



## **HOMEGOING CELEBRATION**

*In Loving Memory  
of  
Steven Duane McCluney*

*Sunrise: October 14, 1948*

*Sunset: May 6, 2021*

*I loved my family and cared for my friends.  
If someone needed, I lended a hand.  
I did my best to do what was right.  
The Lord has called; now I bid you a good night.  
(by Bootiful)*

### **Honorary Pallbearers**

Stefon Coleman

Leon Robinson

Kelon Sauls

Lawrence McCluney

Roger Humphries

Douglas Hayes

### **Active Pallbearers**

Ronnie Ross, Sr.

Ronnie Ross, Jr.

Charles E. Handshaw

LeMerle Robinson

Delbert Faine

JaRon Love

### **Interment**

*Hillcrest Memory Gardens,  
12825 N.E. 50<sup>th</sup> St., Spencer, OK 73084*

### **Acknowledgments**

*We, the family of Steven Duane McCluney wish to  
express our sincere appreciation and thanks for all acts  
of kindness shown during our time of bereavement.  
May God continue to bless each of you.*



**Friday, May 14, 2021  
11:00 a. m.**

**Temple & Sons Funeral Directors  
2801 N. Kelley Avenue  
Oklahoma City, OK  
Chaplain Emily Hughes, Eulogist**

## Steven's Journey

Steven Duane McCluney, was born in Kansas City Kansas on October 14, 1948. He was the only child born to the late Jordan Curtis (Pete) McCluney and the oldest child born to the late Gertrude Edith Hayes. After graduating from Washington High School in 1966, Steven relocated to Los Angeles, California and worked for McDonald Douglas where his father was employed. The United States Marines were looking for *a few good men*, so they drafted Steven in 1968. He achieved the rank of Lance Corporal. Marine leadership were impressed with Steven's hard work, ethics, and intelligence so they offered him an opportunity to become an officer candidate. Steven did not have the desire to join the officer ranks so after returning from Vietnam, he continued to serve his country in the Marine National Guard before returning to civilian life in Kansas City.

Steven and his high school girlfriend, Lynda Bryson married on March 23, 1973 and had three daughters, DeLynda June, Deitra Lynn, & Stefani Dione. They dissolved their marriage amicably and remained friends. In Kansas City, Steven worked as a train engineer for the railroad. He also enjoyed driving tractor trailers, which gave him time for reflection.

In 1981, Steven met the love of his life, Verna J. Robinson and he became father to her precious daughter, Christi. Steve and Verna moved to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma where they have shared love over the last forty years until the Lord called him home. His mother, Gertrude Hayes, father, Jordan McCluney, and brother Martin Hayes preceded him in death.

Steven is survived by his wife, Verna Robinson McCluney, daughters, DeLynda (Charles) Handshaw of Fayetteville, NC, Deitra (Ron) Ross of Kansas City, KS, Stefani D. McCluney of Kansas City, KS, son, Kelon Sauls of Kansas City, KS, stepdaughter, Christi Robinson of Plano, TX, sister, Peggy Hayes of Little Elms, TX, Helen Hayes, and Beverly Hayes, brother, Douglass Hayes of La Vista, NE, a loving host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, great-great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and other family members and friends.

## Order of Service

*Processional.....Clergy & Family*

*Call to Worship.....Chaplain Emily Hughes*

*Hymn of Praise....." Total Praise" .....Recorded by Richard Smallwood*

*Scriptures:*

*Old Testament...Ecclesiastes 3:1-2..... Christopher Lyons*

*Old Testament.....Ecclesiastes 3:3-4..... Joseph Lyons*

*New Testament.....John 14:1-3.....Josiah Lyons*

*Prayer of Comfort..... Charles Handshaw*

*Hymn of Comfort ...." Better Days" .... Recorded by Le'Andria Johnson*

*Acknowledgements.....Stefani McCluney*

*Obituary (Read Silently)*

*Remarks / Reflections (2 mins)*

*Family Tribute .....DeLynda Handshaw  
Peggy Hayes  
Christi Robinson*

*Hymn of Assurance..." I Won't Complain" ...Recorded by Rev. Paul Jones*

*Eulogy .....Chaplain Emily Hughes*

*Hymn of Victory...." Let the Church Amen" ...Recorded by Andrae Crouch  
feat. Marvin Winans*

*Recessional*