# Safely Home

I am home in Heaven dear ones; All's so happy, all so bright! There's perfect joy and beauty In this everlasting light. All the pain and grief are over, Every restless tossing passed; I am now at peace forever, Safely home in heaven at last. Did you wonder I so calmly Trod the Valley of the Shade? Oh! But Jesus love illumined Every dark and fearful glade. And He came Himself to meet me On that way so hard to tread; And with Jesus' are to lean on, Could I have one doubt or dread? Then you must not grieve so sorely, For I love you dearly still; Try to look beyond earth's shadows, Pray to trust our Father's will. There is work still waiting for you, So you must not idle stand; Do your work while life remaineth You shall rest in Jesus' land. When that work is all completed, He will gently call you home; Oh, the rapture of the meeting! Oh, the joy to see you come!

## - Acknowledgement -

The family of the late Mr. Willie James "Buck" Pitts Sr., 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.

\_Pallbearers -

Family and Friends

- Flower Attendants -

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### - In Memoriam -

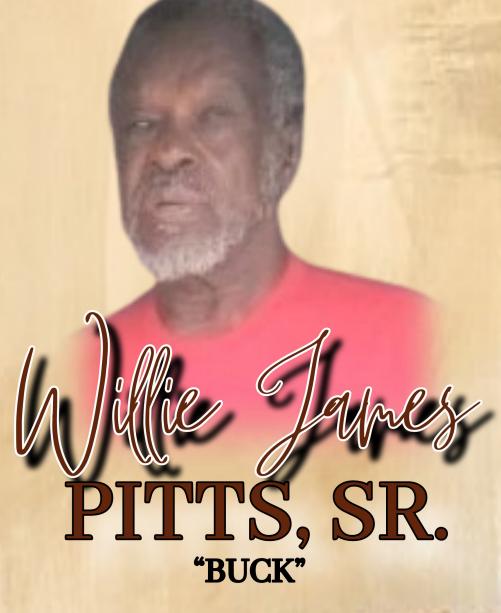
May we take this opportunity to express sincere and deep appreciation for allowing us to serve you during this most difficult period. It is our constant aim to afford to the people of this community a service completed in all details and faultlessly executed with sympathy and understanding.

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# Celebrating the Life of



Wednesday, March 15, 2023 1:00 p.m.

#### **Westview Cemetery**

700 Westview Drive Auburn, Alabama, 36830

Reverend Anthony Shealey, Officiating

## - Obituary -

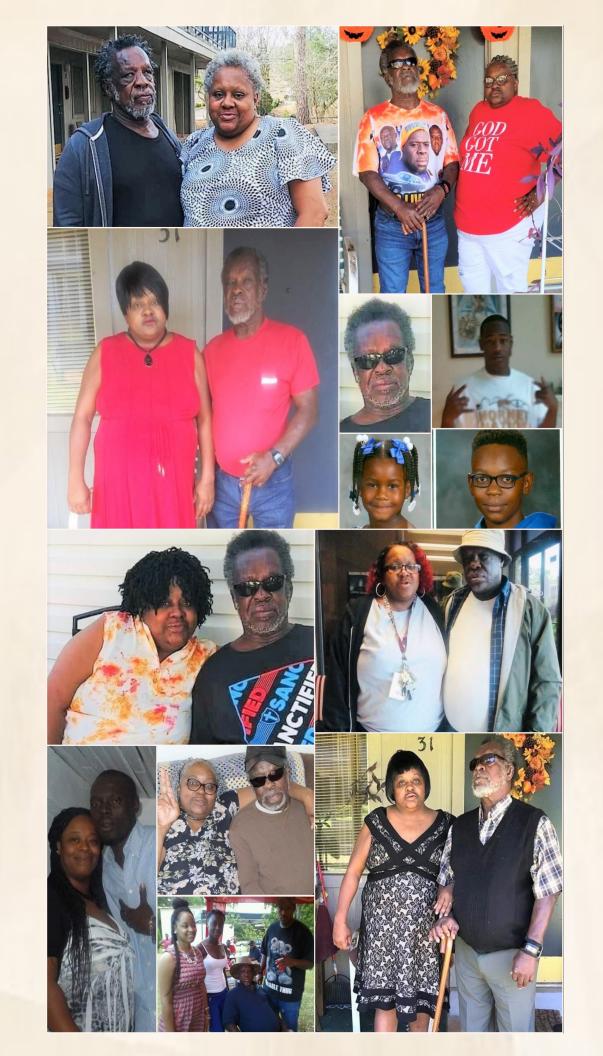
Mr. Willie James Pitts, Sr., son of the late Mr. James and Mrs. Katherine Smith Pitts, was born February 23, 1955 in Lee County, Alabama.

At an early age, he accepted Christ and united with Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church in Auburn, Alabama.

"Buck", as he was known by loved ones was self-employed as a logger. In his spare time, he enjoyed working on and repairing cars.

On Wednesday, March 8, 2023, he departed this life at the East Alabama Medical Center in Opelika, Alabama. He was preceded in death by: son, Jeffrey Martin.

He leaves to cherish his memories: a loyal and devoted fiancée of 23 years, Sherry Lockhart of Aubum, AL; four children, Melvin Pitts of Loachapoka, AL, Jessika (Abayomi) Toki of Douglasville, GA, Willie James Pitts, Jr. and Barbara Greer both of Auburn, AL; four sisters, Mattie Mae Martin, Maggie Mae Hutchinson, Florine Pitts and Betty Graves all of Loachapoka, AL; fifteen grandchildren, Jeffrey B. Martin, Deidre Martin, Xavious Holland, Brittany Bedell, Jeremy Love, Kyrtesi Pitts, Deanthony Greer, Demetrius Hicks, T'Najah Williams, Jasmine Smith, Jamarcus Mitchell, Rodricquez Pitts, Tamara Pitts, Wiltrel Pitts and Kyree Pitts; four aunts, Ruthie Mae Smith, Mary Bell Smith both of Auburn, AL, Sadie Bell Smith of Eufaula, AL and Katie Bass of Loachapoka, AL; two uncles, Joe Lewis Spratling of Auburn, AL and Lee Pitts of Birmingham, AL; one sister-in-law, Stella Pitts of Auburn, AL; host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.



## - Order of Service -

Scripture Reading

Prayer of Comfort

**Musical Selection** 

Eulogy Reverend Anthony Shealey

Committal

Benediction

## Do Not Stand at My Grave and Weep

Do not stand at my grave and weep
I am not there. I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow.
I am the diamond glints on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain.
I am the gentle autumn's rain.
When you awaken in the morning's hush,
I am the swift uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft stars that shine at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry;
I am not there. I did not die.

**Mary Frye**