

# Celebrating the Life

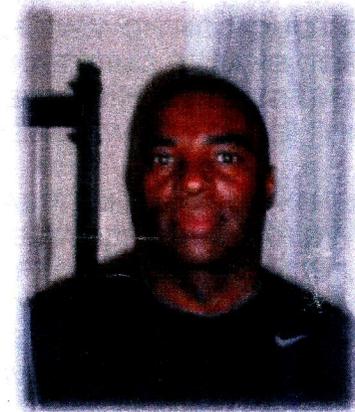
of

**Mr. Stanley O'neal Allen**

April 11, 1960

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January 13, 2012



**Thursday, January 19, 2012**

12:00 noon

**Round Island Creek**

Missionary Baptist Association Mission Center  
Athens, Alabama



**Pastor Timothy Townsend Sr., Officiating**

## “BEYOND THE GRAVE”

HOW DO WE CONVEY  
JUST HOW WE FEEL  
WHEN WE LOSE SOMEONE WE LOVE?  
HOW DO WE EXPLAIN  
THE DEEP, LONELY PAIN  
THE EMPTINESS LEFT IN US?

NO WORDS CAN EXPRESS  
THE HURT AND ANGUISH,  
NOR TOUCH ON HOW WE FEEL.  
GOD SHARES OUR TEARS  
AND GIVES US HIS LOVE,  
AND HE, IN TIME, WILL HEAL.

THE HOPES AND THE DREAMS  
WE HAD JUST REMAINS,  
LIKE AN UNFINISHED BOOK OF THEIR LIFE  
AS AN INCOMPLETE CHAPTER,  
REMAINS UNFINISHED  
WITH NOTHING MORE TO WRITE.

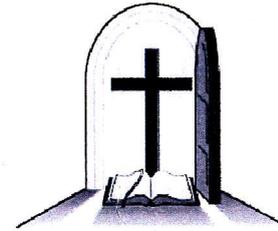
BUT WE CAN KNOW GOD’S COMFORT  
AND KNOW THERE IS HOPE,  
WITH A NEW CHAPTER TO BEGIN.  
WE CAN HOLD ON TO GOD  
FOR HE LOVES US SO MUCH.  
AND FILLS THE VOID WITHIN.

AS WE CLOSE ONE CHAPTER  
ANOTHER CAN BEGIN,  
THOUGH THE ONE WE LOVE HAS GONE,  
THROUGH CHRIST’S STRENGTH IN US,  
AND HOPE IN OUR HEARTS  
WE FIND COURAGE TO CARRY ON.

~ **Pall Bearers** ~  
Class of 1979  
George Malone  
Tony Wayne Malone  
Donald Reedus

~ **Flower Bearers** ~  
Nieces & Friends  
Elaine Ballew  
Lyn Benson  
Karen McLin

~ **Interment and Committal** ~  
Thatch-Mann Cemetery  
Athens, Alabama



~ **Acknowledgments** ~

The family of late Mr. Stanley O’neal Allen wishes to thank their many friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and thoughtfulness shown during our time of bereavement.

~ **Funeral Arrangements Entrusted to:** ~  
People’s Funeral Home  
12060 Highway 31, South  
Athens, Alabama

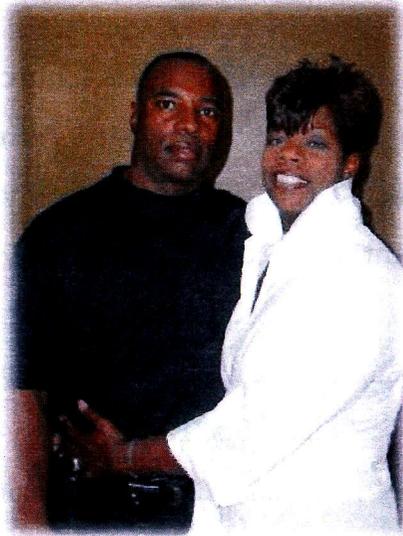
~ **Repast** ~  
Round Island Creek Missionary Baptist  
Association Mission Center Fellowship Hall

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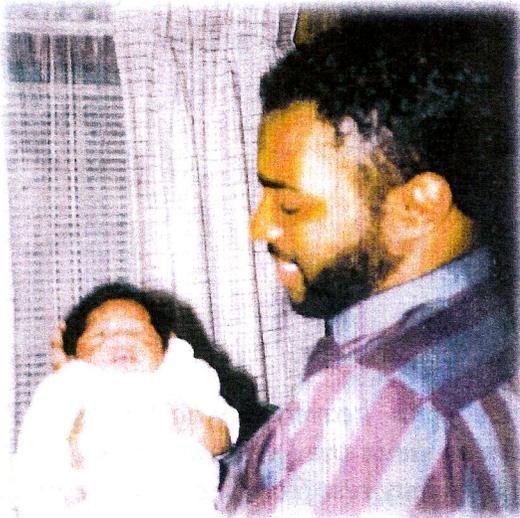


