



## Francis O'donald Christopher

August 27, 1940 - March 20, 2024

### Francis Christopher

Francis O'Donnell Christopher, a resident of Eden, Maryland, departed his life at the age of eighty-three (83), on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at Manokin Manor in Princes Anne, Maryland. He was born on August 27, 1940 to the late Ernest and Mary Wright Christopher, the youngest of eleven (11) children.

Francis completed his education in Somerset County Public Schools. He loved to work, was very skilled and held various positions in his lifetime to include landscaping and welding, but he found his greatest joy in farming.

Francis fell in love and married the love of his life, Janie Mae Wilson Christopher. This holy union of forty-five (45) years lasted until his departure. He was blessed with two stepchildren: his stepson, Calvin Schoolfield, Sr. (Teresa) and his children Kiesha Handy, Shaneeka Jones (Johnny), Deandre Wright, Marqueta Schoolfield, Calvin Schoolfield, Jr. (Monica), Jerrell Schoolfield, Jamel Schoolfield, Terrell Schoolfield, Joann Ball and Angel Waston (Marcus) and his stepdaughter, Tammie Yarns and her children Tracie Brown, De'Angelo Brown, Angel Ballard and Nicole Ellis.

Francis also helped to raise these children as his own: Latesha Richardson (Major), Lakeshia Whitehead, Terron Whitehead, Donte' Collins, Orlie Robinson and a special nephew, George Robinson(Claynora).

Francis is survived by: his loving wife of forty-five (45) years, Janie Mae Wilson Christopher; one brother-in-law, Woodrow Wilson; his sisters-in-law, Deborah Taylor, Mae Palmer (Michael, Jr.), Vickie Wilson and Peggy Dickerson (Anthony); two special cousins, Bessie Fields and Elizabeth Wright and a son-in-law, Louis Collins and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Francis was preceded in death by: his parents, Ernest and Mary Wright Christopher; his brothers, James Christopher, Filmore Christopher, Roger Christopher and Russell Christopher; his sisters, Maggie Armwood, Pearl Stanford, Florence Boone, Thelma Jones, Agnes Watson and Bertha Jones and stepdaughter, Barbara Schoolfield Collins.

LOVINGLY SUBMITTED ~ THE FAMILY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 6. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Bennie Smith Life Celebration Center  
901 West Isabella Street  
Salisbury, MD 21801

## Funeral Service

APR 6. 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

MM

“ *Malinda Tull & Jeanie Mason lit a candle in memory of Francis O'donald Christopher*



Malinda Tull & Jeanie Mason - April 05, 2024 at 11:25 PM

MF

“ *Mary Jones & Family lit a candle in memory of Francis O'donald Christopher*



Mary Jones & Family - April 02, 2024 at 01:49 PM

SJ

“ *Saroja Jones lit a candle in memory of Francis O'donald Christopher*



saroja jones - April 02, 2024 at 10:47 AM

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“ *Tammie Yarns lit a candle in memory of Francis O'donald Christopher*



Tammie Yarns - April 01, 2024 at 09:47 PM

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“ *Sorry For Your Loss* ”



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**Thomas** - March 27, 2024 at 08:34 AM