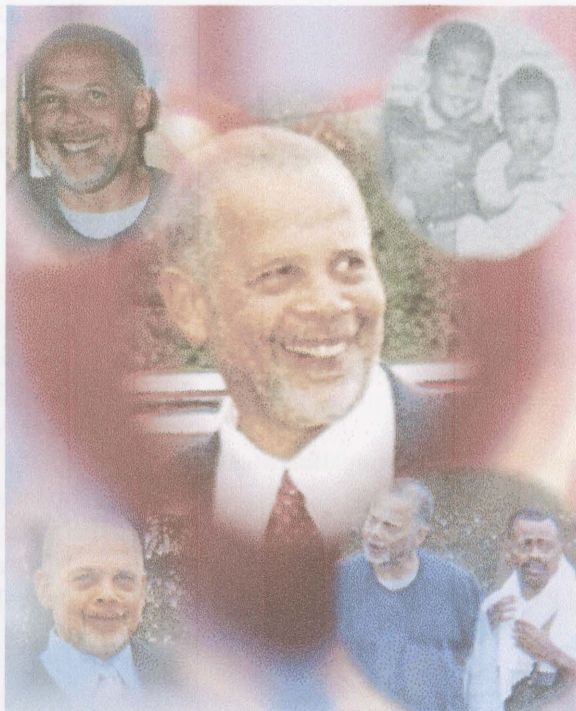


**Homegoing Celebration
for
Gary Lee Payne**



SUNRISE

**January 26, 1954
Philadelphia, PA**

SUNSET

**February 19, 2010
Mount Airy, NC**

**Tuesday, February 23, 2010
Two o'clock p.m.**

**Payne's Memorial Holiness Church
183 Marshall Farm Road
Mount Airy, North Carolina**

**Elder Dexter Brown, *Officiating*
Reverend Ashley Jones, *Pastor/Eulogist***

ORDER OF SERVICES

Musical Prelude

Earth's Final Glimpse	one-thirty until two o'clock
Words of Comfort	Elder Dexter Brown
Choir	Payne's Chapel Gospel Choir
Invocation	Guest Minister
Scripture	Old Testament
	New Testament
	Guest Minister
	Guest Minister

Obituary (To Be Read Silently)

Solo	Evangelist Leslie Allen
Acknowledgements	Barbara S. Doster
Church Resolution	Janice Simmons
Choir	Payne's Chapel Gospel Choir
Eulogy	Pastor Ashley Jones
Recessional (Congregation Standing)	
Committal/Benediction	Pastor Ashley Jones
Interment	Payne's Chapel Church Cemetery
	Mount Airy, NC
The Final Flight	Spencer Funeral Home Staff

FLOWER BEARERS

Barbara France	Janice Simmons
Daphanne Tucker	Angela Valentine
Linda Joyce	Sonya Reynolds

CASKET BEARERS

Gerome Penn	Robert Hatcher
George Cox	Tommy Cox
David Tucker	Arnold Taylor
Tim Galloway	Joe Ray Moore

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THE OBITUARY



*We little knew that morning that God was going to call your name,
In life we loved you dearly, in death we do the same.
It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone.
For part of us went with you, the day God called you home.
You left us peaceful memories, your love is still our guide,
And though we can not see you, you are always at our side.
Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.*



Mr. Gary Lee Payne, 56 of 1307 Grove Lane, Mount Airy, NC, son of the late Willie and Mildred Payne was born January 26, 1954. Life's journey ended February 19, 2010 at Northern Hospital of Surry County after several years of declining health. Gary was baptized October 28th 2007 and become a member of Payne's Chapel Baptist Church and attended as his health permitted. He was a 1972 graduate of North Surry High School, where he graduated top of his class with honors. He was also the captain of the basketball team and the President of the National Honor Society. He continued his education with a full academic scholarship and attended North Carolina Central University in Durham, NC. Gary was employed at Pine State Knitwear as a supervisor for 30 years, prior to his illness.

He leaves to cherish his memories, four sisters, Deborah P. (Richard) Towler of Danville, VA, Pamela P. (Daniel) Bautista, Ms. Milvia Willet Payne both of Mount Airy, and Ms. Carolyn P. Sawyers of Galax, VA; two brothers, James E. (Debra) Smith of Danville, VA, and Reginald F. Payne of Mount Airy; four aunts, Mrs. Ionia Smith of Charlotte, NC, Mrs. Wavie Payne of Mount Airy, NC, Mrs. Frances (Robert) Ziglar of Winston-Salem, NC, and Mrs. Rosemary Green of Mount Airy, NC; one uncle, Joe (Gracie) Green of Flint, MI; 15 nieces and nephews, 15 great-nieces and nephews; and a host of relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents Willie and Mildred Payne; sister Marcia P. Williams and brother Rev. Billy E. Payne; grandparents, George and Lonnie Sawyers Green, Peter and Carrie Gilbert Payne; five uncles, Chester Smith, Claude Smith, Edward Payne, Hoover Green, and William Green.

God Saw You Getting Tired

**God saw you getting tired,
When a cure was not to be.
So He wrapped his arms around you,
and whispered, "come to me."**

**You didn't deserve what you went
through,
So He gave you rest.
God's garden must be beautiful,
He only takes the best**

**And when I saw you sleeping,
So peaceful and free from pain
I could not wish you back
To suffer that again.**

*We would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts,
but for you all our heart has no bottom.*

**Humbly Submitted the Family of
Gary Lee Payne
1307 Grove Lane
Mount Airy, NC 27030**

