



## Mr. Bennie Lee Alexander, Sr.

December 12, 1940 - January 1, 2026

Bennie was born December 12, 1940 in Natchez, Mississippi, the son of the late Catherine Davis Alexander and Matthew Alexander. He was affectionately known as "Barlow", a nickname earned during his high school football years, was a 1960 graduate of Sadie V. Thompson High School. At the age of 20, he relocated to Chicago, where he resided for more than 50 years before returning to Mississippi in 2009.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his beloved wife, Mary Louise Hawkins Alexander; his brothers, Mose Alexander and Willie Lee Alexander; and a special niece, Brenda Louise Alexander Turner.

He leaves to cherish his loving memory his son, Bennie Lee Alexander, Jr.; his brother Richard L. Alexander (late wife, Barbara Bass Alexander); sisters, Ella Louise Alexander, Ethel Mae Davenport (Mark), and Marilyn Alexander-Turner; aunt, Edna Marie Strauder (late husband, Alfred Strauder); special brother-in-law and dear friend, Mr. Joe Sims (late wife, Aradia Hawkins Sims); a special niece, Wil'Lani Turner; special friend, Fred Marsalis, Sr., and his wife Dorothy Marsalis; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

The family of the late Bennie Lee Alexander, Sr. "Barlow" gratefully acknowledges your thoughts, prayers, and every kind expression of sympathy as they navigate the loss of a father, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend.

All condolences and expressions of sympathy may be directed to his sister, Marilyn Alexander-Turner.

A private burial and family gathering will be held in honor of his life and memory at a later date.

# Tribute Wall

FH

“ *Condolences to the family  
The Hunt's Family* 🙏💜



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**Florence Hunt** - January 12 at 03:00 PM

SH

“ *Shelia Hickingbottom lit a candle in memory  
of Mr. Bennie Lee Alexander, Sr.*



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**Shelia Hickingbottom** - January 10 at 11:53 PM

DM

“ *Debbie Myles lit a candle in memory of Mr.  
Bennie Lee Alexander, Sr.*



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**Debbie Myles** - January 09 at 06:10 PM

LF

“ *Lorraine Fleming Franklin lit a candle in  
memory of Mr. Bennie Lee Alexander, Sr.*



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**Lorraine Fleming Franklin** - January 09 at 05:13 PM



“ *Maxine Railey sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Bennie Lee Alexander, Sr.*



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**Maxine Railey** - January 09 at 04:11 PM

GB

“ *Glasetta Barksdale lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bennie Lee Alexander, Sr.*



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**Glasetta Barksdale** - January 05 at 01:58 PM

ED

“ *Elizabeth Dunham sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Bennie Lee Alexander, Sr.*



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**Elizabeth Dunham** - January 03 at 07:16 PM

BE

“ *Barbara Evans lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bennie Lee Alexander, Sr.*



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**Barbara Evans** - January 02 at 03:08 PM

YB

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Mr Bennie L Alexander*



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**Yvonne Blanton Bell** - January 02 at 04:21 AM

WH

“ *The West Gate Family extends our Heartfelt Sympathy to the Alexander Family.*

*May He who knows your sorrow bring peace, comfort, and healing to your soul.*

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**West Gate Funeral Home** - January 01 at 01:34 PM

GG

“ *Georgia Green lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bennie Lee Alexander, Sr.*



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**Georgia Green** - January 01 at 01:34 PM

WH

“ *West Gate Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bennie Lee Alexander, Sr.*



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**West Gate Funeral Home** - January 01 at 01:32 PM