

Mr. Willie Clarence Burts was born November 22, 1946, in Americus, Sumter County, Georgia, to the late Ms. Johnnie B. Burts. He was educated in the Sumter County Public Schools and was a lifelong resident of Americus, Georgia.

Following the death of his parents, Willie was raised by his aunt and uncle, the late D. J. and Margart Foster. Throughout his life, he worked diligently and provided for his family. For many years, he was employed by Littlefield Survey Company, where he worked as a chairman, rodman, and carpenter.

Willie shared 54 years of marriage with his wife, Mrs. Goldie Burts. His life was also grounded in his faith. He was a faithful member of Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, where he served as an usher.

In addition to his parents and the aunt and uncle who raised him, Willie was preceded in death by his cousin, Mae Ola Smith.

He leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife, Mrs. Goldie Burts; his children: Mrs. Margret Ann Pine and her husband, Kelvin; Mr. Clarence Burts and his wife, Barbara; Mrs. Sebrina Waters and her husband, Alonzo; Mrs. Patricia Brown and her husband, Eric; Ms. Tellis Burts, Mr. Thaddeus Harris, Leila, Ms. Kerri Pride, and Mr. William Fuller; 22 grandchildren; devoted cousins: Ms. Martha Smith, Mr. Clarence Smith, Mr. Calvin Smith, Mr. Aldean Smith, Ms. Georgia Bell Lamar, and Ms. Annie Ransford; and a host of other relatives and friends.