

Psalm 121

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. The LORD is thy keeper: the LORD is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.



Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God has laid you see.
I took His hand when I heard His call
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work, or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I found the peace at the close of the day.
If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joys
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart, and peace to thee-
God wanted me now; He has set me free.*

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Home Going Service Celebrating the Life

of

MR. CARL MELVIN WAY



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2021

11:00 A.M.

FORT JACKSON NATIONAL CEMETERY
4170 PERCIVAL ROAD
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

REVEREND JOSEPH AIKEN, JR.
-OFFICIATING-

Carl Melvin Way

Our Joy: May 19, 1933 - His Victory: October 27, 2021

Mr. Carl Melvin Way was born in Columbia, South Carolina on Friday, May 19, 1933, by a midwife to Reverend Stephen E. Way and "Mother" Vanilla George Way. Both preceded him in death. Carl transitioned from this earthly life on Thursday, October 27, 2021, at the blessed age of 88, at Altercare of Alliance Nursing Home, Alliance, Ohio. He spent several weeks under hospice care.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Marie Lightner-Way; his former wife, Julia Mae Tucker-Way Wilks; all of his siblings: Joseph Lee, Charles Stephen, Louise Jeanette, Zellie Earl, Olin Delano, and, just a few short months ago, his last surviving brother, Curtis Julius.

Carl grew up in Columbia, and as young teen worked with his father, who was quite the "handyman" when it came to building and repairing things. In fact when his father was building their home on Colonial Drive just across the road from the Seaboard Railways tracks, he would often reflect on how he would sleep overnight at the building sight with a baseball bat as a teen to protect the site and keep someone from stealing the lumber. He was educated in the Richland County School System, and was a proud graduate of Booker T. Washington High School, in Columbia, SC, Class Of 1951.

Shortly after graduation, he joined the United States Air Force, where he worked as a radio system repairman and electrician. His duty assignments included: Shaw AFB, SC; Donaldson Air Force Base, Greenville, SC; New England, as well as tours of duty in Alaska and Japan.

After leaving the Air Force, Carl moved to Alliance, Ohio, where he worked several jobs until starting with Pennsylvania Railroad which later became Conrail. For many years, he worked on the tracks replacing railroad ties and repairing tracks. After moving to Canton, OH, he moved to the railroad maintenance shop, and also became a driver, after he acquired his CDL (commercial driver's license) until retirement from Conrail.

Carl loved tinkering with things and just like his father, he was quite the handyman himself. He could do almost any kind of work from repairing televisions, electrical wiring, auto repair, drywall, plumbing, and even roofing. He also loved traveling, camping and fishing...especially fishing! He especially loved taking the grandkids camping, fishing, and just showing them how to do things. Carl Way loved his family, and he especially loved his grandchildren very much!

Mr. Carl Way leaves to cherish his life and mourn his passing: two sons, Christopher D. Way, of Hephzibah, GA and Kenneth L. (Marilyn) Way, of Jonesboro, GA; daughter, Valerie W. Ashford, of Columbia, SC; two step-sons, Marcus Miller, Sr., of Akron, OH and Bradford (Belinda) Miller, of Vallejo, CA; 16 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; as well as nieces, nephews, a host of other relatives, and friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

Memories



A Service of Remembrance

Presentation of Military Honors

The Call To Worship ... Reverend Dr. Harry Singleton, III

Invocation Reverend Dr. Harry Singleton, III

Old Testament Mr. Christopher D. Way, Son
Psalm 121

New Testament Reverend Dr. Harry Singleton, III
John 14: 1-6

Words of Comfort..... Reverend Joseph Aiken, Jr.
The Life Church

Committal and Benediction Reverend Joseph Aiken, Jr.



Interment

Fort Jackson National Cemetery
4170 Percival Road
Columbia, South Carolina

Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mr. Carl Melvin Way, would like to express our sincere appreciation and gratitude to all who have shown comforting expressions of love, sympathy, and prayers, during the passing of our loved one. Our hearts will always be grateful for your kindness, as we pray for a special blessing to be bestowed upon each and every one of you.