

"Celebrate My Life"
Carl Windell McCloudy

Sunrise July 16, 1931 – Sunset September 16, 2004



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Tuesday, September 21, 2004
11:00 A.M.

Smith Chapel A.M.E. Church
2406 Childs Street • Dallas, TX
Rev. James Ford, Pastor

"Celebrate My Life"/Melody in the Key of Life

Abiding Love/Order of Service

Notes of Love/Great is Thy Faithfulness

*Let there be
Music
In my heart
Throughout all seasons. . .
Let my spirit sing
A song of hope
In happiness or tears. . .
Let me live my life
In harmony with God,
At peace with others,
As love plays out
The melody of all my days
And years. . .*

Music Therapy 25

*As we listen to music,
We notice that each note, each beat,
is in relation to another;
each cord relies on
the interdependence of several notes.
Hear in the these strains the music of life itself,
and celebrate your connection with others.*

*God grant me
Serenity to start each day
On a joyful note
Courage to sing
The songs of my soul, and
Wisdom to trust
You always accompany me.*



Notes of Love/Great is Thy Faithfulness

*Music leads us to the windows of heaven
and lets us gaze within.*



*God gave us music that we might
pray without words.*



Order of Service

Processional

PrayerRev. Barron Nelson

Scriptures

Old TestamentRev. Lincoln Webber

New TestamentRev. Michael Waters

Instrumental SelectionDr. Herbie K. Johnson
"Precious Lord"

ResolutionsSmith Chapel A.M.E. and Others

Reflections Family

Remarks*Limit Two Minutes*

Special Musical Selection*"Celebrate My Life"*
(Obituary Read Silently)

Eulogy Rev. James W. Ford

Recessional

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“Celebrate My Life”

Carl Windell McCloudy was born July 16, 1931 in Dallas, Texas. His parents were Jessie C. McCloudy, Daphne Elynn Agee McCloudy Howard, and John Howard. He was the big brother of Dolores Janice McCloudy-Burton. He accepted Christ as a child and was a member of Smith Chapel A.M.E. Church when the church was located on Tenth Street.

He was inspired by Benny Goodman and received his first instrument, a clarinet, at age six. Henceforth, his journey began with a love of music and a desire to master music. He and several of his childhood friends recall wonderful jam sessions in the family shed or on the front porch. He was a 1948 graduate of Lincoln High School and a proud member of the Tiger Band under the direction of Dub Miller. As his musical journey continued, he learned to play the baritone, tenor, and soprano saxophones. After high school graduation, Carl joined the United States Air Force and served as an airman under General O.W. Davis. During his tour, he continued to play musical instruments and travel extensively in an Air Force Band and played many venues. He was honorably discharged from the Air Force and enrolled in Huston-Tillotson College in Austin, Texas. While in college, he pledged Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, and met his lovely and devoted wife of 50 years, Mrs. Dorothy Jean Willis McCloudy.

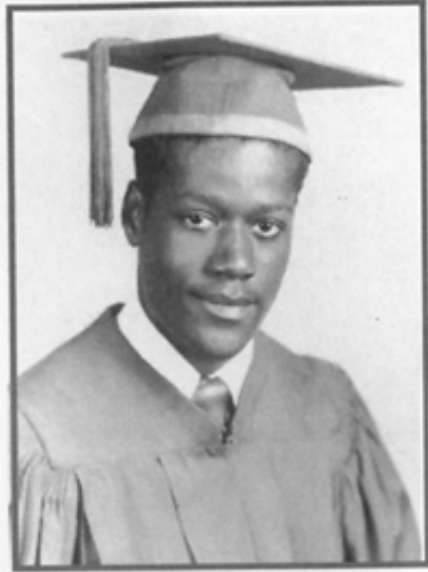
After college graduation, Carl and Dorothy Jean married on September 4, 1954 and moved to Denison, Texas where he accepted his first teaching assignment as the band director of Terrell High School. To this union one son, Lester La Mont McCloudy and one daughter, Karla Jean McCloudy were born. Carl was hired by DISD in 1963 as band director at Pearl C. Anderson Jr. High School. He later taught at Madison High School, Spence Jr. High School, Lincoln High School, Kimball High School, and several elementary schools in DISD. While working in DISD, Carl received master's degrees in Education and Music, and a Doctorate of Education from East Texas State University, now known as Texas A&M University - Commerce.

He served the Smith Chapel A.M.E. Church family as a member of the youth choir, the first President of the Sons Of Allen, a trustee, and founder of the Carl McCloudy Band until his health failed. He was a beautiful melody: a harmoniously sound and caring man. His life was music and music was his life.

He “celebrates his life” with his devoted wife, Dorothy Jean McCloudy; son, Lester LaMont McCloudy; daughter, Karla McCloudy-Dangerfield; sister, Dolores Janice McCloudy-Burton; nephew, Don Howard McCloudy; grandchildren, Jamie McKinsey, Jessica Monet Mc Cloudy, and Kristopher Jarrod Dangerfield; mother-in-law, Betty R Willis; one brother-in law, Clyde L. Willis; his extended family, Marilyn, Big & Little Ron, Evelyn, Keisha, Ambreon, Peggy, Margaret, and Christina; along with several cousins, friends, and students.

But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint

Isaiah 40:31



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Acknowledgement

We the Family wish to thank you our friends for being there
“in good times and bad times.” Knowing we can always count on you,
gives us the melody of strength, prayer of comfort, courage, and love.
“That’s what friends are for . . .”

The Family

Honorary Pallbearers

Tim Armstong
Dominic Strickland
Lawson Turner

Michael Prowell
Ron Thomas
Roland Webber

Active Pallbearers

Stewards and Trustees

Musical Staff

Sons of Allen

Interment

Laurel Land Memorial Park
Dallas, Texas

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~Arrangements and Services Entrusted To~



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