

## Mr. Levon McKinley

November 15, 1944 - February 5, 2020

Levon McKinley, age 75, went to join his loved ones in heaven on Wednesday, February 5, 2020. He struggled many years with heart problems and passed away peacefully with his family by his side. Levon McKinley was born on November 15, 1944, in Atmore, AL, to Bessie Mae Browning, age 40, and James Thomas McKinley, Sr, age 42. He had four brothers and four sisters, and spent his early years living in Atmore, AL. He was the first and only child to graduate from Escambia High School in 1963 and decided to join the military in 1964. He left on a bus for Mobile, AL. Although he didn't qualify, he saw a lovely lady who was also looking to join the military. She dropped a dime, he picked it up, and the rest was history. He met his future wife, Carol Ann Latimer that day, and they married on April 10, 1964 in Bay Minette, AL. The new family settled in Gulfport, MS in 1965 and their first son, William James "Jimmy" McKinley was born in February 4, 1969. Then on January 15, 1977 Misty Kay McKinley was born. He traveled all over the country working as a truck driver. He was known for his love of good southern food, wearing his overalls, and cheering for his Alabama Crimson "Roll Tide!" He was happiest fishing at the beach front on the gulf coast, sitting in his recliner watching sports, or listening to church sermons on the radio. Levon was preceded in death by Carol, his father, James, his mother, Bessie, his infant brother, his older sisters Pauline, Christine, Irene, and his older brothers Clarence "Bo," James "Bud," and Kenneth. He is survived by his two children, Jimmy McKinley and Misty Reyes, his sister Margie Wasson, his two

grandchildren, Kayla and Khristian Reyes, and several cousins, nieces, and nephews. The family will celebrate his life from 12:30 – 1:30pm Saturday, February 8, 2020, at Petty Funeral Home.

Flowers can be sent to:

Petty-Eastside Chapel Funeral Home

9260 Highway 31

Atmore, AL 36502

Graveside service and burial will be at 2:00pm at Serenity Gardens Cemetery off U.S. Hwy 31, Atmore, AL 36502.

# Cemetery Details

## Serenity Gardens Cemetery

Atmore, AL 36502

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 8. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

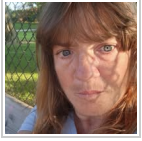
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## Graveside Services

FEB 8. 2:00 PM (CT)

Serenity Gardens Cemetery  
Atmore, AL 36502

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rip uncle levon. You will be missed by many*

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**Wanda Stratmann** - February 08, 2020 at 07:46 PM