



# Oakley M. Potts

October 12, 1935 - December 2, 2019

## His Life Story

Oakley M. Potts was born on October 12, 1935, to the late Willard Williams and Lavinia Potts in Smyrna, Delaware. Oakley “King” Potts passed away peacefully at Bay Health Sussex in Milford Delaware on December 2, 2019, surrounded by his family.

Oakley received his early education at Thomas D. Clayton School and then served in the United States Air Force. When he returned home, he was employed by North American Van Lines and General Foods.

Oakley was a member of Calvary Baptist Church for over thirty years, under the leadership of Rev Dr. Richard Avant. He loved his church and was a member of the choir until his health failed.

Oakley loved the Pittsburgh Steelers. He loved his family and kept up with everybody. He had many friends in the Dover area and at the Delaware Veterans Home where he was called “the Mayor.” One of his favorite sayings was “You can leave now.”

In addition to his parents, Oakley was preceded in death by his step-mother, Elizabeth Williams; four brothers, Harold, Reggie and Larry Potts, and Charles Potts-Williams; and two sisters, Helen Potts and Harriet Banks.

Oakley leaves to cherish his love and fond memories to five sons, Tony Wicks (Valerie) of Houston, DE, Steve Wicks (Katie) of Virginia Beach, VA, Keith Wicks of Georgetown, DE, Kendall Wicks(Anna) of Dover, DE and Curtis Tiller (Rosalie) of Dover, DE; four sisters, Elsie Williams and Louise Henry of Smyrna, DE, Charlotte Bleen and Robeda Williams of Dover, DE; four brothers, Jeff Williams of South Carolina, Steve and Thaddeus Williams of Dover, DE and Morris White of Wilmington, DE; nineteen grandchildren; and a host of family and friends.

The talks of great wisdom and knowledge that Oakley shared with his family and friends will be cherished, and he will live on forever in our hearts.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be sent to Calvary Baptist Church in memory of Oakley M. Potts

# Tribute Wall

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“ Thoroughly enjoyed knowing and taking care of our dear Pottsy. Glad Ted got to send you lots of SNICKERS! Pottsy always looked forward to getting and eating them! He would want me to open 5 or 6 bars at a time so he could eat them all at once. Pottsy was a good man with a kind heart. There will NEVER be another POTTSY! RIP our friend.Love you, Marty and Ted Laroche

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**Ted and Marty Laroche** - December 12, 2019 at 02:36 PM

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“ So sorry for your lost praying are with you and the family hold on god got your back family

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**Arlene Belfield** - December 11, 2019 at 05:03 PM

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“ To the family of Oakley, I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you, Oakley will be missed. I have very fond memories of him.Reta McCray

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**Reta McCray** - December 04, 2019 at 09:18 AM