

Pallbearers

Sons, Grandsons, and Nephews

Floral Bearers

Granddaughters

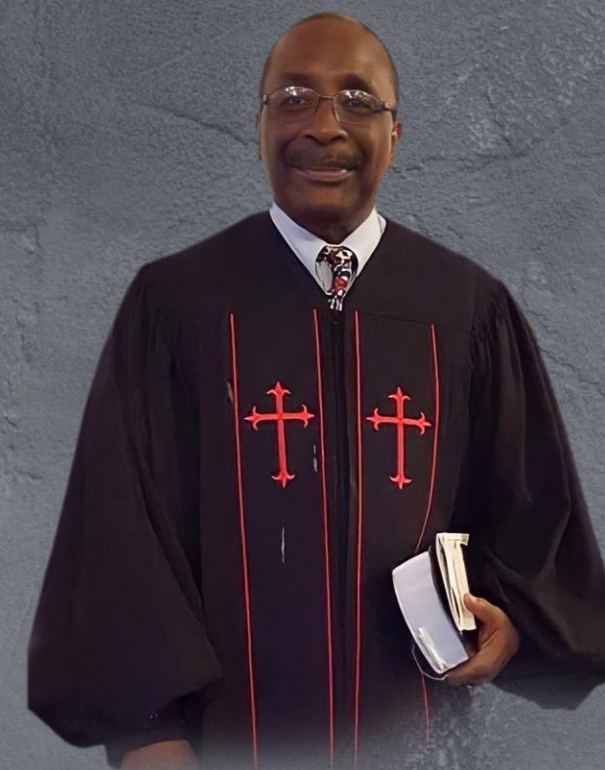
Acknowledgement

We, the family of Pastor Clyde M. Odom, deeply appreciate and gratefully acknowledge your prayers, encouragement, and other kind expressions during this extremely difficult time. Clyde loved being a Pastor and, like Christ, he came to serve.

Special thanks to: Dr. Linda Jenness-McClellan and the Veterans Group, Pamela Jones, Caregivers Tangie Peoples and Oliver Davis (Angels on Assignment), CNA's Jackie and Juwana (Faith, Hope, & Love), VA Home Health Services, and Florence Agape Hospice for the compassionate and excellent care provided.

*Homegoing Service
In Loving Memory
of*

PASTOR CLYDE M. ODOM



THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 2022
11:00 A.M.

BIBLEWAY CHURCH OF ATLAS ROAD
2440 ATLAS ROAD
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

ELDER DARRELL JACKSON
-PASTOR-

PASTOR DONALD GOUDE
-OFFICIATING-

Services Entrusted To:

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Obituary

Pastor Clyde M. Odom lived the commandment of Jesus in Luke 10:27, “you shall love the love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” Pastor Clyde’s heart was to help bring the message of the precious love of Jesus to lost and broken people.

Born on September 10, 1945 in Brooklyn, New York, Clyde was the son of the late Rev. Robert Odom and the late Martha Fowler Odom. He graduated from Erasmus Hall High School in 1963, and matriculated to Central State University, in Wilberforce, Ohio. Prior to completing college, Clyde was drafted into the Army and sent to the jungles of Vietnam in October 1967 with 23 fellow soldiers. Clyde left Vietnam one year later with only three of the original 23 soldiers getting on the helicopter to return home. His best friend, Randall Bruce Anderson was among those who died. For his service in the Vietnam War, Clyde received the Bronze Star for Valor, the Vietnam Service Ribbon with awards for valor, bronze stars, Silver Star and Bronze Arrowhead, Vietnam Service Medal, Air Medal Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal, and Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.

Following an honorable discharge from the Army, Clyde returned to Central State University, where he received his Bachelor of Science in 1970 and received a fellowship in the MBA program at Columbia University in New York.

Clyde married the late Valerie Briggs Odom and relocated to Columbia, South Carolina in 1976. He worked as a longstanding supervisor at DuPont in Camden, SC. On June 15, 1982, Valerie went to be with the Lord and Clyde continued to raise his family as a single father. God sent Clyde a “village” to help support him as he raised his family and from those relationships, Clyde received the gift of his cherished Prayer Partners — a group of men who prayed together nightly for 31 years. An avid reader, who loved to teach others about what he learned, Clyde served as a Sunday School and Bible study teacher. He also took classes at Columbia Bible College.

In 1983, he pursued a dream of entrepreneurship by opening the Rainbow Shop Restaurant on the corner of Lady and Sumter Streets in downtown Columbia, SC. Always wanting to encourage others to pursue their dreams and increase business opportunities, Clyde started Between Us Friends networking group. Clyde closed the Rainbow Shop Restaurant in 1992 and began working as the Director of Program Development for Communities in Schools of South Carolina. In 1997, he became a principal with the South Carolina Business Network which produced the *South Carolina Business Vision* Magazine, a statewide publication focusing on African American Business with a circulation of about 15,000, and produced the South Carolina Business Economic Summit.

