



Earl Williams

October 9, 1944 - January 19, 2026

Mr. Clarence Earl "Papa Earl" Williams, 81, passed away on January 19, 2026. A Funeral Service will be held on Thursday, January 22, 2026 at 11 AM in New Life Ministries. Burial will follow at Baldwin Memorial Gardens.

The family will receive friends at Williams Funeral Home on Wednesday from 5 PM until 7 PM.

Papa Earl was a native of Laurens County and had made his home in Milledgeville since 1966. He was a Plant Manager for Nuclear Power Plants all over the United States for 42 years before retirement in 2011. He was preceded in death by his wife, Patricia Brown Williams; son in law, Jay Brantley; grandson in law, Kaleb Spell; and sister, Glenda Hendley. He was a member of New Life Ministries.

He is survived by his daughters, Angie Everett (Ken), Joanne Hooks (Michael); son, Walter Prestwood (Sue); grandchildren, Dustin McKinley (Lindsey), Savannah McKinley Burdge (Louis), Ashley Spell, Dillon Brantley (Cheyenne), Shelby Brantley (Chris), Jordan Hooks (Rachel), Austin Hooks, Leslie Stanley (Trenton), Lindsay Auld, Will Prestwood (Molly), Leah McMullen (Jason), Betsy McBrayer (Blake), Bennett Prestwood (Chloe), Amy Rainey (Patrick), Rachel Clayton (Garritt), Amos Prestwood, Andrew Prestwood, Jared Prestwood, Jacob Prestwood, Marcus Prestwood, and Maggie Rutland (Will); 41 great grandchildren, sister, Joette Wielicki (Dave), many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Baldwin Memorial Gardens

2896 N. Columbia Street
Milledgeville, GA 31061

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 21. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Williams Funeral Home & Crematory - Milledgeville
1670 N. Jefferson St.
Milledgeville, GA 31061
(478) 452-2148
staff@williamsfuneralhome.net
<https://www.williamsfuneralhome.net>

Service

JAN 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

New Life Ministries
385 Log Cabin Rd. NE
Milledgeville, GA 31061

Tribute Wall



“ Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory created a Webcast will start approximately 10 minutes before the service in memory of Earl Williams



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - January 22 at 10:16 AM

LM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
Luther and Berta and Friends at Johnnie McDade Grocery.



Luther Minor - January 23 at 07:35 AM

BP

“ Earl was a wonderful man and a great Boss. I worked for him at Brown's Ferry Nuclear Plant for about 16 years. I can't even begin to share all the memories I have of this sweet man and his Ms. Patsy. He was loved and respected by all of his work family too . He was extraordinary at his job. I was able to talk with him a year ago and we had some good conversation and went through alit of good work memories. I know he loved God and was a Christian man so I look forward to meeting him in heaven one day. Prayers for all his family that he was so very proud of. God comfort and bless each of you. I treasure the memories I have of Earl .

Belinda Phillips - January 21 at 11:45 PM

KB

“ We are so sorry to hear about Mr Earl. Clint and I thought so much of him.
Prayers for all of you.

kathy & Clint Butler - January 21 at 10:49 PM



“ 137 files added to the album Life Tributes



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - January 21 at 04:48 PM

SW

“ Joanne I'm sorry for your loss. Praying for you and your family. Hugs and Love 🙏
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Sandy Kitchens Warren - January 21 at 01:56 PM

NB

“ A time will come when we have to say goodbye to the people we love. Our time together was lovely. Your emembrance and laughter will be remembered. May the love of God be with you always, RIP Papa Earl! My Condolences to Ms Angie and family! Naomi Bebe



Naomi Bebe - January 21 at 01:54 PM

RM

Angie I am so sorry for your family's loss of Papa Earl. I know he will be missed by so many. Sending my condolences and Prayers 🙏 I know that he is now Smiling in the Presence of the Lord. Sending my Love to you all.
Robbie Martin

Robbie Martin - January 22 at 07:19 AM

ER

“ Walt and family, we are praying for you all during this time that God will be you and comfort you! Eddie and Denise Renfroe



Eddie and Denise Renfroe - January 21 at 11:40 AM

DB

“ From the moment I was introduced to Papa Earl I just knew he was an awesome and Godly man! You could tell that he loved God, family and friends. I always enjoyed being around him!! Angie, Ashley and family, I know y'all will miss him more than words can express!! I will be keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers!!! I love y'all!!!!

Donna Beasley - January 20 at 06:06 PM