

Eli S. Williams

April 23, 2022

Eli S. Williams, 69, of Lancaster, PA, transitioned into glory on Saturday, April 23, 2022. He was the son of the late Theodore Roosevelt Williams, Sr. and Patricia Ann (Hart) Williams.

His schooling with the School District of Lancaster began at Reigart School. He moved on to George Washington Elementary, Edward Hand Jr. High and J.P. McCaskey High School. He was a member of the swim team while attending Edward Hand Jr. High. He enjoyed all the adventures that came with being a Boy Scout (Troop 104). He was on the soccer team at McCaskey and graduated in 1971. He then moved on to attend Millersville University. His time there was shortened due to him being drafted into the United States Air Force where he proudly served.

Moving into the workforce, Eli was a member of the Lancaster City Auxiliary Police Force serving as an accident investigator; a position he thoroughly enjoyed. For the next couple of years, he worked at RCA and then Armstrong World Industries. He found a passion in his final career as a Pennsylvania State Constable. He served the magistrate courts located in the Southeast section of Lancaster. He experienced a sense of fulfillment when his words and actions led to a positive change. He was an active member of the Constable Association.

He leaves behind his wife of 42 years, Janet L. Williams, former SDOL teacher from Morton, PA; an Aunt Mary Bohee; two brothers, Ted and Gregg; a sister, Kim; and a host of children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, in-laws, cousins, nieces, and nephews.

A viewing will be held at The Groffs Family Funeral Home, 528 W. Orange Street, Lancaster on Monday, May 2, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. A time of remembering will be from 11:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. A private graveside burial will be reserved for family. We thank you for your support during this difficult time.

Previous Events

Viewing

MAY 2. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc
528 W Orange St.
Lancaster, PA 17603
(717) 394-5300
admin@thegroffs.com
<https://thegroffs.com/>

Remembrance Gathering

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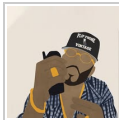
Tribute Wall



“ *The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Eli S. Williams*

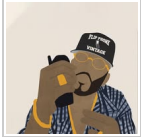


The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - May 02, 2022 at 01:01 PM



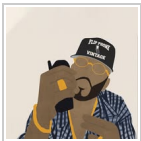
I love you OG

Marcus Williams - September 20, 2025 at 10:07 PM



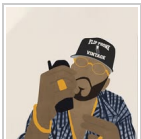
“ *Happy thanksgiving OG*

Marcus Williams - November 27, 2025 at 09:45 AM



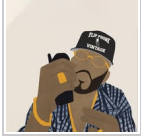
“ *I love you OG*

Marcus Williams - November 17, 2025 at 07:27 PM



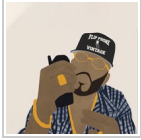
“ *Miss you OG*

Marcus Williams - October 17, 2025 at 11:11 PM



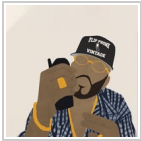
“ I miss you OG. I'll be by to see you and clean off your stone.

Marcus Williams - October 14, 2025 at 10:26 PM



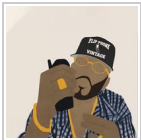
“ Missing you more today

Marcus Williams - October 09, 2025 at 06:15 AM



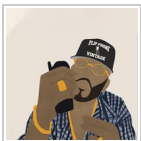
“ Missing you so much

Marcus Williams - September 22, 2025 at 08:59 AM



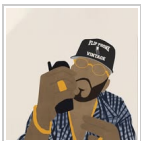
“ I really miss you a lot dad. Still thinking about you.

Marcus Williams - August 12, 2025 at 10:03 PM



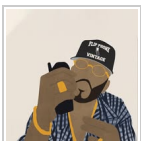
“ Miss you OG. Thinking about you all the time. Your memory and name will live forever

Marcus Williams - July 08, 2025 at 05:38 PM



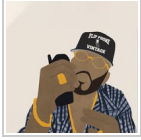
“ I miss you OG. I think about you daily. Hasn't gotten easier, but still pushing forward. Your legacy is a great one and I will do my best to steward what you have given me. I love you Dad

Marcus Williams - June 19, 2025 at 01:07 PM



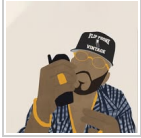
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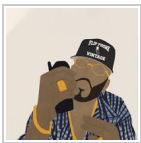
“ Miss you OG. Would love a hug from you right now.