On October 28, 1995, Clyde married Patrice Anderson Odom , his helpmate and best friend. The two blended their families and made their home in Camden, South Carolina.

From 1995-1999, Clyde served as an Associate Minister at Gordon Street Church of God in Camden, SC under the leadership of Pastor Willie Outing and Pastor Clareth B. Free. On August 10, 1997, Clyde was ordained as a minister. In 1998, Clyde authored and published, “The Power of Purpose,” a book that helps people discover there is a God given purpose for their lives. For several years, he conducted *Power of Purpose* workshops for churches, community organizations, incarcerated youth, high school and college students and downsizing corporations to teach individuals how to begin to move through the process of discovering God’s purpose for their lives.

In 1999, God called Clyde and Pat to Florence, SC and Clyde was later installed as the Senior Pastor of King of Kings Church of God in 2000. “I’m so glad He sees what we can’t see, He knows what we don’t know, and I’m so glad He called us here,” said Clyde in an interview with the Florence Morning News. His desire was that his life and ministry never become stagnant, and that he would retain the passion to know and experience the presence of God more and more. Pastor Clyde ministered in the community with the House of Hope for men and women, Florence Flourishing, “10 Minutes with Pastor Odom” for the Florence City Parks & Recreation, and various communities Pastor’s groups.

In 2014, Clyde was awarded the Marion Medallion Medal by Francis Marion University and *The Morning News* for making sustained and significant contributions to the improvement of the Pee Dee Region and its people. Pastor Odom’s heart was to help bring the Body of Christ together as one. His passion was to see the church become Kingdom-centered, and that every city would become a city of prayer.

Pastor Clyde M. Odom departed this life on Sunday, March 27, 2022. He was the beloved husband of Patrice Anderson Odom; devoted father of Meredith Odom, of Brooklyn, NY, Alana (Derrick) Odom Williams, of Columbia, SC, Eric (Berri) Sullivan, of Hampton, VA, Tyrus (Desheila) Anderson, and Quincy (Amanda) Anderson, both of Columbia, SC; he was the cherished Papa of Diamond (Matt) Wooten, Tyra Anderson, Haven Sullivan, Quentin Anderson, Jordan Anderson, Imani Anderson, Amaya Anderson, Tyrus Anderson Jr., Valerie Regan Williams, and Deana Grace Williams; and great Papa of Luci Wooten and Tykeem Green Jr. He is also survived by his sisters, Juanita Wilson, of Manassas, VA, Roberta “Barbara” McNorton, of Columbia, SC, Robert Odom Jr., of Fort Worth, Texas, Lisa Jones, of Camden, SC, and JoAnn Odom ,of Charlotte, NC; special niece, Renee (Mike) Glymph; nephew, Reggie (Deidre) Pompey; and a host of beloved nieces, nephews, and cousins; godchildren, Anastashia Brown, Jadaisha Taylor and Rayne Wilkins; other loving family and dear friends, including his Prayer Partners, and his King of Kings Church of God family.

Poem

*Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate, and humble.
1Peter 3:8*

Prelude
 Processional
 Viewing Funeral Directors
 Opening Selection..... “Every Praise” Minister Timothy G. Williams
 Scriptures
 Old Testament..... Isaiah 41; 9-10Bishop Arnold L. Williams
 New Testament _____ Pastor Ethel Richburg
 Prayer of Comfort.....Pasor Claretha Free
Good Street Church of God
 Solo..... “It Is Well” Mr. Matt Sims
 Remarks.....
 Prayer Partners – Mr. Frank Patterson, Mr. Robert Johnson, Mr. Sammy Parks and Mr. Clarence Lewis
 Church Family – Ms. Asha Bivens and Mr. Harry Richardson
 Community – Ms. Kathy Griffin and Mr. David Caldwell
 Friends - Mr. David Williams and Mr. Tony Gordon
 Family – Mr. Robert Odom and Ms. Alana Odom Williams
 Solo “Amazing Grace “ Ms. Reneé Glymph
 Words of Comfort Pastor Donald Goude, Camden, SC
 Selection “When the Battle Is Over” and “Let The Church Say Amen”
 Recessional
 Postlude

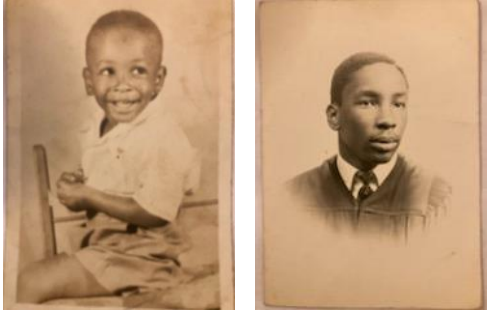


Committal, Benediction and Interment

11:00 a.m. Friday, April 1, 2022

Fort Jackson National Cemetery
4170 Percival Road
Columbia, South Carolina

Memories



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