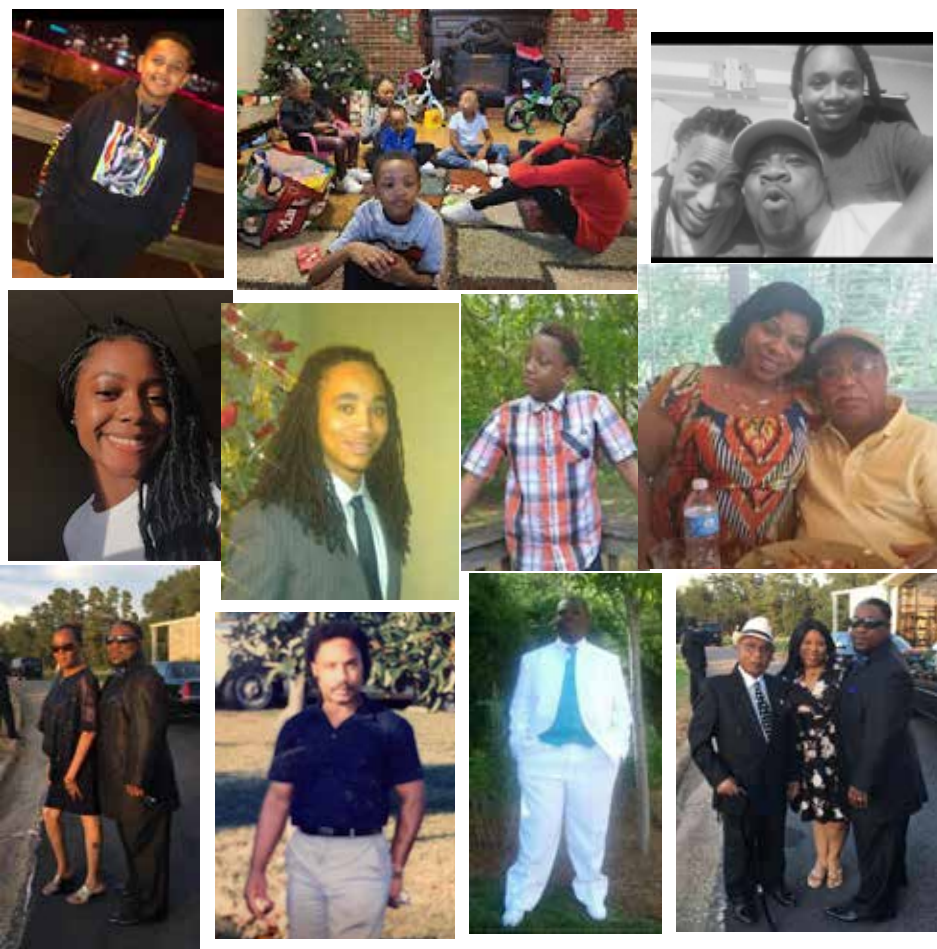
### Pall Bearers

Nephews

### Acknowledgement

We wish to express our sincere thanks and gratitude to our friends for your many comforting acts of kindness and sympathy shown during the passing of our loved one. May God bless each one of you.

The Family of Mr. Willie Joe Gaston



~ Funeral Services Entrusted To ~

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## A Celebration of Life For Mr. Willie Joe Gaston



