



## Bro. Aulander Williams

May 19, 1939 - September 16, 2013

Brother Aulander Williams, a devoted husband and loving father and grandfather was born on May 19, 1939 to Memphis and Mary Williams. He grew up in Rocky Mount, North Carolina being raised by his grandparents, Arthur and Annie Williams along with his three sisters and brother. He lived a few years in New York where he met Doris Branch. They married on February 12, 1971. After leaving New York, they moved to Rocky Mount and it has been home ever since.

In 1973, Aulander began studying the bible with Jehovah's Witnesses and was baptized on March 4, 1974. This was especially special because not only was his wife Doris was baptized on the same day, he was the one that baptized her. Aulander went on to enjoy many privileges within the Christian Congregation. He served as an elder, a regular pioneer, and even conducted the orchestra at the Circuit Assemblies. He will be best remembered for his deep love for Jehovah and his unwavering faith in the promises spoken through God's word the Bible. He made known his faith by sharing with anyone at anytime Kingdom truths. With his patience and persistence, he was able to help others to come to an accurate knowledge of the Bible.

When he was not in the ministry, Aulander enjoyed spending time with his wife, children, but especially enjoyed having his grandchildren around. He had a passion for music, especially Jazz. He played the trumpet and enjoyed teaching musical notes to his grandchildren. Aulander also enjoyed sports such as tennis and in the past enjoyed playing tennis with some of the Brothers. He also liked to watch television shows such as the "The Andy Griffith Show" and "Perry Mason".

Even though he was ill, he never complained. He wanted to make sure he kept a positive attitude and felt that encouraging others was of utmost importance. Even though he was not able to physically make it to the Kingdom Hall in recent weeks, he would listen over the telephone. It has been said that he would listen out for comments and if he noticed that you did not comment he wanted to know first if you had attended the meeting, if so, why you did not comment. This was his way of saying that commenting was a way of encouraging others.

Aulander has temporarily left behind to cherish his memories his loving wife, Doris Williams; his two children: daughter, Alexine Neal (Preston) , and son, Aaron

Williams (Ellen) ; his four grandchildren: Kiara Neal, Tyler Neal, Greyson Williams, and Eden Williams, whom he was looking forward to meeting in a few months.

Aulander also leaves behind to cherish his memories; his mother, Mary Williams of San Antonio, TX; his siblings: Lorraine Jones of Kingsport, TN; Rachel Elder (Tom) of Riverside, CA; Arthur Williams (Leola) of Orlando, FL; Carolyn Vaughn (David) of Philadelphia, PA; Deborah Walker (Ronald) of Fayetteville, NC; Renee Claiborne of San Antonio, TX; and Tommy Bennett of Atlanta, GA; a host of nieces, nephews, and many other family members and very dear friends.

His mild-temper, laid back personality and willingness to help anyone in any way, drew others to him. Aulander will be truly missed but never forgotten. He would always say, "This world is temporary and we have something better to look forward to. Jehovah is going to take care of it. We are right around the corner."

