

Pallbearers

(His Coaching Staff from Frederick A. Douglass High School)
Willis Alexander
Tommy Griffin
Phil Ingersol
Marvin Mack
Harvey Ryan
Donta' Stepeny

Larry Joubert

Honorary Pallbearers

(His Coaching Staff from Frederick A. Douglass High School)
Stanford White
Alonzo Shipp
Victor Carruthers
Willie Kelley

Susan McKee

Flower Bearers

Alice Albritton WMU

Honorary Flower Bearers

Lily of the Valley #7 OES

Interment

Rose Hill Burial Park • 6001 N.W. Grand Blvd.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73118

Please drive with your lights on for safety and fasten your seat belts.

Acknowledgement

The family of Clarence T. Wells wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expression of love, concern, and kindness shown to them during the hour of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep you!

VA Hospital, Dr. Pope & Staff, Good Shepherd & Staff, Sunbeam Companions

Repast

Tabitha Baptist Church
1219 N.W. Grand Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK 73117

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"We Care"

In Loving Memory of
Clarence T. Wells



Sunrise

August 3, 1932

Sunset

February 19, 2020

Services

Friday, February 28, 2020 - 10:00 a.m.

Tabitha Baptist Church

*1219 N.E. Grand Blvd.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma*

Pastor Jeff Mitchell - Officiating

Obituary

Clarence Thomas Martin-Wells, was born August 3rd 1932, in Oklahoma City, the son of Lucille and Clarence T. Martin Sr., Clarence Junior was later adopted into the large, friendly family of George and Irene Hunter Wells, the sister of his mother Lucille who, unfortunately died the day Clarence Jr. was born.

At age 11, Clarence confessed his love for the Lord and was baptized under the leadership of Pastor E. W. Perry at Tabernacle Baptist Church. In 2001, Clarence united with Tabitha Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Jeff L. Mitchell.

His early education was gained at Page Elementary School. He then went to Douglass High School, participating in band, basketball, baseball, the Debate Club and President of the Hi-Y Club. Upon graduation he received a music-band scholarship to Grambling University where he played in the Tigers first high stepping band. Clarence transferred to Lincoln University. After completing a year's residence, he joined the United States Air Force. After four enlightening years, with stops in San Antonio, Texas—Biloxi, Mississippi – Galena, Alaska and the 746th AC & W Squadron in Oklahoma City, Staff Sergeant Clarence (C.T.) Wells had returned to his home.

Not for long though....There was a brief one year stay at Arkansas – Pine Bluff University but Clarence again heard home calling and returned to Oklahoma City and went to work at the United States Post Office where he worked for 16 years. He next spent 15 years at the Oklahoma City Geological Library followed by 5 years as a Security Screener Supervisor at the Will Rogers World Airport. Finally, Clarence spent 15 years as Control Center Supervisor at the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum, the Cowboy Hall of Fame. During all this time C.T. Wells also wrote sports column, first the Oklahoma Post then, the Black Dispatch and the Tribune and finally, the Black Chronicle until 1992. Also, during most of this time he kept statistics for Douglass football and later, also for Douglass basketball teams.

Known to Douglass athletes as the “Kansas City Smack Man” he touched many young athletes’ lives. Many of these young men went to college and some went on to play pro football, basketball and baseball.

Clarence loved all sports and was really active in tennis, his favorite pass time. While active he won numerous tournament trophies playing doubles with several talented and competent partners. He also briefly taught tennis. One summer, working for the Ione Branch YWCA. Clarence had six classes with about 208 women taking instructions.

C.T. leaves to mourn his wife Callar M. Wells, his niece Patsy Wells. Clarence is the father of two sons Michael and Brian Wells, three daughters Tiva (Husband Les) Jackson, Tiffani Wells and Angela P. Neal and a host of Grand and Great Grandchildren.

Order of Service

Processional Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family

Prayers

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament Pastor Robert Miller

New Testament Pastor Marcus Snell

Musical Selection (Solo) Brother Emmitt Grayson

Resolution Eunice Russell

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Remarks Willis Alexander, former Douglass Football Coach

Eulogy Pastor Jeff Mitchell

Video Tribute

Recessional

23rd Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.