

FLORAL ATTENDANTS

Rita Alston  
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Tanya Fullwood  
Candace Reaves Hollomon  
Brandy Keith  
Pamela Keith

PALLBEARERS

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We, the family of the late James Randolph Fullwood, appreciate all of your support.  
We will always hold in grateful remembrance your kind and precious sympathy for our loss.  
May God shine his blessed light of mercy upon each of you.

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

Donations may be made to the Historic Union Chapel School Foundation, Inc.  
(EIN 92-1672062), a cause close to James's heart.

SPECIAL THANKS

Coark Homecare  
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Raleigh, NC 27603  
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Duke Homecare and Hospice  
4321 Medical Park Dr # 101  
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314 South Poplar Street  
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Johnson's Catering  
3649 Merestone Drive  
Wilmington, NC 28412  
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FINAL ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO

Dunn Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc.  
810 West Wilmington Street  
Burgaw, NC 28425  
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IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
JAMES RANDOLPH  
FULLWOOD

JUNE 23, 1948 - SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

SEPTEMBER 19, 2025, 01:00 PM  
EBENEZER MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
2929 PRINCESS PLACE DRIVE, WILMINGTON, NC 28405

OFFICIATING: REVEREND DARYL JONES





## When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

David Romano

When tomorrow starts without me,  
And I'm not there to see,  
The sun will rise and find your eyes,  
All filled with tears for me.  
I know how much you loved me,  
As much as I loved you,  
And each time that you think of me,  
I know you'll miss me too.  
When tomorrow starts without me,  
Please try to understand,  
That an angel came and called my name,  
And petted me with her hand.  
I thought about our lives together,  
I know you must be sad,  
I thought of all the love we shared,  
And all the fun we had.  
So when tomorrow starts without me,  
Don't think we're far apart,  
For every time you think of me,  
I'm right there in your heart.







# Order of Service

Musical Prelude.....Musician  
Processional.....Clergy, Family and Friends  
Musical Tribute.....“Oh, I Want to See Him”.....Choir  
Invocation.....Rev. Daryl Jones, Pastor, Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church

## Holy Scriptures

Old Testament .....Psalm 23.....Reverend Dr. Keith Gavin  
New Testament .....John 14:1-6.....Reverend Dr. Keith Gavin  
Prayer of Comfort.....Reverend Linwood Keith  
Musical Selection.....Choir  
Solo.....“Wind Beneath My Wings”.....Ricky Waddell, Musician

## Tributes and Expressions (Limit 2 minutes)

Retired Honorable Judge Ernest Fullwood (Family)  
Malcomb D. Coley Sr., Retired Managing Partner at Ernst & Young (Friend)  
Herbert Mosely, Retired Philadelphia Int’l Laborers Ed. & Training Fund (NCCU Classmate)  
Kenneth Keith, Retired Educator and former Pender County School Board Member (Family)  
Printess Fullwood, Retired Registered Nurse Duke University Hospital System (Family)  
Janice Stokes, NC Department of Public Safety Division of Community Correction (Co-Worker)  
Lorenzo Keith, IT Director, Capital One Financial Corporation (Brother)  
Deacon Alexander Sloan, III, Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church (Church Representative)

Musical Selection.....Choir  
Acknowledgements.....Sharon Jenkins, Church Clerk

## Obituary (Read Silently)

Solo.....“I Won’t Complain” .....Deacon LeRon Montgomery, Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church  
Eulogy.....Reverend Fred Webb, Jr.  
Mortician in Charge.....Dunn Funeral & Cremation Services  
Recessional.....“Going Up Yonder”.....Choir  
Internment.....Lamb Fullwood Keith Family Cemetery  
80 Union Chapel Road, Burgaw, NC 28425  
Repat immediately following the burial.....Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church  
12401 US Hwy 421, Burgaw, NC 28425

