



William E. "Sonny" Davidson

January 17, 1933 - April 20, 2024

William Edward Davidson, "Sonny" as his closest of family and friends called him was born, January 17, 1933, in Bowling Green, Kentucky, a son of the late Hackney Thomas Davidson and Sarah Neely Williams. Sonny was a graduate of State Street High School playing on the varsity basketball team. As a faithful member of Taylor Chapel AME Church, he served as a Trustee Emeritus and was a Prayer Warrior. Sonny was the first black licensed Life of Georgia Insurance Agent serving in this capacity for over 15 years. He also retired from the Bowling Green City School System. Sonny enjoyed many things, such as spending time with family and friends, westerns, gardening, canning, cooking, and of course baking. A loving and devoted husband to his wife Goldie Outlaw, a cherished and providing father to his daughters, a role model and friend to all he met, that is how we shall remember Sonny Davidson.

On Saturday, April 20, 2024, just as the morning sun started to rise, Sonny answered his call at the generous age of 91 years. Those preceding him in death along with his parents are his daughter, Beverly Jean Davidson, brothers and sisters, Katherine Offutt, Mary Louise Jenkins, Karl Davidson, Leonard Davidson, Hackney T. Davidson, Dorothy Smith and Gonzella Johnson.

To cherish the memory of William "Sonny" Davidson he leaves his wife of 63

years, Goldie Outlaw Davidson; daughter, Karen Anita Dearing; 3 grandchildren, Jonathan, De'Mond, Brian; 7 great grandchildren, Cassandra, De'Mond, Jr., Christian, Bre'Ann, Keeley, Jonathan, Ahliyah; 3 Great Great Grandchildren, Madeline, Justin, Kounta. A host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and many friends.

Sincerely,

-Your friends at Burnam and Son

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

1209 Fairview Ave
Bowling Green, KY 42101

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 27. 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Taylor Chapel AME Church
503 Clay Street
Bowling Green, KY 42101

Funeral Service

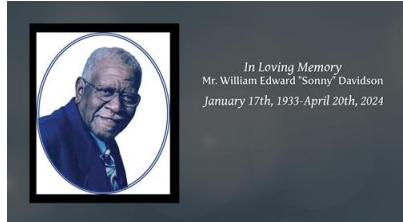
APR 27. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Taylor Chapel AME Church
503 Clay Street
Bowling Green, KY 42101

Tribute Wall



“ *Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc. - April 25, 2024 at 04:07 PM



“ *Peggy Smith Whitney lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Peggy Smith Whitney - May 01, 2024 at 06:53 PM



“ *LIVELY-CLARK lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



LIVELY-CLARK - April 30, 2024 at 10:02 PM



“ *Mrs. Goldie, Karen and family. I'm so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you at this most difficult time.*
Paula Page Coleman



Paula Coleman - April 28, 2024 at 07:46 PM



“ *James R. Lockhart lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



James r. Lockhart - April 27, 2024 at 04:30 PM



“ *Denise Wade lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Denise Wade - April 27, 2024 at 12:48 AM



“ *Deborah Wade Bufford lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Deborah Wade Bufford - April 27, 2024 at 12:47 AM

GB

“ Gladys M Beason lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Gladys M Beason - April 26, 2024 at 08:46 PM

BP

“ Barbara Page lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Barbara Page - April 26, 2024 at 08:45 PM

MP

“ Mary Patterson lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Mary Patterson - April 26, 2024 at 06:49 PM

JC

“ I will miss seeing Mr. Sonnie, always pleasant to talk with him ❤️

jayne Carpenter - April 26, 2024 at 05:02 PM

MF

“ Mrs. Hannah Whitney And Family lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Mrs. Hannah Whitney and Family - April 26, 2024 at 02:45 PM



“ Darlene Collins lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Darlene Collins - April 26, 2024 at 11:52 AM

SB

“ Stephanie Britt lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Stephanie Britt - April 26, 2024 at 02:29 AM

MP

“ Malcolm & Hattie Page lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Malcolm & Hattie Page - April 25, 2024 at 08:45 PM

EH

“ *Estella Hill lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Estella Hill - April 25, 2024 at 05:39 PM

MC

“ *I remember Sonny as our neighbor on Keller Lane. Sonny was always a very nice man and a good neighbor. His wife, Goldie was my hair stylist for a few years. His family has my deepest sympathy and are in my prayers, may he rest in peace.*
Mary Duncan Cole

Mary Cole - April 25, 2024 at 12:29 PM

WP

“ *Wintress Parker lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Wintress Parker - April 25, 2024 at 06:23 AM

CN

“ *Carla Nelson lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Carla nelson - April 24, 2024 at 11:43 AM

LH

“ William (Sonny) Davidson. will be missed. Always a smile on his face. .

linda lou hill - April 24, 2024 at 08:24 AM

WA

“ Wanda Anthony lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Wanda Anthony - April 23, 2024 at 11:39 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of William E. "Sonny" Davidson.