Sunrise:  
September 15, 1944

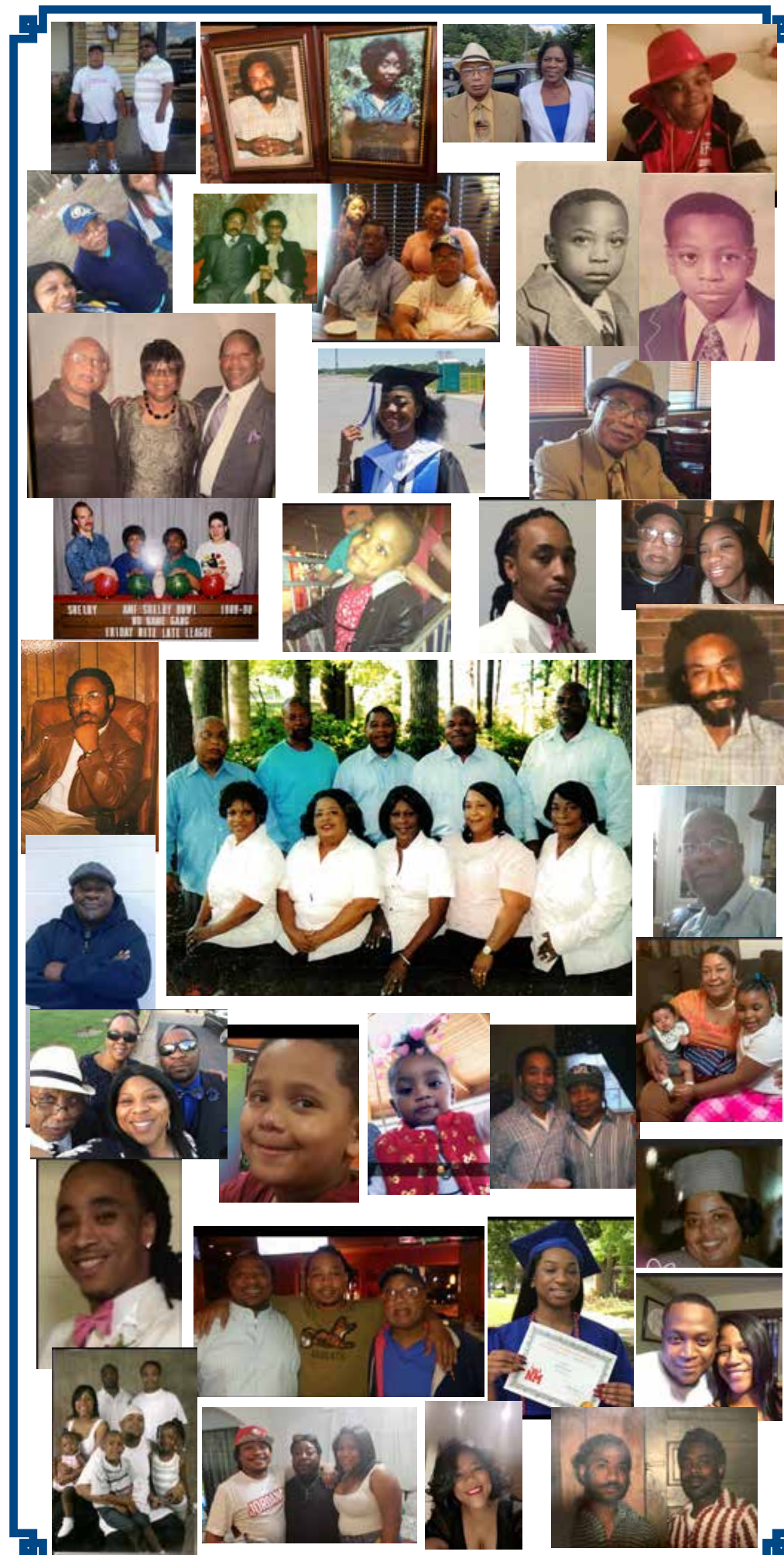
Sunset:  
January 29, 2021

Thursday, February 4, 2021  
Shiloh Baptist Church  
Shelby, NC  
Pastor Jamaal Edwards, Officiating Minister

# Order of Service

- Prelude
- Processional
- Officiating Minister.....Pastor Jamaal Edwards
- Musical Selection
- Scripture Readings
  - Old Testament.....Pastor Juan Cherry
  - New Testament.....Pastor Juan Cherry
- Prayer of Comfort.....Pastor Jamaal Edwards
- Musical Selection
- Remarks.....Mr. Edward Hardin,  
Deacon Jerry Mitchell
- Musical Selection
- Words of Comfort.....Rev. Larry Dixon
- Recessional Selection.....“Going Over Yonder”

Interment  
Sunset Cemetery  
Shelby, NC



# Obituary

Mr. Willie Joe Gaston went home to be with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Friday January 29th, 2021. Born September 15th, 1944 in Cleveland County to the late Joe Henry and Hattie Ross Gaston.

Willie Joe joined Shiloh Baptist Church at an early age and was a faithful member.

Willie Joe was a graduate of Cleveland High School and proudly served in the United States Navy with an honorable discharge and also a member of the American Legion. He was employed with J.P. Stevens and Kemet Electronics (Union Carbide) retiring after 22 years of service.

Willie enjoyed bowling and collecting music and sports. Willie Joe enjoyed taking whoever wherever they needed to go and enjoyed passing time with his family and neighbors Barbara Wilson and Carolyn Littlejohn

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Tipp Gaston and Dora Cobb (Hue); maternal grandparents Leroy and Loubissie Borders Ross; wife Evelyn Hopper Gaston whom with he fathered two children; wife Liz Kee Phelps Gaston; sister Juanita Gaston Jolley and lifetime friend Mack Hardy.

Willie leaves behind his son, Anthony Gaston (Teresa) of Gastonia, NC; daughter, Angela Gaston of Charlotte, NC; four brothers, Nathaniel Gaston (Regina) of Providence, RI, Carl Gaston Sr.; Bobby Gaston (Dorothy) both of Shelby, NC and Steven Gaston (Catherine) of Lawndale, NC; four sisters, Shirley Dixon (Rev Larry), Elaine Gaston; Faye Gaston, Annette Parrott (Randolph) all of Shelby, NC, Delores Crawford of Charlotte, NC and brother-in law Don Jolley of Kingstown, NC; grandsons, Aric Gaston (Chasity), Mario Wilson and Martrail Wilson all of Shelby, NC, Sidney Louvissie Jones of Charlotte, NC; granddaughters, Jerae' Gaston and Sophia Jones both of Charlotte, NC; step-grandchildren, Ronte' Houey of Shelby, NC, Terriall Ellis of Boiling Springs, SC and Leteashia Houey of Spartanburg, SC. Willie Joe has a total of 18 great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews and friends which include his special friends, Edward Hardin, Ken Hunt, Shirley Peak Thomas, Ruby Surratt and Brenda Hardy.