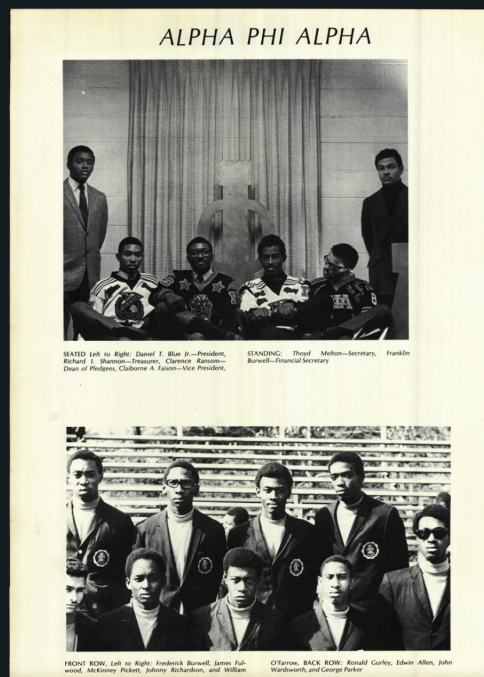


# Legacy of Life

James Randolph “Woody” Fullwood, 77, of Raleigh, North Carolina, transitioned peacefully on September 8, 2025, leaving behind a legacy defined by service, leadership, and love of community. James was the beloved son of the late Nora Louise Lamb (Fullwood) Keith (Alton) and James Solomon Fullwood. A proud graduate of CF Pope High School’s 1966 graduating class, he went on to earn a Bachelor of Science in Commerce from North Carolina Central University in 1970, where he was named to Who’s Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities and where he joined his beloved Beta Gamma Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated (Fall 1968). He later became a Certified Public Manager through the state of North Carolina, a testament to his enduring commitment to public service and professional excellence.

Drafted into the United States Army in 1971, James served as a Pay and Disbursing Specialist and a leader in race relations at Fort Carson, Colorado. He chaired multiple racial harmony councils, representing over 3,000 soldiers, and was awarded the prestigious United States Army Commendation Medal of Honor in Race Relations (1973) for his groundbreaking work fostering unity and understanding. His Army years also brought recognition as Soldier of the Month on several occasions, foreshadowing the decorated career that would follow.

For more than three decades, James shaped the fabric of North Carolina’s justice system. He rose through the ranks of the North Carolina Department of Correction to become Second Judicial Division Chief of the Division of Community Correction, overseeing 21 counties and more than 700 staff. He spearheaded the launch of the Intensive Probation and Parole and Electronic House Arrest programs, pioneering new approaches to rehabilitation and community safety. Throughout his career, he was celebrated as Outstanding Young Correctional Officer by the Wilmington Jaycees (1979), received the Dr. John R. Larkins Award (2007), was honored with the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Leadership Award (2007) and the NCCU Criminal Justice Board Chairman Award (2008).



James’s influence extended far beyond his profession. A tireless civic leader, he served on numerous boards including the NCCU Criminal Justice Board of Directors, Cape Fear Area United Way (Past Vice President), Pender County Black Focus Board (President 1975–2009), Southeastern Mental Health Board, Family Services Board, and Offender Aid Restoration (Past President, Wilmington chapter and National Board). He founded and chaired the Southeastern Cultural Arts Coalition and helped lead the restoration of the Historic Union Chapel School, preserving local history for future generations. He also played a pivotal role in the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway Project, completed in 2001.

Faith anchored James’s life. As a longtime member of Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church in Wilmington, NC, he served on the Trustee Board, taught Sunday school, and supported the Program and Building Committees. He was a proud Prince Hall Mason (Hanover Lodge No. 14) and a devoted brother of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., having served as a Charter Member of the Gamma Kappa Lambda Chapter (Port City Alphas) and as Past Executive Secretary of the Association of North Carolina Alpha Men.

Though known for his distinguished titles and countless awards including multiple Cape Fear Area United Way Service Awards (1982–1984) and the A.M. Gus Witherspoon Leadership Award (1972), James was equally known for his warmth, generosity, and joyful spirit. Photography was his passion, however; he loved fishing, gardening and landscaping, walking, reading, writing short stories and poems. He lifted others with his humor, inspired with his words, and left everyone better than he found them. This was also exemplified through his former position as the President of the Homeowner’s Association of The North College Park Subdivision, Raleigh, NC and as the North Carolina Commissioner on the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Commission.

James was preceded in death by his parents and siblings Ruth Hazelene Fullwood Reaves (Marion), James Eunice Fullwood (Thomasina), Joyce Fullwood Reaves (Alvin), Donald Ray Fullwood, and Lafayette Fullwood Frederick (Sherman). He is survived by his siblings Arlester Fullwood (Mary) of Warsaw, NC; Jerelene F. Carver (Van) of Durham, NC; Alton I. Keith (Yvonne) of Wilmington, NC; Lorenzo R. Keith (Debbie) of La Plata, MD; and Demetrice A. Keith of Burgaw, NC, along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, fraternity brothers, and friends who will carry his legacy forward.