



## Mr. Otis Bates

August 14, 1958 - August 9, 2022

Mr. Otis William Bates was born on August 14, 1958 to the late Oscar and Ella Bates in Concord, NC. Otis was the eldest of two children, whose younger brother Robert Bates (Veronica) preceded him in death. On Tuesday, August 9th, Otis entered into his eternal resting place.

Otis graduated from West Charlotte High School, in Charlotte, NC in 1976. Upon graduating, Otis immediately enlisted into the United States Army. He served 20 years while completing tours in Korea and in Germany. After retiring from the military, Otis was a truck driver for Conway for 18 years. Otis faced many health challenges throughout his life but found pleasure in buying cars, fishing, grilling, talking to his Conway brothers, listening to gospel music and commenting on family's Face-book posts.

He was a longtime member of Lewis Chapel Missionary Baptist Church. And after service he loved to come home and cheer on his Carolina Panthers.

Otis leaves behind his loving wife and devoted caregiver of 24 years, Darlene Bates. From this union they were blessed with a blended family; Shakira Everheart (Hondo), Shelbi Miller, and Kalah Miller. From these blessings Otis had seven grandchildren; Eva Buchanan, Daeqwon Bates, Serenity Howard, Damitriuz Everheart, Julianna Everheart, Hondo Everheart Jr., Destiny Kershaw and great-grandson Robert Buchanan III. His niece and nephew,

Tanica Bost and Robert Bates Jr., and his great-nephew Tymon Holloman, along with a host of cousins and other relatives will cherish his memory forever.

# Cemetery Details

## Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery

8220 Bragg Blvd  
Spring Lake, NC 28390

# Previous Events

## Viewing

AUG 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

Lewis Chapel Missionary Baptist Church  
5422 Raeford Road  
Fayetteville, NC

## Funeral

AUG 18. 12:00 PM (ET)

Lewis Chapel Missionary Baptist Church  
5422 Raeford Road  
Fayetteville, NC

# Tribute Wall

RM

“ Prayers of peace and comfort as only Holy Spirit can give. May He undergird and wrap you and the girls in His everlasting arms my dear Sister Darlene. Love Renata



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**Renata Marlowe** - August 17, 2022 at 10:10 PM

JB

“ Joyce And Beverly Bowden lit a candle in memory of Mr. Otis Bates



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**Joyce and Beverly Bowden** - August 17, 2022 at 05:51 PM

JJ

“ Thinking of you and the girls.



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**Jacqui Jones** - August 17, 2022 at 07:44 AM

JK

“ To the Bates family. You'll have my condolences and prayers. Know you are not alone during this difficult time. We love you. May God continue to Bless you.

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**Janice Kent** - August 16, 2022 at 09:13 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Mr. Otis Bates.



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August 16, 2022 at 10:43 AM



“ *Elisa Bryant lit a candle in memory of Mr. Otis Bates*



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**Elisa Bryant** - August 15, 2022 at 03:38 PM



“ *Antoinette McLaughlin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Otis Bates*



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**Antoinette McLaughlin** - August 15, 2022 at 03:35 PM



“ *Barbra Hayes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Otis Bates*



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**Barbra Hayes** - August 14, 2022 at 05:14 PM



“ *My Life time friend 10 Years in the Army*

**Martin Nixon** - August 13, 2022 at 11:16 AM

WB

“ *William (Yoke) And Phyllis Burrus sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Otis Bates*



**William (Yoke) and Phyllis Burrus** - August 12, 2022 at 06:37 PM

TB

“ *Tanica Bost lit a candle in memory of Mr. Otis Bates*



**Tanica Bost** - August 12, 2022 at 06:27 PM

KH

*To the Bates Family,Mr.Ms Harley,send the Family our condolences an love to you.*

**Katherine Harley** - August 17, 2022 at 11:08 AM