April 23, 2024 at 09:27 PM

FF

“ From the Locke Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William E. "Sonny" Davidson.

From the Locke Family - April 23, 2024 at 09:27 PM

AR

“ *O'Neal and Faye Roberson and Family*



Alana Faye Roberson - April 23, 2024 at 09:26 PM

WB

“ *Wanda Darlene Britt sent a virtual gift in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Wanda Darlene Britt - April 23, 2024 at 08:18 PM

SH

“ *Sharon Haynie-Cosby lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Sharon Haynie-Cosby - April 23, 2024 at 03:30 PM

LW

“ *Loretha Withrow sent a virtual gift in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Loretha Withrow - April 23, 2024 at 03:26 PM

MB

“ Michelle Bailey lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Michelle Bailey - April 23, 2024 at 02:45 PM

VS

“ Vanessa Britt Nelson & Son sent a virtual gift in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Vanessa Britt Nelson & Son - April 23, 2024 at 12:05 PM

ZH

“ Zora Hays lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Zora Hays - April 23, 2024 at 11:05 AM

RM

“ Ruth Ann Morrow lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Ruth Ann Morrow - April 23, 2024 at 09:21 AM



“ *Marian Benton lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Marian Benton - April 23, 2024 at 06:54 AM

JS

“ *Jakki Granger Snowden lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Jakki Granger Snowden - April 22, 2024 at 10:49 PM

WD

“ *Winora Duffey lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Winora Duffey - April 22, 2024 at 09:35 PM

JB

“ *Judith Boards lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Judith Boards - April 22, 2024 at 09:06 PM

NF

“ *Nell Ruth Hill & Family lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Nell Ruth Hill & Family - April 22, 2024 at 06:24 PM

JB

“ *James M &Kenetha Bryant lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



James M &Kenetha Bryant - April 22, 2024 at 05:47 PM

JB

“ *James M &Kenetha Bryant sent a virtual gift in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



James M &Kenetha Bryant - April 22, 2024 at 05:46 PM

GR

“ *Gail Rasmussen lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Gail Rasmussen - April 22, 2024 at 05:45 PM

LC

“ Lisa Cook lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Lisa Cook - April 22, 2024 at 05:01 PM

B?

“ David & Barbee 🙏



Barbee's 🙏 - April 22, 2024 at 04:55 PM

SB

“ Steve & Ria Butts lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Steve & Ria Butts - April 22, 2024 at 04:14 PM

BW

“ Brenda Williams lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Brenda Williams - April 22, 2024 at 03:06 PM

TR

“ Tara Richardson lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Tara Richardson - April 22, 2024 at 02:00 PM



“ Faith Mitchell sent a virtual gift in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Faith Mitchell - April 22, 2024 at 11:34 AM

DF

“ Denise Winston & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Denise Winston & Family - April 21, 2024 at 11:06 PM

RP

“ Rosie Potter lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Rosie Potter - April 21, 2024 at 09:28 PM

WB

“ *Wathetta Buford lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Wathetta Buford - April 21, 2024 at 07:58 PM

BY

“ *Buel Young lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Buel Young - April 21, 2024 at 06:58 PM

JL

“ *James R. Lockhart lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



James r. Lockhart - April 21, 2024 at 06:23 PM

RM

“ *Rachel Murrell lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Rachel Murrell - April 21, 2024 at 06:02 PM

EH

“ *Estella Hill lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Estella Hill - April 21, 2024 at 04:54 PM

WW

“ *William Walker lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



William walker - April 21, 2024 at 01:43 PM

DC

“ *Deborah Claypool lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Deborah Claypool - April 21, 2024 at 12:45 PM



“ *Frank Alexander sent a virtual gift in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson*



Frank Alexander - April 21, 2024 at 07:22 AM

WA

“ Wanda Anthony lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Wanda Anthony - April 21, 2024 at 12:05 AM

JH

“ James H.Davidson lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



James H.Davidson - April 20, 2024 at 11:10 PM

DC

“ Donna Curry lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Donna Curry - April 20, 2024 at 08:08 PM

MC

“ Mary Cole lit a candle in memory of William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Mary Cole - April 20, 2024 at 04:51 PM

CH

“ Cheryl Hewitt lit a candle in memory of
William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Cheryl Hewitt - April 20, 2024 at 03:55 PM

CW

“ Constance White lit a candle in memory of
William E. "Sonny" Davidson



Constance White - April 20, 2024 at 03:37 PM

SS

Praying Warriors
I sorry for your loss. GOD BLESS.

Sharnell Smith - April 21, 2024 at 04:35 PM



“ *Dear Davidson Family*

There are few things more difficult than dealing with the loss of a loved one. We, along with our staff, are honored and humbled that you have chosen our family to care for your family during this time. It is our hope that we have been able, in some small way, to lighten your burden and give proper reverence to a life lived. Please let us know if we can be of further service.



Respectfully,

*Carmen, Cedric, Claudia and Kelly
2nd Generation Owners*

Cedric Burnam - April 20, 2024 at 12:52 PM