



Theodore James Wilder

January 31, 1941 - July 9, 2018

On Monday, July 9, 2018, Theodore (Ted) James Wilder left this earthly place for his heavenly home. Born January 31, 1931, in Gainesville, Florida, he was the second oldest of six children born to the late Maceo and Idella Joyce Wilder. He was a graduate of Campbell High School and Northeastern University. Ted was employed as a drafter by the Polaroid Company for over twenty-five years in Boston, Massachusetts, before his retirement. After retiring, Ted relocated to the warmer climes of Columbia, South Carolina.

Ted enjoyed road trips, long walks, cigars, barbecue and jazz music. He was an amazing husband to wife Johnnie Knight for twenty years and a devoted dad. He adored his family and his cat Stormy. "Mr. Ted," as he was known throughout the neighborhood, enjoyed debate and deep thought-provoking discussions.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two siblings.

He leaves to cherish precious memories his wife of 20 years, Johnnie Knight Wilder; a daughter Vanessa Denise Wilder; 4 siblings: Gloria Wilder Brown, Eric M. (Elexzena) Wilder; Gail Wilder (Leon) Jenkins, and Leila D. Wilder; and other relatives. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the NAACP.

Cemetery Details

Adamsville Cemetery

Chiefland, FL 32626

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUL 12. 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel - Columbia
1200 Fontaine Place
Columbia, SC 29223
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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ *Theodore James Wilder*

October 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *With deepest sympathy and many kind thoughts to Johnnie and the family. We will miss seeing him walking the trail in Bythewood.*

*Richard and Viola Sanders
Blythewood, SC*

The Sanders - July 11, 2018 at 07:46 PM



“ *Nessa & Johnnie*

Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Ken & Libby Peura

Libby - July 10, 2018 at 07:44 PM