

Mr. Wilbur Hightower

Passed 03/19/2019



Obituary for Mr. Wilbur Hightower

Mr. Wilbur Hightower passed. Celebration of Life will be held Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 11:00 am at Central United Methodist Church 501 Mitchell Street SW Atlanta GA 30314. Interment will follow at Westview Cemetery. Remains in state 9:30am.

Wilbur Hightower was born on October 29, 1945, in Griffin, Georgia, to the late John Henry and Inez Hightower. He was the second oldest of five siblings – Bobbie, Betty, Dorothy, Marian and Harold. God called him home on March 19, 2019. Wilbur's Christian journey began at an early age. He joined Archaia Baptist Church and taught Sunday school. He later became a member of Jackson Memorial Baptist Church in Atlanta. After graduating from Fairmont High School in 1963, Wilbur joined the U.S. Army. Later, he started a career with the U.S. Postal Service as a Mail Handler which lasted 34 years until his retirement in 2001. Not being one to sit around and do nothing, he joined the Atlanta Braves as a Ticket Taker where he shared his love of people. In 1983, Wilbur married Deborah Johnson and from their union Alexis Patrice Hightower was born. Not content to be a dad who simply brought in the money, he accompanied Alexis to school daily and ensured that she made it home safely after school. Wilbur had a helping heart and was seen by many as an angel in disguise, a servant. Even after he left the Atlanta Braves, he could often be found standing on his porch meeting and greeting anyone who passed by. He was the one who neighbors, friends and relatives called when they needed carpenters, auto mechanics, roofers, or just keeping an eye on their homes. He showed them that he had a listening ear and cared for them. To many he was known as "the man on the porch". Wilbur was preceded in death by his sisters Betty Griggs-Bowden and Marian Parks and his brother Harold Hightower. He is survived by his wife Deborah Hightower; daughters Alexis Hightower, Kristie Hightower, Shonda Hightower, Monica Brown(Andre), Geisha Shannon; son Omar Hightower; sisters Bobbie Hill, Dorothy Knox(Larry); sisters in law Monique Mabry(Henry), Arrie White(Kenneth); brother in law Vernon Johnson(Genny); nieces Lakeisha Parks, Dovie Smith, Felicia Parker(Christopher), Shenika Lawrence, Mechelle Fears(Thornton), Sharrie Edwards(Patrick); nephews Jason Griggs, Mario Knox(Aranya), Andrico Knox, Victor Dozier; many grandchildren, great nieces and nephews, cousins and extended family and friends.

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GUEST BOOK

Please accept our sincere condolences for the loss of Wilbur. We pray our loving Heavenly Father (Psalm 83:18) grants you peace and comfort during the challenging days ahead.

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May God bless your family in this time of sorrow. Hightower was a good friend and will be missed by many. Cleater Webb and family

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My sympathy to you and the family. So sorry to hear of your loss. ~ Mike & Helen Bowden

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I was shocked when I got the news that my dear friend that I share the same birthday with and worked with for so many years was gone my heart is aching as I send my condolences to the family and to Debra

and his kids may God give you all the strength to get through this. With all my prayers RIP my friend Racine Harden.

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We were shocked and sadden to hear of Wilbur's passing. We grew up together in Griffin, Georgia. He was our first friend that we met in the neighborhood; we attended the same church and public schools together. I could never think of him without smiling and remembering the trouble both good and bad that we (my brother Harry, Peter.Wayne and Rabbit (Gidden)) would get into the community Our prayers are with you during this time. David and Harry Rucker-Orlando, Florida

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To the Hightower Family, Wilbur was my Classmate, may you find Comfort and Peace, Joy comes in the Morning. Sandra Milner,Daniel

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My deepest condolences to the Hightower family. I hold Brother Hightower and Debra in the highest regard. God Bless. James B. Shropshire

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Sympathy and condolences to you Dorothy and your family at this time in your lives. Prayers for comfort and strength. Sandra Scott Harris

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My deepest heartfelt sympathy for the Hightower Family and Friends.Heaven has no sorrow that God cannot heal...May God lift you up in your days to come..Vivian B.Gamble and Family

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Dorothy and Family so sorry for your loss of your brother. John and Blanche McCrary

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Sending prayers and Our Deepest Sympathy to his loving Family. Love, Eddie & Hazele Price, Cleveland Ohio.

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I may not be there with you in person but I am there in spirit.May God bless your family and keep you close. A man's goodness is a flame that can be hidden but never extinguished. May Wilbur Goodness live forever. Always Yvonne Fergerson Gould

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I send my sympathy to his family, God Bless!! Shirley A. Smarr.

May it be comforting to know that even in this of sorrow, memories of your loved one will always endure. Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us everyday. May the Lord grant you strength and peace during this difficult time. The Phillips Family

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I want to offer my condolences to the Hightower family and friends. Our Almighty Heavenly Father knows the pain you feel from the loss of your love one. He did not purpose his human family to die but to live and enjoy life forever. This is still his purpose (Psalms 37:11, 29). He calls death an enemy that will be removed forever along with all pain and suffering__ 1 Corinthians 15:26; Revelation 21:4 "And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore." Notice his promise to awaken all those in the memorial tombs from asleep in death-- Isaiah 26:19 "Your dead will live ...Awake and shout joyfully you residents in the dust! ...the earth will let those powerless in death come to life." What a delight it will be to see them again! Allow these words to keep comforting all of you.

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