



Mr. Robert Neal

November 20, 1946 - September 1, 2024

Robert Lee Neal, affectionately known to many as “Neal Hairston” or simply “Neal,” was born on November 20, 1946, in Hempstead, NY, and departed this life for his eternal rest on September 1, 2024, in Greenville, NC.

Educated in Davidson County, Robert spent many years as a dedicated supervisor in the textile manufacturing industry, where his strong work ethic and leadership left a lasting impact on those he worked with.

Outside of work, Robert was a lover of life, music, and, most importantly, his family and friends. He found great joy in the simple pleasures of spending time with loved ones, sharing stories, and creating memories.

Above all, Robert was immensely proud of his daughters, his “girls”, Lashonda and Andrea, who were the lights of his life. He celebrated them every holiday with great love and care, especially on their birthdays, Christmas, and Valentine’s Day. His daughters will always remember him as their first Valentine, a role he cherished deeply.

He was preceded in death by his beloved grandparents, Mack and Marie Chaplain, and his devoted sister, Barbara Fowler.

Robert is survived by his loving mother, Elva Jean Parmelee, and his devoted sister, Linda Grimes; his beloved daughters, Lashonda Neal and Andrea Neal; his cherished grandchildren, Tarik Neal and Makenzi “Amayah” Smith; and his great-granddaughter, Aaris Neal; a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins will forever remember him with love.

Robert’s presence will be profoundly missed, but his spirit will live on in the

hearts of those who loved him.

Previous Events

Viewing

SEP **14.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Celebration of Life Service

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Tribute Wall

KA

“ Thank you Mr. Neal for being the best daddy to my best friend and for being a forever part of my village. Your impact will be imbedded in this world for decades through your girls and grands.

Kassaundra - September 12, 2024 at 02:17 PM

LS

“ L. Sparkman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Neal



L. Sparkman - September 10, 2024 at 09:57 AM

TM

“ RIP Neal 🙏 Thank you for our beautiful precious gifts, LaShonda and Andrea. They were your heart beats and you definitely were and forever will be theirs. You were a great dad and Papa and your legacy will be remembered.



Teresa McNair - September 06, 2024 at 05:16 PM

PN

“ Dear newly found cousins; Wishing you peace and comfort during this difficult time. Thinking of your father and how much you loved him, and we wish we could have met him during his amazing lifetime. Please know we will keep you all in our hearts, thoughts, and prayers. Sending our sincere condolences 🙏



Patricia Neal - September 06, 2024 at 05:08 PM



Thank you so much! ❤️❤️🙏

LaShonda Neal - September 06, 2024 at 08:08 PM

TA

“ To my papa: I love you papa and miss the greatest times we had to playing the game and you buying windshield wipers for my car thank you for everything you did for me ,momma and auntie I love you much wish you were still here but lk you would want me to keep going and pushing I love you forever papa and you will always be in my heart 🙏🙏❤️

tarik - September 06, 2024 at 02:17 PM

RJ

“ My prayers are for the family. This is your cousin Dr.Wilbert B Johnson who lives in Kinston. I will stay in touch and keep praying for the family.

Rev.Dr.Wilbert B Johnson - September 06, 2024 at 10:13 AM



“Daddy,
Before our last 18 years together in Greenville, we shared the first 18 together in Lexington NC. I'll never forget our bike rides, cookouts, our love of desserts, your brownies and spaghetti, your sense of humor, your wisdom, your protection, your kindness. Tarik will always remember the times you spent with him rather at T-Ball or Flag Football games, playing X Box games together, picking him up at school with some snacks on hand and just being “Papa Neal”. Even in your frustrations you came through. Me and Andrea will love you forever. Mayah will have her memories and our stories to share and Aaris will have our memories. Sleep well until we meet again, Daddy. I love you and you're forever in my heart.

LaShonda Neal - September 05, 2024 at 03:16 PM

MM

“My Uncle Robert Neal, you will be greatly missed, he opened his heart and home to me as a young child, I learned a lot from my uncle all the way down to subtraction, how to carry, omg he taught me that, I got it unc I got it, rest easy, Unc I will always be your MollyB, Shonda and Andrea stay strong keep each other strong just know I'm here for you 💔

Marlo Moore - September 05, 2024 at 11:46 AM

LL

Condolences to the Family:
The Powers Family
The Anderson Family
The Lewis Family

Linda Kaye Powers Lewis - September 06, 2024 at 02:50 PM

CM

“ To the family of Robert Neal, my sympathy goes out to you all, had the pleasure of knowing him a long time . May God continue to bless all of you at this time.

charlene welborn mabry - September 05, 2024 at 11:44 AM

PF

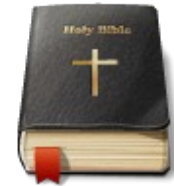
“ Pastor Milton& Delorse Staton Family lit a candle in memory of Robert Neal



Pastor Milton& Delorse Staton Family - September 02, 2024 at 06:11 PM

EH

“ My Thoughts And Prayers Are With The Family



Evangelist Gwen Hudson - September 02, 2024 at 01:37 PM

CS

“ Congleton Funeral Home and Staff wishes to express our sincere condolences on the passing of your love one. We light this candle in their memory.



Congleton Funeral Home and Staff - September 01, 2024 at 02:35 PM

MM

Uncle Neal will be greatly missed, growing up Unc was a daddy to me opening his home to me like I was his, I will always be his MOLLYB, don't know where this name came from, he taught me alot, to my cousins Shonda and Andrea my heart goes out to you, stay strong and hold each other together, sending hugs and kisses 💔

Marlo Moore - September 04, 2024 at 08:37 AM