

- *Polbearers* -  
Classmates and Friends

- *Flower Bearers* -  
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- *Interment* -  
Garden Hills Cemetery  
1218 Frederick Road  
Opelika, AL 36801

- *Acknowledgment* -

The family of the late Mr. Melvin Black acknowledges with grateful appreciation all acts of kindness, prayers, cards, telephone calls, flowers and words of comfort extended to us during our time of bereavement. May God bless you all.

IN MEMORIAM

May we take this opportunity to express sincere and deep appreciation for allowing us to serve you during this most difficult period. It is our constant aim to afford to the people of this community a service completed in all details and faultlessly executed with sympathy and understanding.



Final Arrangements Entrusted to:

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CELEBRATING  
THE  
LIFE OF  
*"Melby"*

*Melvin Angelo* BLACK

SATURDAY, JUNE 12, 2021 • 1:00 P.M.

HARRIS FUNERAL HOME CHAPEL  
515 South 6th Street  
Opelika, AL 36801

REVEREND ERIC DOWDELL, OFFICIATING

# - The Obituary -

Mr. Melvin Angelo Black, son of the late Reverend Lorinza and Mrs. Willie Lou Knight Black, Sr., was born June 6, 1970 in Opelika, AL. He was the youngest of eleven children.

At an early age, he confessed Christ and united with Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church in Notasulga, Alabama.

“Melly” as he was known by family and friends, graduated from Opelika High School Class of 1988. He attended the University of Alabama and was truly an avid, trash talking “Roll Tide” fan. Melvin was an incredibly talented and skillful person; he could draw anything and was an excellent chess player.

On Friday, June 4, 2021, he departed this life at Parkridge Medical Center in Chattanooga, Tennessee. He was preceded in death by one sister, Betty Black and two brothers, Willie “Ronnie” Knight and Lorinza Black, Jr.

Memories of his life will be forever cherished by: his siblings, Barbara Howard of Fairfield, OH, Ella (Rex) Huffman, Pat (Fred) Bennett, Jerome “Tarzan” (Christine) Black all of Auburn, AL, Reverend Kenneth (LaShawn) Black of Chattanooga, TN, Wanda Diane (Lester) Whitlow, Rita Thomas and Spencer Black all of Opelika, AL; two aunts, Mary Card of Lanett, AL and Lois Black of Chattanooga, TN; one uncle, Elder (Doris) Knight of Opelika, AL; a sister-in-law, Johnnie P. Knight of Opelika, AL; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

# - The Order of Service -

Processional

Scripture Reading:

Prayer of Comfort

Musical Selection

Obituary..... Read Silently

Musical Selection

Eulogy..... Reverend Eric Dowdell

Recessional

## *It'll Be Seeing You*

I'm at rest, so don't cry.  
It'll be easier as time goes by.  
I've done my best to live a good life,  
For I knew if I did, I would be with Christ.  
As my body lies there, it's only a shell,  
God has called me home  
And my job I've done well.  
Know that I'm happy and very content,  
For the things I've done wrong I repent.  
As I see your faces that makes me sad,  
But I have made it, for that I'm glad.  
You know and I know that it's hard on earth,  
So, you shouldn't cry at any birth.  
I have no worries, pains or fears,  
I'm with God, so dry your tears.  
I love you all, and this is what you are to do,  
Put God first in your life and I'll be seeing you.  
For Those I Love and The Many Who Loves Me