



## Alonzo Gordon Watley

January 7, 2015

Alonzo Gordon Watley, 82, husband of Gloria Kennedy Watley, died Wednesday, January 7, 2015 at the Palmetto Baptist Healthcare System. Born in Griffen, Ga., he was a son of the late Alonzo Gordon Watley, Sr. and Florence Jenkins Watley. Raised in Akron, Ohio.

Mr. Watley enlisted in the United States Army at a young age and later enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and retired after 21 years as a Master Sergeant. He was employed by IBM Corporation for over 20 years until his retirement in December of 1995. After his retirement, he relocated to Columbia after residing in Herndon, Va. He had previously lived in numerous foreign and national locales his favorite being Greece, where he spoke the language fluently and volunteered his time helping to establish and run an orphanage.

Mr. Watley symbolized his dedication to Jehovah God in February 1998. He loved the ministry and found great joy in talking to others about God's Kingdom. He was a faithful member of the Clemson Road Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses. Mr. Watley raised 4 children who are faithfully serving Jehovah and happily aided others to do so as well.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two daughters, Angela Sherie Johnson and Joyce Watley-McRae and a granddaughter, Natalie McRae Price. He leaves to cherish precious memories, his devoted wife, Gloria

Kennedy Watley, daughters Kimberly Corbin and Tamara (Bobby) McKeithen all of Columbia, SC, Daniel (Angela) Johnson of Reston, VA. and a son Alex G. Watley of Sterling, Va.; two grandchildren; a sister, Lacsia Fuller of Dover, Delaware; three brothers-in-law and six sisters-in-law and a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

JAN 13. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel - Columbia  
1200 Fontaine Place  
Columbia, SC 29223  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Alonzo Gordon Watley*

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October 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *Gloria, Kim, Tammy, Alex and Daniel..  
Joe and I jut had to tell you all our fondest memories.  
I was always Joe's wife not Mary and learned to expect that from  
our Brother each and every time we said "hello". Always with a  
sincere smile and quite spirit. We long for the time when mankind  
will live forever. Won't that be a joyful time for everyone. Love you  
all!*

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**Joseph & Mary McKenzie** - January 19, 2015 at 04:37 PM



“ *Gloria,*

*I was so sorry to hear of Al's passing. I will always remember him as  
being one of the kindest people I have ever known. I could tell that  
he was slowing down a bit the last time I talked to him, but his love  
of life still came through. I will miss him.*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Carl Kraft*

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**Carl Kraft** - January 18, 2015 at 01:36 PM

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“ *Enlightening conversations with Uncle Al will be missed. Aunt Gloria, Kim, Tammy, Alex and Daniel may your memories give you peace and comfort now and in the coming days.* ”

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**Janice Marshall Spruill** - January 10, 2015 at 11:27 PM