



Mr. Ted Williams

September 25, 1951 - February 22, 2024

Mr. Ted Williams, 72, of Peoria, Illinois passed away at 02:18 am on Thursday, February 22, 2024 at his home surrounded by his family.

Ted was born on September 25, 1951 in Moorhead, Mississippi to proud parents, Virgil and Margaret (Rayford) Williams. He married the love of his life, Willie Mae Ross on December 15, 1973.

Ted worked as a Truck driver in the Sanitation department with BFI Waste Management for over 30 years retiring in 2009. Ted loved the Lord and had accepted Christ at an early age. He was a jokester who enjoyed telling funny stories. Ted was a loving and loyal family man, brother and friend. It was important to him to impart words of wisdom with whomever he had an audience. Ted enjoyed fishing, people watching from his porch and traveling to spend time with family in Mississippi.

Ted leaves to cherish his most precious memory his loving and devoted wife of 50 years, Mrs. Willie Mae Williams of Peoria, IL; two daughters, Yolanda Williams and Tonya Williams both of Peoria, IL; six sons, Terry Williams, Theodore "Ty" Williams, Derek Griffin, Eric Griffin, Travis (Megan) Williams and Tevin Williams all of Peoria, IL; one sister, Daisy Brown of Peoria, IL and two brothers, Lester Raiford of Peoria, IL and John Esther (Hattie) Watson of Moorhead, MS; 12 grandchildren; 8 greatgrandchildren; and a host of nieces,

nephews, other relatives and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents, Virgil and Margaret Williams; one son, Lonnie Williams; four sisters, Freddie Lee Morris, Jessie B. Watson, Millie Mae Williams and Beatrice Coleman; three brothers, Earl Watson, Carl Williams and Elmer Williams.

Honorary mention to his nieces Margaret "Niecy" Williams, Sheila Williams, Kimberly Williams, and nephew Craig Ross.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Friday, March 1, 2024, at Mt. Zion Baptist Church with a visitation beginning at 10 am. Interim Associate Pastor, James Flemming will officiate. Rev. Alvin Riley, Sr., Pastor of Sovereign Grace M.B. will bring the eulogy. Ted will be laid to rest at Parkview Cemetery.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at SimonsMortuary.com.

Cemetery Details

Parkview Cemetery

2001 N University St
Peoria, IL 61604
(309) 688-0733

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church
305 S. MADISON PARK TERRACE
Peoria, IL 61605
(309) 674-4379

Celebration of Life

MAR 1. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church
305 S. MADISON PARK TERRACE
Peoria, IL 61605
(309) 674-4379

Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Ted Williams*



Simons Mortuary - March 01, 2024 at 01:11 PM



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Ted Williams*



Simons Mortuary - February 29, 2024 at 04:37 PM

EG

“ *LOVE AND MISS YOU DAD I BE NEED THE ADVICE AND TALKS I USE TO COME AND HAVE WITH YOU ON YIUR PORCH MAN I NEED YOU MORE THEN EVER RIGHT NOW*

Eric Griffin - September 16, 2025 at 12:04 AM

MP

“ *Mancy Pittman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ted Williams*



Mancy Pittman - March 03, 2024 at 11:25 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Burial at Parkview Cemetery*



Simons Mortuary - March 01, 2024 at 05:12 PM

RW

“ *Due to family illness I cannot attend the services today. I would like to show my respect for such a dear man. May you rest in peace and I think of you each time I look over at the porch. I will still see you there.*

*With much love and respect,
Rita Wood*

Rita Wood - March 01, 2024 at 10:28 AM

BC

“ *Brenda Cayson lit a candle in memory of Ted Williams*



Brenda D Cayson - February 29, 2024 at 07:33 PM

FM

“ From Mike McNeal purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Ted Williams.



From Mike McNeal - February 28, 2024 at 06:56 PM

FM

“ From Mike McNeal planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Ted Williams.

From Mike McNeal - February 28, 2024 at 06:56 PM

VI

“ So sorry for the loss of our family member, My prayers and thoughts are with you .



Virsie (Pat) Ingram - February 28, 2024 at 12:50 PM

JE

“ Willie Mae, So sorry to hear about Ted. You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers the next several day. Please take care of yourself.

Jan Elliott - February 28, 2024 at 09:17 AM

AN

“ Sending my condolences and prayers during this difficult time.

Angelica - February 27, 2024 at 03:11 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Mr. Ted Williams.*



February 27, 2024 at 11:12 AM



“ *Condolences!*

Darryl Pegues - February 27, 2024 at 10:42 AM



“ *We have known Mr. Williams since Megan and Travis brought our families together. He was always kind, warm and sneakily funny. Our sincere condolences to the family during this time of bereavement. Praying that God gives you strength, comfort and peace as you grieve your loss.*

*Love,
The Riley Family*

Michael Riley - February 27, 2024 at 08:29 AM



“ *Sending my condolences and prayer in this difficult time 🙏*



rhonda brown - February 25, 2024 at 11:49 AM

CW

“ *Sending deepest condolences, love & prayers to Willie & family! May God give you comfort & peace during this difficult time..*



Catherine Randle Watson - February 25, 2024 at 03:52 AM

SB

“ *Rest up I only
Known you since 2021 and you were good to
your Nephew. All I know Pooder is gonna
miss you. You were his favorite, all I know.
Condolences to the family.*



shakitta buford - February 25, 2024 at 12:11 AM