

As We Look Back



As we look back over time
 We find ourselves wondering
 Did we remember to thank you enough
 For all you have done for us?
 For all the times you were by our sides
 To help and support us
 To celebrate our successes
 To understand our problems
 And accept our defeats?
 Or for teaching us by your example,
 The value of hard work, good judgment,
 Courage and integrity?
 We wonder if we ever thanked you
 For the sacrifices you made.
 To let us have the very best?
 And for the simple things
 Like laughter, smiles and times we shared?
 If we have forgotten to show our
 Gratitude enough for all the things you did,
 We're thanking you now.
 And we are hoping you knew all along,
 How much you meant to us.



ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Randy Stafford Jason Dirkson
 Scott Dirkson Travis Carr
 Ivan Reeves Chad King

FLORAL BEARERS



Nieces and Friends

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Billy Cotton Alonzo Carr
 James Reeves James Seay
 Perry Woods Ray Neal

Acknowledgements

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a floral piece, if so, we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words. As any friend could say, perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us this day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we *THANK YOU* so very much, whatever the part.

The family of the late William Allen Dirkson



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A Homegoing Celebration

For the Late

*William Allen
 Dirkson*

April 12, 1946 ~ September 28, 2017

*Tuesday,
 October 3, 2017*

Family Visitation

12:00 Noon ~ 1:00 PM

Funeral Service 1:00 PM

Neuble Memorial

Funeral Home

1330 Bluebird Rd

Lebanon, Tennessee

*Pastor Jerry Paine,
 Officiating & Eulogist*

-Interment-

Wilson County

Memorial Gardens

Lebanon, Tennessee



Life's Reflections



William Allen Dirkson was born on April 12, 1946 to the late Annie Dee Dirkson and Arthur William David Dirkson in Smith County, Tennessee. At an early age, he professed a hope in Christ. William joined New Fairview Missionary Baptist Church, where he

served as a deacon.

He departed this life on September 28, 2017 at Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

Mr. Dirkson graduated from Wilson County High in 1963. He enlisted in the United States Army and began serving in April, 1966. After receiving his artillery training at Fort Bennett, Georgia. William trained others before reporting to Vietnam. He held various positions including ammo-chief and sergeant. While serving in Vietnam, Mr. Dirkson was badly injured in battle and received two Bronze Stars, a Purple Heart and several campaign medals. William was a proud member of the American Legion Post # 179.

