

John Howard Williams August 9, 1943 - July 24, 2023

Celebrating the Life of

John Howard Williams

Friday, July 28, 2023 10:00 a.m.
First United Methodist Church Beaumont
Beaumont, Texas
Reverend Jeremy Wester

Prelude

"How Great Thou Art"

by Carrie Underwood

Words of Welcome and Grace

Hymn

"When the Roll is Called Up Yonder"

Scripture Readings

John 14:1-7, John 3:16

Ms. Remi Williams Mr. Tanner Williams

David and Goliath

Homily

Affirmation of Faith

"The Apostle's Creed"

UMH #881

Hymn

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

UMH #526 (all 3 verses)

Words of Remembrance

Mr. Jim Balfanz Mayor Roy West

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Holy Communion and The Lord's Prayer (sung)

(Music during Communion: Jesus Loves Me; The Old Rugged Cross; Let Us Break Bread Together)

Hymn

"Amazing Grace"

UMH #378

(all 6 verses)

Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude

When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder

When the trumpet of the Lord shall sound and time shall be no more,

And the morning breaks, eternal, bright and fair;

When the saved of earth shall gather over on the other shore,

And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

Refrain:

When the roll is called up yonder,

When the roll is called up yonder,

When the roll is called up yonder,

When the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

On that bright and cloudless morning when the dead in Christ shall rise,

And the glory of his resurrection share;

When his chosen ones shall gather to their home beyond the skies,

And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there. [Refrain]

Let us labor for the Master from the dawn till setting sun;

Let us talk of all his wondrous love and care.

Then when all of life is over and our work on earth is done,

And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there. [Refrain]



John Howard Williams, 79, of Beaumont, went to be with God on Monday, July 24, 2023. He was born August 9, 1943, to Catherine Gisch Williams and H.B. Williams of Beaumont. John was a man who never met a stranger, who loved all people, and more than anything cherished the relationships in his life.

Above all else, John's relationship with God was the most important

thing to him. He never hesitated to pray over anyone or remind them of their creator. He was an active member of the congregation at First United Methodist Church Beaumont from the time he was baptized there until he passed. John not only attended church on Sunday's, but gave back by teaching the Pathfinders Sunday School class and Youth Sunday School. While some may remember John by his commanding voice, everyone will remember by the words spoken from it. His compassion and love for Jesus showed through his every word and action.

His relationship with his family was a close second for John. Being married to the love of his life, Sandra, for 57 years, and raising their 4 children together meant everything to him. John was a devoted husband and father and worked hard to provide for his family. He taught his children the importance of treating people with kindness, how to work hard to get results, and how to be respectful and mature from a young age.

During his life, John owned and operated Industrial Plastics and worked at Beaumont Bone and Joint Deli as well as Zummo Meat Company. In his free time, he made it a point to spend time in his community, giving back and making even more relationships with the people around him.

Given his love of sports, he was a coach, umpire, and board member at West End Little League as well as Little Dribblers, and was a member of his bowling league. He volunteered with the PTA, was a member of the BISD School Board, and the BPM Club. During the holidays John even volunteered to be Santa Claus, bringing joy and laughter to the kids of Beaumont year after year.

His passion for people, community, family, and God will be his legacy. He will be remembered as a man of integrity, strength, compassion, and faith.

John is survived by his wife, Sandra Williams; children Troy Williams and his wife, Julee Greeson Williams, of Frisco; Kimberly Williams, of Beaumont; Kelley Williams of Beaumont; and Trent Williams and his wife, Kelly Rush Williams, of Pearland; grandchildren, Tanner, Keegan, Remi, Trinity, Rush, Tate, and Holly Williams; and nephew, Chuck Williams.

He is preceded in death by his parents, H.B. and Catherine Williams; brother, Charles T. "Spanky" Williams and his wife, Margaret Williams; and niece, Cathy Minton.

This tribute was written by his granddaughter, Keegan Williams.















































Pallbearers

David Smith James Broussard James Balfanz Chuck Williams Mike Miller Dr. Shawn Figari

Honorary Pallbearers

Tanner Williams Keegan Williams Remi Williams Trinity Williams Rush Williams Tate Williams Holly Williams

Interment

Forest Lawn Memorial Park Beaumont, Texas

Memorial Contributions

First United Methodist Church Beaumont 701 Calder Avenue Beaumont, Texas 77701

Arrow Child and Family Ministries 4810 Ward Drive Beaumont, Texas 77705

A gathering will follow his interment at 1:00 p.m., at JW's Patio, 6420 Phelan Boulevard, Beaumont.

