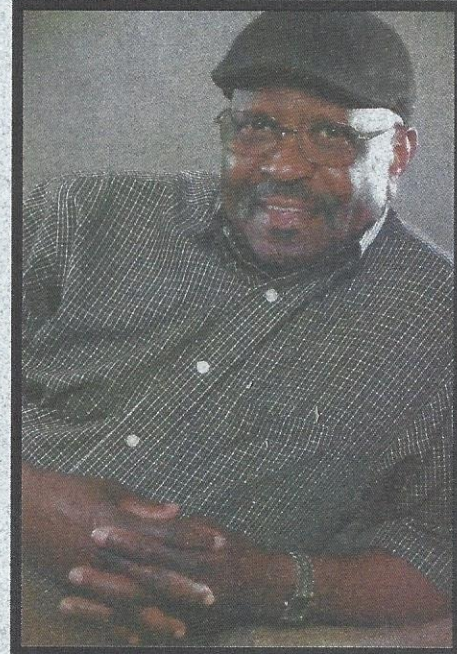


HONORING HIS LIFE



LEONARD E. WISE

Sunrise *Sunset*
December 14, 1942 January 1, 2021

MEMORIAL SERVICE
Friday, January 15, 2021
2:00 P.M.

THOMAS FUNERAL HOME
4520 Salem Avenue
Dayton, Ohio 45416

PASTOR JOHN WILLIAMS
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Obituary

LEONARD E. WISE, age 78, transitioned to his new home on Friday, January 1, 2021. He was born to the late George and Lula Wise on December 14, 1942, in Tignall, GA. He was raised by his aunt the late Marhila Walton after the untimely death of his mother when he was 12.

Leonard grew up in Elberton, GA, and was a graduate of Blackwell High School. In 1963, he moved to Dayton to live with his late uncle Albert Huff. He was employed by Goodyear for a short time and later retired from Delco Moraine after 33 years of service.

Affectionately called "Daddy", "Baby", "Papa", and "Mr. Wise", Leonard was known for his great sense of humor and wit. His outgoing personality would light up a room. There was never a dull moment when he was around, and he NEVER met a stranger.



Leonard enjoyed spending time with family and friends, helping others, watching Westerns, and listening to music. On any given morning Leonard could be found at McDonalds, Donut Palace or Bob Evans. He also loved working on cars and was often in the garage checking someone's oil or changing brakes. He loved attending family and class reunions and prided himself on being the first one to pay his dues for both. There are not enough words to describe Leonard; he meant so much to us all.

He is also preceded in death by his sisters, Lois Perlotte, Lula Allen, Mary Lou Walton, and Laura Shuff and brothers, Harold Huff and Willie James Walton.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife of 32 years, Shollet Wise; three children, Lynette White, of Athens, GA, Lamar Leavell and Sheri' Wise, of Dayton, Ohio; three grandchildren, Kendrick Reddish, Davondrick Reddish, and Lonyeá (Yeá) Leavell; brothers Vernathan Walton, of Philadelphia, PA, Clarence Walton (Louise), of Hartford, CT and sister Penny Cook, of Dayton, OH; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and too many special friends to name.



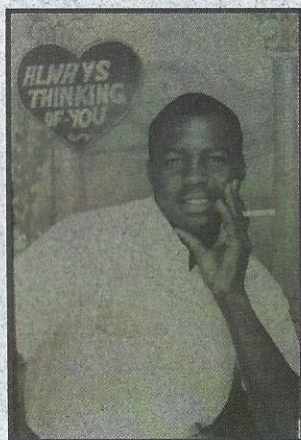
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HIS JOURNEY'S JUST BEGUN

*Don't think of him as gone away,
his journey's just begun.
Life holds so many facets,
this earth is only one.
Just think of him as resting,
from the sorrows and the tears.
In a place of warmth and comfort,
where there are no days and no years.
Think how he must be wishing,
that we could know today.
How nothing but our sadness,
can really pass away.
And think of him as living,
in the hearts of those he touched.
For nothing loved is ever lost,
and he was loved so much.*



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**TO THOSE WHOM I LOVE
AND THOSE WHO LOVE ME**

*When I am gone, release me, let me go
I have so many things to see and do
You musn't tie yourself to me with tears
Be happy that we had so many beautiful years
I gave you my love, you can only guess
How much you gave to me in happiness
I thank you for the love you each have shown
But now it's time I traveled on alone
So grieve for a while for me, if grieve you must
Then let your grief be comforted by trust
It's only for a while that we must part
So bless the memories within your heart
I won't be far away, for life goes on
So if you need me, call and I will come
Though you can't see me or touch me, I'll be near
And if you listen with your heart, you will hear
All of my love around you soft and clear
And then when you must come this way alone
I'll greet you with a smile and "Welcome Home!"*

Order of Service

GATHERING HYMN	Musician
PRAYER	Minister
SCRIPTURE	Minister
	<i>Old & New Testament</i>
MUSICAL SELECTION	Tchelandra Lewis
REMARKS and REFLECTIONS (Limit Two Minutes Please)	Family & Friends
OBITUARY READING	Lonyea' Leavell
TRIBUTE	Lynette White Lamar Leavell Sheri Wise
EULOGY	Pastor John Williams True Christian Missionary Baptist Church
PARTING SELECTION/BENEDICTION	
FINAL DISPOSITION	
	<i>Cremation</i>

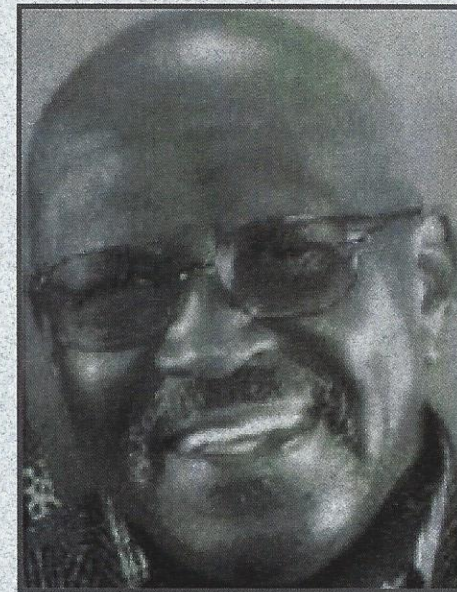


WORDS OF APPRECIATION

The family wishes to thank you for the loving kindness shown during our bereavement. Your prayers and expressions of love and sympathy are greatly appreciated. We would also like to thank the staff on SE 7at Miami Valley Hospital for the care and consideration given to us during this difficult time.

"Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day... unseen, unheard, but always near, still loved, still missed, and very dear." Unknown

Although Leonard is no longer with us physically, we each carry a piece of him in our hearts. Leonard E. Wise will always be loved, never forgotten, and forever missed.



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