



John "Papa John" Kilpatrick Sr.

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John "Papa John" Kilpatrick, Sr., 90, of Chattanooga, passed away Sunday, October 17, 2021, in a local hospital. He was born January 4, 1931 in Chattanooga, Tennessee to Johnny Kilpatrick and Mamie "Big Mama" Walker; he was the stepson of Robert "Big Daddy" Freeman. He was the third of six children. John accepted Christ as his Savior at an early age. After graduating from Howard High School in 1949, he joined the Army and had a distinguished military career, retiring as a staff sergeant. He was employed with Combustion Engineering as a boilermaker for 42 years. John became a member of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church in 1977. He was a quiet, but consistent member of the church. This is also how he lived his life...quiet and consistent. His light shone brightly, and he was loved by all who knew him. He was also a longtime member of the Bushtown Neighborhood Association and volunteer with the Election Commission. Survivors include his loving wife of 44 years, Peggie Norman Kilpatrick; children, Korlon Kilpatrick, Johnny Kilpatrick, Keddrick (Donna) Kilpatrick, Kyron Kilpatrick, Stephanie Kilpatrick, John Kilpatrick, Jr., and Kinsley (Tracie) Kilpatrick; 15 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; brother, Ralph Freeman; a host of nieces; nephews; cousins of the Walker, Gladden, and Freeman families; as well as members of the Norman family; other relatives and friends. Pastor A.J. Holman will serve as the eulogist.



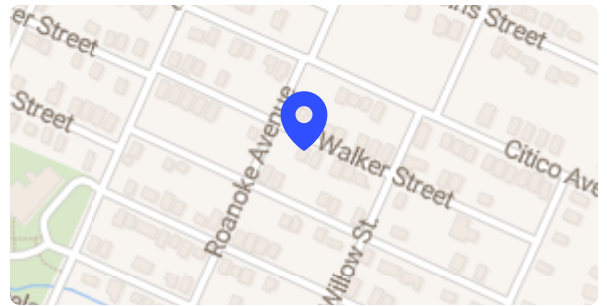
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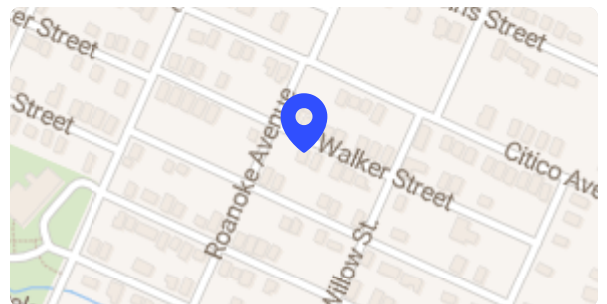
Lie-In-State

- Monday**, October 25, 2021
- 9:00 AM ET
- Bethel A. M. E. Church**
2000 Walker Avenue, Chattanooga TN 37404



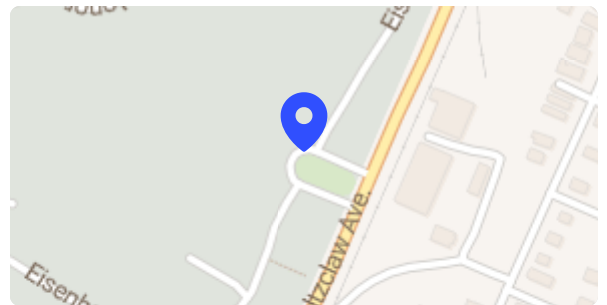
Service

- Monday**, October 25, 2021
- 1:00 PM ET
- Bethel A. M. E. Church**
2000 Walker Avenue, Chattanooga TN 37404



Cemetery Details

- Chattanooga National Cemetery**
1200 Bailey Ave, Chattanooga TN 37404





Tribute Wall

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Anonymous sent a Strength & Solace Spray to the Kilpatrick family.

October 24 at 7:39 AM



Anonymous sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Kilpatrick family.

October 23 at 11:28 AM



The Gene A. Orr Family sent a Lily and Rose Tribute Spray to the Kilpatrick family.

October 22 at 12:38 PM



Roya & Joann, Cchdo sent a Crystal Cross Bouquet to the Kilpatrick family.

October 22 at 11:21 AM



Sister-In Love, Jackie sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Kilpatrick family.

October 21 at 6:16 PM



Jim Rosenbloom posted:

My Dear Peggie, I know you and John were soul mates and the perfect couple. I also know you took very good care of John. We have known each other for 54 years. You are one of the best, Please take comfort in knowing John had a wonderful life with you as his wife. May John Rest in Peace. All our Love, Jim, and Janiece Rosenbloom

October 21 at 7:01 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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