Marcus Williams - May 05, 2025 at 09:04 PM



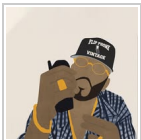
“ Missing you dad. Thinking about you. It is well with my soul.

Marcus Williams - April 04, 2025 at 08:45 PM



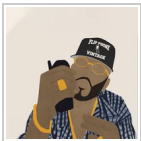
“ Missing you so much dad.

Marcus Williams - March 22, 2025 at 06:04 PM



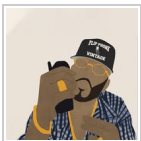
“ Miss you dad 🙏🏾👍🏾

Marcus Williams - March 10, 2025 at 07:23 AM



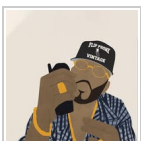
“ We have witnessed greatness again with the Eagles winning the Super Bowl dad. Would have been a great and exciting game to watch together. I love you OG. Miss you every second.

Marcus Williams - February 18, 2025 at 06:06 AM



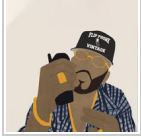
“ Love and miss you OG. Eagles doing real good this year.

Marcus Williams - January 20, 2025 at 10:49 AM



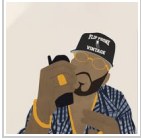
“ Merry Christmas OG

Marcus Williams - December 27, 2024 at 05:37 AM



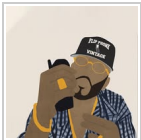
“ *Love you OG*

Marcus Williams - December 15, 2024 at 08:09 AM



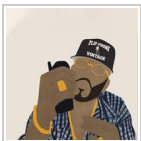
“ *Fly Eagles Fly. Wish you were here to watch the games with. Miss you dad.*

Marcus Williams - December 03, 2024 at 12:51 AM



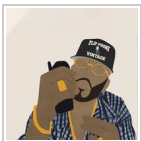
“ *I love you OG*

Marcus Williams - November 19, 2024 at 11:29 PM



“ *Missing you more and more dad. I love you with all of my heart.*

Marcus Williams - November 04, 2024 at 11:16 PM



“ *Think about you everyday. Miss you dad*

Marcus Williams - September 12, 2024 at 11:08 AM

MW

“ Dad,
I can't believe it's only year 2. I've still got forever to go. 🥹

Nothing and no one can fill the hole of you not being here....but
Charleston is doing a pretty good job of fulfilling your role as
Protector. 🦾

I know you would love ❤️ him as much as I do...and he'd love
playtime with you like Stormy I, II, & III. 🐶🐶🐶

Love ❤️ and miss you dearly!!

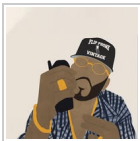


Monet Williams - August 08, 2024 at 09:39 PM



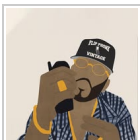
“ We miss you here dad. Daily think of you and all the great
memories together. I love you.

Marcus Williams - June 25, 2024 at 07:52 PM



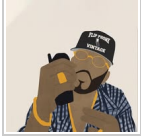
“ Miss you dad. Still fighting here. Our hearts miss you.

Marcus Williams - June 03, 2024 at 11:56 AM



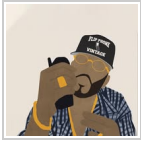
“ I thank Jesus for the sacrifice of him. Because of that, we can enjoy
our new home and life in heaven. I know you're up there with the
father pain free. I miss you more and more. See you soon father

Marcus Williams - May 08, 2024 at 09:29 PM



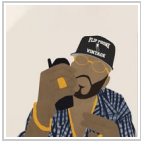
“ Celebrated your life yesterday. What great memories we have had with you here. You are one of a kind. We miss you dearly dad. I Love You 🍷

Marcus Williams - April 24, 2024 at 01:07 AM



“ Missing you OG. Tomorrow marks two years. My heart misses you dad.

Marcus Williams - April 22, 2024 at 07:27 PM



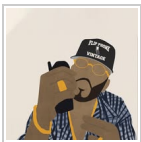
“ Miss you OG. Your name still lives on strong.