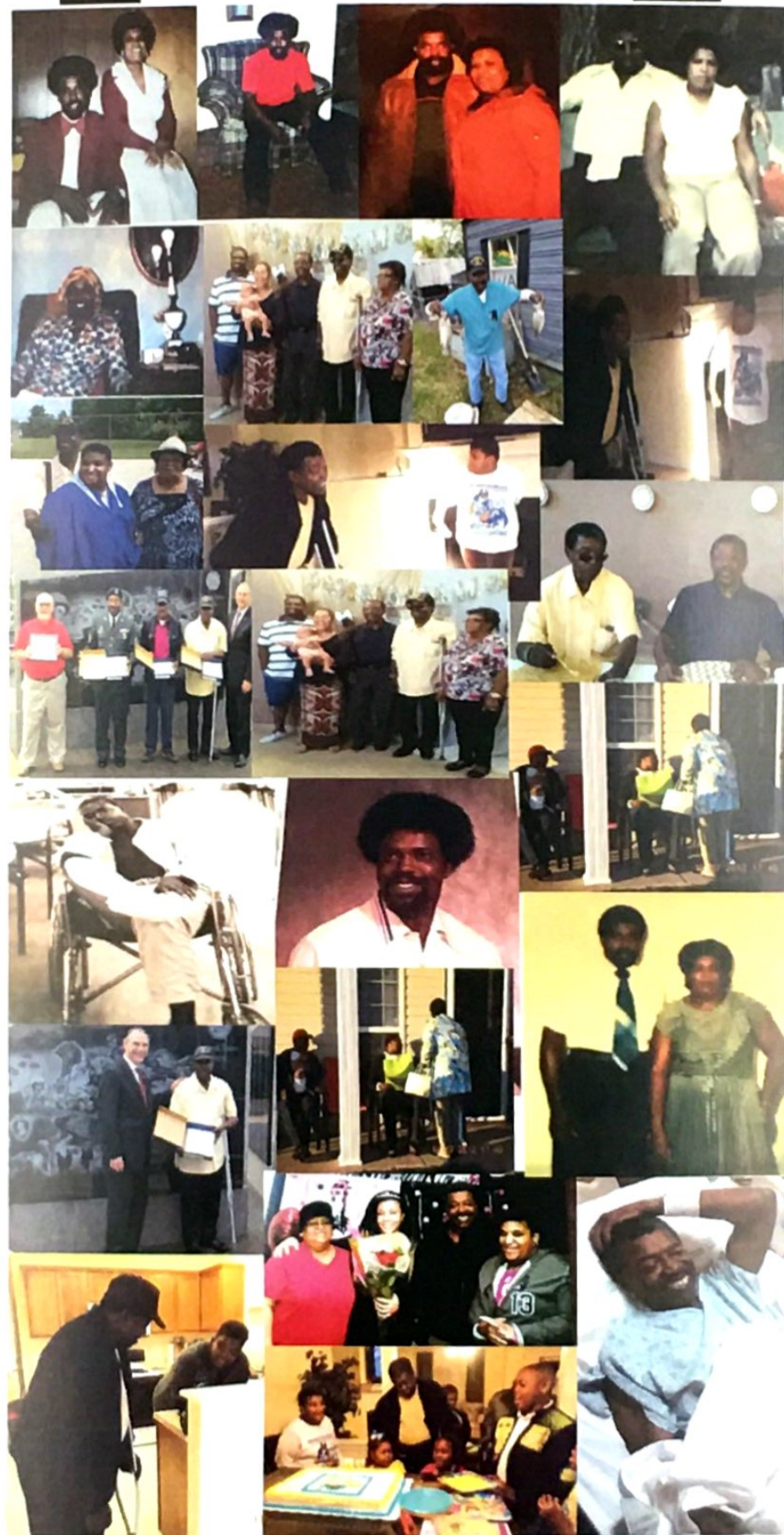
William Dirkson held many jobs to provide for his family to name a few Wilson County Motors, Robert Shaw, and Nissan to which he retired from in 2007. However, his true passion and profession was fishing and avid storyteller. He was a master fisherman. No one could turn a phrase like "Willie D."

He was united in holy matrimony to Mary Catherine King for forty-two years. To this union one son was born, Zachary Allen Dirkson. Three grandchildren, Zahria Venee Dirkson, Zander Ray Dirkson and Keylyn Lee Dirkson. William is preceded in death by his parents and one brother, James Edward Dirkson.

Those who will cherish his memory include his wife, son, grandchildren. Five siblings, Mary Margaret (late Eugene) Stafford, Earl (Irene) Dirkson, Ernestine Dirkson, Benjamin Dirkson and Dellas Barr. Two very devoted cousins, Sarah Corder and Cynthia Dirkson. Six sisters-in-law, four brothers-in-law. A host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends. Two devoted friends, Ray Neal and Clarence (Angie & Carli) Williams.



Life Moments



Order of Service

*Pastor Jerry Paine, Officiating
Mt. Pilgrim Baptist ~Elmwood, TN*

Family Visitation 12 Noon ~ 1:00PM

<i>Prelude</i>	<i>Soft Music</i>
<i>The Parting View</i>	
<i>Selection</i>	<i>Cousinnaries</i>
<i>Scripture</i>	<i>Reverend Wilke Winfree</i>
<i>Prayer</i>	<i>Reverend Wilke Winfree</i>
<i>Solo</i>	<i>Cousinnaries</i>
<i>Acknowledgements & Resolutions</i>	
	<i>Ariedell Stewart</i>
<i>Obituary</i>	<i>Read Silently w/ soft music</i>
<i>Selection</i>	<i>Cousinnaries</i>
<i>Words of Comfort</i>	<i>Visiting Ministry(3 minutes, Pts)</i>
<i>Solo</i>	<i>Cousinnaries</i>
<i>Eulogy</i>	<i>Pastor Jerry Paine</i>
<i>Recessional</i>	
<i>Benediction</i>	

Interment:

*Wilson County Memorial Gardens
Lebanon, Tennessee*

Repast: Pickett-Rucker Methodist Church