

*“And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there will be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away.”*

— Revelation 21:4

## Don't Cry for Me

Don't cry for me. I will be okay.  
Heaven is my home now, and this is where I'll stay.  
Don't cry for me. I'm where I belong.  
I want you to be happy and try to stay strong.

Don't cry for me. It was just my time,  
But I will see you someday on the other side.  
Don't cry for me. I am not alone.  
The angels are with me to welcome me home.

Don't cry for me, for I have NO fear.  
All my pain is GONE, and Jesus took my tears.  
Don't cry for me. This is not the end.  
I'll be waiting here for you when we meet again.

— by Deborah Garcia Gaitan

## Interment

Thursday, March 12, 2026 • 10:00am

**Cape Canaveral National Cemetery**  
5525 U.S. Hwy 1 North, Mims, FL 32754

## Words of Appreciation

The Family of Benjamin Franklin Williams wishes to express their sincere gratitude for the many acts of kindness, prayers, and expressions of love shown during this time of bereavement. Your support has brought comfort and strength when it was needed most.

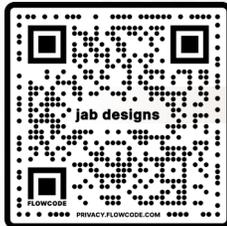
May God richly bless each of you!

We take comfort in 1 Corinthians 2:9...

*“Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man, the things which God has prepared for those who love Him.”*

— the Family

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# ENTERING THE GATES OF HEAVEN

*Benjamin*  
**F.  
Williams**

EARTHLY BIRTH  
**August 10**  
1949

HEAVENLY GAIN  
**February 25**  
2026

CELEBRATION OF LIFE  
SERVICE

**Saturday**  
**March 7, 2026**  
2:00 P.M.

IN THE CHAPEL OF  
**Mitchell's Funeral Home**  
501 Fairvilla Road, Orlando, FL 32808

*Officiating*  
**Pastor Tolbert Lee Alexander**  
*New Jerusalem Outreach of Central Florida*

**Mitchell's Funeral Home**  
*Directors*



# A Legacy™

*A Heritage: Character Qualities, Memoirs...*

*We have this assurance: Those who belong to God will live; their bodies will rise again! Those who sleep in the earth will rise up and sing for joy! – Isaiah 26:19<sub>NLT</sub>*

## BENJAMIN FRANKLIN WILLIAMS

Benjamin Franklin Williams entered this world on August 10, 1949, in Whitehall, South Carolina, born to the late John Green and Maebell Green. One of 14 children, Benjamin grew up surrounded by a large and loving family.

At the age of seven, Benjamin's life took a new and blessed direction when he was adopted by Burton Williams and Thelma Williams of Oviedo, Florida. Under their care, he flourished. He attended Seminole County Public Schools, where his love for history and reading was nurtured by teachers and mentors who recognized his curiosity and determination.

Benjamin graduated from Oviedo High School before being drafted into the United States Army in 1970. He bravely served his country in the Vietnam War, carrying with him a quiet strength and resilience that would define the rest of his life.

After returning home, he continued his education and earned his Associate of Arts degree in 1977.

In 1971, Benjamin began what would become a remarkable 50-year career with Walt Disney World. Through dedication, talent, and an unwavering work ethic, he rose to the role of head chef, earning numerous awards and the respect of colleagues across the company. His culinary gifts fed thousands, but it was his kindness, humility, and steady presence that left the deepest impression on those who worked beside him.

Benjamin truly loved his work as a chef. Cooking was more than a profession—it was something he genuinely enjoyed. Whether preparing meals at work or cooking for his family, it brought him great joy.

Benjamin's greatest joy, however, was his family. He shared 25 years of marriage with his devoted wife, Debra Williams. According to Deborah, Benjamin was a good husband and a great provider who loved his family deeply.

Outside of work, Benjamin enjoyed the simple pleasures of life. He loved spending time with his family, cooking, and tending to his home garden, which was one of his favorite pastimes.

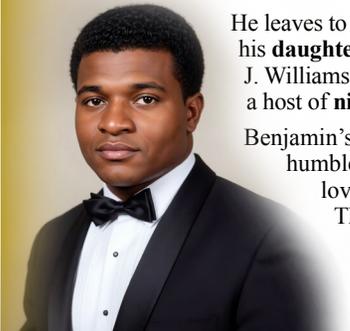
His life was a testament to perseverance, service, and quiet excellence. Whether on the battlefield, in the kitchen, or at home, Benjamin carried himself with dignity and purpose. His legacy lives on in the lives he touched, the family he cherished, and the example he set for all who knew him.

Benjamin Franklin Williams was preceded in death by his **parents**, John Green and Maebell Green; his **adoptive parents**, Burton Williams and Thelma Williams; and his **siblings** – Arthur Simmons, Viola Marley, Pauline Green, Ethel Ford, Joe Louis Green, Coralee Jones, John Green Jr., and Arthur Green Jr.

He leaves to cherish his memory his loving **wife** of 25 years, Debra Williams; his **daughter**, Angel Bacon; his **sons**, Benjamin James Williams and Jonathan J. Williams; his **sisters** Alberta Shaw and Issac Green (Jannette); along with a host of **nieces, nephews**, extended family members, and friends.

Benjamin's presence was a steady light in every room he entered—quiet, humble, and full of heart. His wisdom, laughter, and unwavering love will continue to echo through the lives of all who knew him. Though our hearts are heavy, we find comfort in the legacy he leaves behind: a life of service, strength, and devotion.

He will be deeply missed, lovingly remembered, and forever cherished.



# Order of Service for Benjamin Franklin Williams

Officiating  
**Pastor Tolbert Lee Alexander**  
New Jerusalem Outreach of Central Florida

**Musical Selections** ..... Tomeka

**Processional** ..... Officiants and Family

**Opening Prayer** ..... Dooley

### Scripture Readings

Old Testament – *Psalm 23*

New Testament – *John 14:1-3*

### Musical Selection

**Special Memories** (*Limit remarks to 2 minutes each, please*)  
Open to Family and Friends

### Resolutions and Acknowledgments

**Reading of the Legacy** (*read silently to soft music*)

### Musical Selection

**Words of Comfort** ..... Pastor Tolbert Lee Alexander

**Recessional** – “*Well Done*” .... RECORDED BY Dedric Haddon

### Repast ...

Immediately following the service, the Family invites you to join them for a **Repast** at 876 Forster Avenue, Orlando, FL 32809