Marcus Williams - April 09, 2024 at 01:07 PM



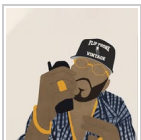
“ My afternoon commutes are not the same. Miss talking to you on my way home. Love you Dad! ❤️

Monét Williams - February 15, 2024 at 10:22 AM



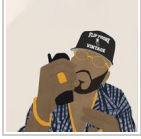
“ Love you OG missing you

Marcus Williams - February 05, 2024 at 06:44 PM



“ Merry Christmas Dad 🍷🍷🍷🍷. Miss you dearly.

Marcus Williams - December 26, 2023 at 09:17 AM



“ *Another great year for the Eagles football dad. You would be loving it. Miss you OG*

Marcus Williams - November 06, 2023 at 03:59 AM



“ *Eli S. Williams*

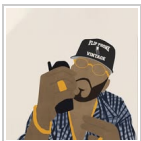
October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Constantly thinking about you can't go anywhere or can't go a day without hearing your name... still have your voice saved on my phone. Whenever I'm missing you I play your message and go visit you. We definitely miss you over here and so do both your grandsons over here... rest up love ya... 🙌*



Eli S Williams Jr - September 28, 2023 at 07:54 AM

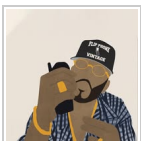


“ *Missing you like crazy dad. I will forever keep your legacy going. You're my hero.*

Love always

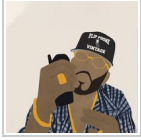
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Marcus Williams - August 08, 2023 at 09:28 PM



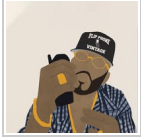
“ *Not a day goes by when you're not missed dad. I would give anything to have you here again. I miss you OG*

Marcus Williams - July 21, 2023 at 04:07 AM



“ *Still missing you like crazy dad. Things aren't the same.*

Marcus Williams - June 13, 2023 at 04:02 PM



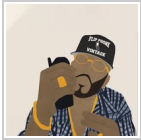
“ *Love you dad. Miss your voice. Still celebrating you each and every day. Your name will always live on.*

Marcus Williams - March 31, 2023 at 07:03 PM



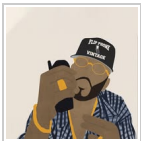
“ *Still missing you dad. Your name will forever love through me and the kids.*

Marcus Williams - January 17, 2023 at 06:01 AM



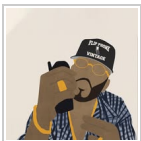
“ *Still missing you each day*

Marcus Williams - November 14, 2022 at 09:26 PM



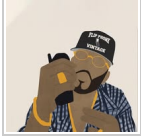
“ *Miss you dad very much*

Marcus Williams - October 19, 2022 at 08:53 PM



“ *Happy birthday dad. You're missed everyday. Your legacy will always live on forever*

Marcus Williams - September 05, 2022 at 02:53 PM



“ *John 14:27 ESV /*

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

Marcus Williams - June 03, 2022 at 10:36 PM



“ *Prayers Are Being Lifted Up For My Dear Soror Janet And The Williams Family! My Deepest Condolences!*

*Linda A Crews
Midlothian, VA*



Linda A Crews - May 01, 2022 at 09:38 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Eli S. Williams.*