## Stanley O'neal Allen

April 11, 1960 - January 13, 2012



*My love...My Wife*



*Daddy's Baby Girl*

## Obituary

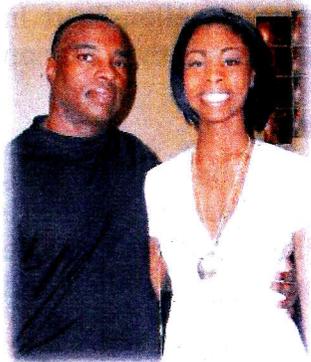
Mr. Stanley O'neal Allen was born April 11, 1960 to the late John Lawson Allen and late Betty F. Allen-Scott in Limestone County, Alabama. He passed this life on January 13, 2012.

He confessed hope in Christ at Mt. Nebo M.B. Church, under the leadership of Pastor Willie J. Mangreun, where he remained a faithful member until his sudden death. He was preceded in death by his parents, John L. Allen and Betty Allen-Scott.

Stanley was a member of the Athens High School graduating class of 1979. There he excelled in basketball, and made many lifelong friends. Following high school, he went to work at Steelcase, Inc., in Athens, AL, where he worked 27 years, until retiring in April 2005. He was united in Holy Matrimony to Gloria A. Allen on May 28, 1991, and to this union one daughter was born.

He leaves to cherish her memories a loving and devoted wife: Gloria A. Allen, of Madison, AL; one beautiful daughter: Tiffany Allen, of Madison, AL; four brothers: John Delbert Allen, of Louisville, KY, Billy Allen, of Athens, AL, Marvin "Tony" Allen, of San Diego, CA, and Lorenzo "Lo" Allen, of Athens, AL; two sisters: Jennifer "Jan" Allen, of Louisville, KY, and Carla Petty, of Huntsville, AL; step-father: Richard Scott, of Athens, AL, two step-siblings: Leola (William) Kirby, of Athens, AL and Larry Scott, of Decatur, AL; aunts: Elizabeth Ann Petty and Dorthy Jean Petty, both of Huntsville, AL, Sallie (James) Franklin, of Athens, AL, Diane Petty, of Louisville, KY; uncles: Leo Petty, of Birmingham, AL; mother-in-law: Lora Allen, of Athens, AL; sisters-in-law: Paulene (Ronnie) McLin, of Athens, AL, and Angela Arnold, of Shreveport, LA, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

## A note from your daughter,



I was going to find a poem or scripture to express how I felt, but after talking to Momma, she thought it would be best if I just wrote from the heart. Daddy, I love you with all my heart. You were my every thing, and I know I was yours. I am thankful that you have left me with so many great memories. I will

miss us always joking around, me jumping on your back, you fussing at me to keep my car clean, me calling you "Stanley," and most of all, you calling me "boy."

If I was having a bad day, I knew I could count on you for comfort and a few laughs. Daddy, I know it's going to be some long days and nights ahead, and I also know you will be here to comfort me. I want you to know that I will stay on a straight path and will take care of Momma. You were her everything, and her backbone. Now, I have to be strong for the both of us, so I need your help. You are truly loved by so many people. You were such an amazing person.

I know you're looking down on me saying, "Boy, stop all that crying; I raised you to be strong." Although I am hurting and crying, I won't be selfish. I know you're in a much better place. I will turn these tears into tears of joy. Just now I love and miss you so much. I will always be a Daddy's Girl.

...Your little girl, Tiffany

## Order of Service

### Processional

Selection .....Mt. Nebo M.B. Church Choir

Opening Song & Prayer ..... Min. Alfred King

Scripture: Old Testament..... Pastor Timothy Rainey

Scripture: New Testament.....Pastor Brandon Love

Selection .....Choir

Words of Comfort..... Min. Henry Brown

Acknowledgments..... Sis. Tammy Petty-Rogers

Reflections, "As a Friend" ..... Dea. Donald Davis

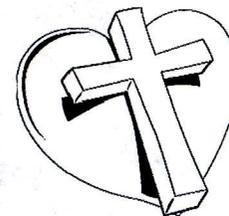
Obituary .....(Read Silently)

Solo..... Pastor Willie J. Mangreun

Eulogy..... Pastor Timothy Townsend, Sr.  
*Pastor, Mt. Nebo M.B. Church  
Athens, AL*

Closing Prayer..... Pastor Gary Battles

### Recessional



*Then I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Write: 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.'" "Yes," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them." Revelation 14: 13*