

## Should You Go First

Should you go first and I remain,  
To walk the road alone,  
I'll live in memory's garden, dear,  
With happy days we've known.  
In Spring I'll wait for roses red,  
When fades the lilac blue,  
In early Fall when brown leaves call  
I'll catch a glimpse of you. Should  
you go first and I remain,  
For battles to be fought,  
Each thing you've touched along the way  
Will be a hallowed spot.  
I'll hear your voice, I'll see your smile,  
Though blindly I may grope,  
The memory of your helping hand  
Will buy me on with hope.  
Should you go first and I remain,  
To finish with the scroll,  
No length'ning shadows shall creep in  
To make this life seem droll.  
We've known so much of happiness,  
We've had our cup of joy,  
And memory is one gift of God  
That death cannot destroy.

Should you go first and I remain,  
One thing I'd have you do:  
Walk slowly down that long, lone path,  
For soon I'll follow you.  
I'll want to know each step you take  
That I may walk the same,  
For some day down that lonely road  
You'll hear me call your name.

I LOVE YOU!

*Your Wife, Jackie*

**FLORAL BEARERS**  
SUGAR P'S GIRLS

**PALLBEARERS**  
PLATFORM DZYNZ



## Acknowledgement

*Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair  
Perhaps you sent a floral spray if so we saw it there  
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words that any  
friend could say.*

*Perhaps you were not there at all just  
prayed for us that day.*

*Whatever you did to console our hearts  
We thank you so much whatever the part.  
Your every prayer, visit, flowers, cards and the  
many other tangible ways in which you showed  
your kindness was deeply appreciated.*

*We saw all of these  
as God's love shown through you.*

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# Homegoing CELEBRATION

*Honoring the Life of*



**Steven Devonn  
PALMER**  
**"Sugar P"**

**Thursday, March 31, 2022 • 2:00 PM**

**CUNNINGHAM MORTUARY CHAPEL**  
3809 Raeford Road  
Fayetteville, North Carolina

## Order of Service

Processional ..... Clergy and Family

Hymn

Scripture Reading:

OLD TESTAMENT .....Rev. Wilbert Blandon

NEW TESTAMENT ..... Rev. Sam Hill

Solo .....Rev. David Patterson

Prayer of Comfort ..... Mrs. Debra Jelks

Solo .....Rev. David Patterson

Special Tributes .....Three Minutes Please

Obituary (SOFT MUSIC) .....Read Silently  
Mrs. Jackie Ray

Solo ..... Mrs. Cynthia Wright



## Steven's Life...

**STEVEN DEVONN “SUGAR P” PALMER** was born on November 22, 1941 to the union of William “Bill” L. and Armintry “Babe” Palmer. He gained his wings and transitioned into heaven on Saturday, March 19, 2022 at the age of 80 surrounded by his wife and children.

He received his education through the Toledo Public School System. He graduated from the University of Toledo in 1978 receiving a degree in Public Service Technology. He was in the U.S. Army during the late 1950's to early 1960's. Later joining the U.S. Coast Guard in 1962 to 1966. Steven served on the Toledo Police Department from 1969 until his retirement in 1996. After retirement, he moved to North Carolina and worked 10 more years at the Cumberland County Juvenile Detention Center. He received numerous merits, awards and accommodations for all his services throughout his work life.

He was preceded in death by his son, Michael (Poodyman) Palmer; his sister, Marthena (Marty) Mays and his brother, Robert (Bobby) Palmer.

He leaves to cherish his memory a devoted wife of 42 years, Jackie (Babe); daughter, Stephanie (Spiffy) and sons, Douglas (Baby Breeze) and Sharell (Nubbie); one granddaughter, Keyarra (Tink); two grandsons, Shirell (Shi) and Michael (Duece) Palmer, II; two brothers, Dewayne and Stanley Palmer of Toledo, Ohio; three sister-in-laws, Easter Mae (Paul) Crandall, Dorothy Williams and Wanda Carter; his special longtime friends, Louis Weston, Jim Sneed, Henry Cooper, Ray Hardin, Ronald Dubose, Art Walker, Debra Jelks, Penny Rivers and his spe-

cial buddies at Platform Dzynz Barbershop; special niece, Sabrina “Beanie” Jones along with numerous nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

He loved riding his lawn mower and traveling with his family. In his younger days, *Sugar P* played baseball, loved bowling and rode his famous motorcycle. He had a great love for his Cadillacs. He also opened a shop called “*Sugar P's Beauty Bar Detail.*” He was a known sports fan. He loved the Ohio State Buckeyes along with the Cleveland Browns/Indians and LA Lakers. *Sugar P* loved children. There wasn't a child he came into contact with that he didn't greet and play with. He never met a stranger.

*He left this world a better place. His smiles and laughs we will forever cherish in our hearts.*



**S - Soulmate**

**T - Together**

**E - Everlasting**

**V - Venturous**

**E - Eternity**

**N - Never Ending**

FOREVER YOUR LOVING WIFE,

*Jackie* 