



Rondy Neely

March 5, 1954 - February 7, 2024

Rondy “Rochea” Neely was born on March 5, 1954, in Charlotte, N.C. He unexpectedly departed this life on February 7, 2024. Rochea was preceded in death by his grandparents William and Essie Neely and father Eddie W. Drakeford. He is survived by his mother Willie Thelma Covington of Charlotte, N.C., daughter Dr. Misha (Chris) Rogers of Concord, N.C., siblings Belinda Webb and Sheryl “Kandi” Drakeford of Charlotte, N.C., granddaughters Camille and Caleigh Rogers of Concord, N.C., as well as a host of family and friends. Rochea was a J.T. Williams Class of 1969 alumni member. He also attended West Charlotte High School being a part of the marching band. After high school, Rochea became an entrepreneur as a landscaper and driver. Rochea was a die-hard Pittsburgh Steelers fan who had a love for fishing and music playing the trumpet, saxophone, and guitar. His passion for music led to him having the privilege of playing the trumpet and singing in the band with Maurice Williams and the Zodiacs. Although he was not wealthy materially, Rochea was a devoted servant to the community, becoming a blessing to others by assisting the disabled and senior citizens. He found pleasure in learning new skills, spending time with family and friends, watching sports, as well as messing around on the computer.

Cemetery Details

York Memorial Park Cemetery

5150 S. Tyron Street
Charlotte, NC

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 17. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

A.E. Grier & Sons Funeral and Cremation, LLC.
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Celebration of Life Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ To the family, you have my prayers deepest sympathy. Rochea was a friend and classmate at J. T. and West Charlotte. We talked occasionally and he will be missed. Remember God will be with you because He is your comforter.

Judy Patterson - February 16, 2024 at 08:12 AM

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I met Rochea well over 10 years ago when our team from Central Church would go to Charlottetown Apartments to minister. Rochea was a faithful member of our Sunday services and outreach. We enjoyed getting to know him and visiting him in his apartment when he was sick. He cherished the prayers, and visits and was such a help and great friend to others in the building. When the ministry ended, Rochea kept in touch with many through Facebook. He was a trusted friend. My life has been made richer by knowing Rochea. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Our hearts are broken for the family but we know that he lived a good life and he lived his faith.

Michelle Dowdy - February 19, 2024 at 03:53 PM