May 01, 2022 at 09:01 PM

“ I knew Eli all my life, but in 4th. grade, Mrs. Gensemer’s class at George Washington we were in the same class for the first time. In 6th. grade I was in Mr. Loht’s class, Eli was next door in Mr. Kolher’s class. The classes used to play Spanish baseball against each other. From 7th. grade to high school we were all in the same class. 3 years all the same kids. 7th. 8th. and 9th. grade. Our row was at the end of the alphabet, Vaughn, Waters, Whedbee, West, Williams, Wilson, Wilson, Wise and Wynn. The others in the class were Connie Pickel, Luanne Tangert, Luanne Weiler, Donna Houser, Jane Plauger, Debbie Tome, Chipper Thomas, Charlie Rupp, Ray Eichelberger, Ricky Vatter, Debbie Young, Ann Marie McFadden, Hazel Taltoan, Liz Stokes, Jim Thatcher, and a bunch more at Hand Junior High. On the way to school Eli would run ahead of the group, open a gate and bark at the dog inside, the dog would charge out and chase 20 or 30 of us up onto the neighbors cars and everywhere until the owner came out of the house and retrieved the dog. This happened on a weekly basis. We all learned our multiplication tables in Mr. Bertzfield’s math class. We all took turns pretending we were shooting at the ducks on his 6 inch wide neckties. In 9th grade at Edward Hand, Eli talked me into walking to McCaskey as freshman to join the McCaskey swim team. In 10th. grade Eli talked me into joining the JV soccer team. On the soccer team we hung out with Barry Moffet, Mel Newcomer, Gary Paul’s, Bob Kilp, Ron O’Dell, and a whole bunch of guys from the other 3 junior high schools. This would include Lancaster Township Junior High. Our high school years were filled with a lot of drama and strife. A lot of troubles in the world 1968-1971. We all got through it, thankfully. The civil rights era coming full fold, and protests about poverty and war. Unfortunately the Vietnam war was the next thing some of our class members had to deal with. I don’t know if today’s kids could handle some of the things we had to face. Eli, because of his birthday would have been drafted because of his birthday in the draft lottery, so he enlisted to serve our country. When Eli returned we both found ourselves employed in law enforcement. We remained good friends throughout the years, even snorkeled together on vacation in the Caribbean. He always asked me about

our friends from the past. We would compare notes on our classmates. Eli will always be etched in our memories as a person who stood out, always had something good to say, and always wished the best for everyone else. God bless my friend from elementary school. God bless his family. He is in a better place now.

Gerald Wilson - May 01, 2022 at 08:55 PM

JT

“ *Cousin you will be missed, I'll miss your messages and I'll miss us talking about our family tree. Love always cousin.*

Jackie Lee Tutwiler

Message from Aunt Marian

Eli you will always be in my heart, I Love you. May you Rest in Peace.

Love

Aunt Marian

jacqueline Rene Tutwiler - May 01, 2022 at 08:21 PM

JT

“ *jacqueline Rene Tutwiler purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Eli S. Williams.*



jacqueline Rene Tutwiler - May 01, 2022 at 08:06 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Eli S. Williams*.



April 29, 2022 at 08:16 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of *Eli S. Williams*.



April 29, 2022 at 03:34 PM



“ *Brother Gregg and Dawna Williams* purchased the *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* for the family of *Eli S. Williams*.



Brother Gregg and Dawna Williams - April 29, 2022 at 01:55 PM

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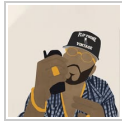
“ *Eli, you have been my brother-in-law for the past 42 years. It was a win-win for everyone when you came into our family. You became more like another brother to me. I am going to miss you and your jokes! I take comfort in knowing that you are at peace. God has other plans for you now.*
Love you Eli. Thanks for being a part of our family and for blessing us with many good memories.
Debbie Warrick

Debbie Warrick - April 28, 2022 at 05:37 PM

CO

“ *Your DaVita team is missing you dearly. HUGS*

Colleen - April 28, 2022 at 08:52 AM



Appreciate all you all did for my father during his time there.

Marcus Williams - August 08, 2023 at 09:32 PM

CW

“ *Cuz, I will miss our messages to each other, may you rest in peace..
Condolences to the family.*

Love Cookie Williams-Plowden

Cookie Williams-Plowden - April 28, 2022 at 01:52 AM

AC

“ *One of the best friend a man can have...deepest condolences to the family. Cunningham Family*

Anthony Cunningham - April 27, 2022 at 07:40 PM

YM

“ *Eli you were always a good friend to me.....you will be missed and I will always remember our talks about live....my condolences to your family.....may you RIH my friend.... Yvette McClain 🥺🥺*

Yvette McClain - April 27, 2022 at 06:52 PM

DS

“ *So very sorry to the family for the loss of Eli*

DONNA SPEECE - April 27, 2022 at 12:16 PM

LI

“ *I am very sorry for your loss, I attended George Washington, Edward Hand, and McCaskey with Eli.*

Luann Tangert Irwin

Luann Irwin - April 27, 2022 at 04:39 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Eli S. Williams.*



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