



Overton D. Wright

September 8, 1964 - February 25, 2023

Overton DeWayne Wright was born September 18, 1964 in Memphis, Tennessee to Overton Vertis Wright, Sr. and Earnest Mae Bobo both who has preceded him in death. Overton was baptized at a very early age at Greater White Stone Missionary Baptist and again at Temple of Deliverance Church of God in Christ under the leadership of the late Bishop G.E. Patterson.

Overton graduated from Hillcrest High School in 1983 where he was on the varsity basketball team. After graduating, Overton joined the U.S. Army in 1984 and was honorable discharge in 1989 and then joined the U.S. National Guard from 1990 to 1994.

Overton retired in December, 2018 with thirty-one (31) years as a Deputy Jailer for 18 months and then as a Shelby County Deputy Sheriff for the remainder of his tenure. Not one to just sit, he began working at University of Tennessee Health Sciences as a Police Officer for three (3) years.

Overton show unconditionally love for the Lord and shared his many God-given talents as a choir director, a singer (both lead and back ground) and being one of the best drummers of all times where he played at Temple of Deliverance, Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church and New Hope Baptist Church. His gift for singing was always on display as his tenor voice could be heard singing in church choirs, weddings, homegoing celebrations, family

gathering and with gospel groups as “Perfect Praise” and” Appointed” where he minister songs of praise for seven (7) years. Overton also had a keen ear for music as he self-taught himself how to play the piano. Overton also was very active at his current church, Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church serving as Amour Bearer to Pastor Johnson and in other various roles until his health failed.

Overton had a sense of humor and was a big jokester that could make you cry and laugh at the same time.

Overton had many names. Whether you affectionally called him, O.V.; Wayne, Daddy, Uncle, Brother, Friend, Confidant; he was always respected and loved by so, so many, even by people he didn’t know, but they knew him.

Overton leaves to cherish his memories, his best friend and loving wife Carolyn Hinton-Wright; one son, Overton DeWayne Wright, Jr.; two daughters; Keosha’ Wright and Tikoria Arnold; one god-son, Carlos Payne , three sisters; Linda Morgan-Woods, Dorothy Morgan-Brent (Tyrone) and Gail Smith (Reginald); two brothers, Esker Bobo (Alberta); Jessie Morgan (Tena), four grandchildren, numerous nephews, nieces, cousins, aunts, uncles and many, many friends.

Cemetery Details

West Tennessee Veterans Cemetery

4000 Forest Hill Irene Rd.
Memphis, TN 38125

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 3. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (cst)

Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church
7289 Stage Rd.
Memphis , TN 38133

Visitation

MAR 4. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (cst)

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Memphis , TN 38133

Service

MAR 4. 1:00 PM (cst)

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Tribute Wall

VJ

“ *Veronica Jones lit a candle in memory of Overton D. Wright*



Veronica Jones - March 06, 2023 at 09:53 AM

BJ

“ *I will always remember you and that smile every time you would see me at 201 and you would say HEY THERE BABY GURL. STAYING OUT OF TROUBLE. Then we would hug and say catch ya later. I'm truly gonna miss your Facebook posts your singing And your jokes. Rest on OUR SONGBIRD AND GENTLE GIANT OV. LOVE YA AND YOU WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN.*



brandy jackson - March 05, 2023 at 07:25 PM

FC

“ *Fredia Campbell lit a candle in memory of Overton D. Wright*



Fredia Campbell - March 04, 2023 at 09:33 AM

RH

“ Robin Harris lit a candle in memory of Overton D. Wright



Robin Harris - March 03, 2023 at 05:57 PM

PS

It's my PRAYER that GOD gives the family the PEACE and STRENGTH they will need at this time in their lives

Patricia M. Sykes - March 04, 2023 at 07:30 PM

JA

“ Johnny & Luella Ayers lit a candle in memory of Overton D. Wright



Johnny & Luella Ayers - March 03, 2023 at 10:13 AM

DC

“ The Champion Family sends condolences to the Wright Family. Talented beyond words



Dr. Carol L. Champion - March 03, 2023 at 08:44 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Overton D. Wright.*



March 03, 2023 at 12:07 AM



“ *The Buggs Family lit a candle in memory of Overton D. Wright*



The Buggs Family - March 02, 2023 at 11:58 PM



“ *Anthony Dwayne Nabors lit a candle in memory of Overton D. Wright*



Anthony Dwayne Nabors - March 01, 2023 at 04:06 PM



“ *Andre Monroe lit a candle in memory of Overton D. Wright*



Andre Monroe - March 01, 2023 at 11:14 AM



My prayers and condolences to the family 🙏

Luceal Jordan - March 03, 2023 at 08:39 AM



*My choir member who I will always remember his Genuine love for people And most of all the love here for the Lord. We will miss you 🙏
🙏🙏 But your spirit will live on.*

Cynthia Poole - March 07, 2023 at 09:47 PM