



## **Mr. William J. "Fox" McKissick Jr.**

February 25, 1974 - May 5, 2026

William Joseph McKissick, Jr., affectionately known as "Fox," was born on February 25, 1974, in Forrest City, Arkansas, to Gloria Dean McKissick and the late William Joseph McKissick, Sr. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, uncle, and friend whose presence brought joy and laughter to those around him. On May 5, 2026, William peacefully transitioned from this life at his home surrounded by the love of his family.

At an early age, William accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior and united with New Light Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Sherman Givens. His faith and love for family remained central throughout his life.

William attended Forrest City Schools and proudly graduated from Forrest City High School with the Class of 1992. During his younger years, he became a member of Nu Alpha Phi Fraternity, Inc., where he established lifelong friendships and bonds of brotherhood.

William was known as a hardworking and dependable man who believed in taking care of his family. Early in life, he worked as a lifeguard and was recognized as a hero after courageously saving the life of a young man while on duty. He later worked for Halstead and Boar's Head Provisions Company before beginning his longtime career with Airtherm, now known as Mestek,

Inc. William devoted 19 years of faithful service to the company, beginning on January 23, 2006, and remained a loyal and dedicated employee until May of 2025.

On November 7, 1995, William was united in holy matrimony to the love of his life, Veronica (Tiswell) McKissick. Together they built a life filled with love, laughter, strength, and devotion. William deeply loved his family and treasured every moment spent with his children, grandchildren, relatives, and friends. William was preceded in death by his son, Jaunte Dent; his father, William Joseph McKissick, Sr.; his grandmother, Ms. Sadie L. Williams; his beloved grandmother, Josphine McKissick; and his loving mother-in-law, Curley Mae Henderson Jones.

He leaves to cherish his loving memories: his devoted wife, Veronica McKissick; six children, Sherriunta Porter, Ocean Walker, Cordarius Carter, Ashea McKissick, Mekiyel Harris, and D'Adrian Jones; his loving mother, Gloria Dean McKissick; four brothers, Frank Ferrell, Eugene Lynch, Jr., Dwaylon Tiswell, and Frederick Tiswell; seven sisters, Carolyn Williams, Jennifer Davis, Janice Morris Howard, Tammie Austin, Shameka Tiswell, Keryn Tiswell, and DeShawn McKissick; nine grandchildren; one great-grandson; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and many sorrowing friends who will forever cherish his life, love, and memory.

# Cemetery Details

## Goodwin Memorial Cemetery

454 SFC 907 Road  
Goodwin , AR 72372

# Upcoming Events

## Visitation

**MAY 15.** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Miles J. Kimble Mortuary & Cremation  
1900 South Washington Street  
Forrest City, AR 72335  
(870) 633-1914  
mjkimble@yahoo.com  
<http://www.mjkmortuaryandcremation.com>

## Service

**MAY 16.** 2:00 PM (CT)

New Light Missionary Baptist Church  
126 W Day Street  
Forrest City , AR 72335

*The family will line up at the home, located at 628 Roosevelt Avenue, at 1:30 p.m. to procession to the church. Everyone is respectfully asked to be on time so that the procession may depart promptly.*

# Tribute Wall

AT

“ Alice Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mr. William J. "Fox" McKissick Jr.



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Alice Taylor - 16 minutes ago

WP

“ My boy Fox! I will never forget those trailer park days. Rest on my guy! 🙏 -Scooter

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William Peacock - 1 hour ago

BH

“ Condolences to the family from the family of your Great Uncle and Aunt Peter & Mamie McKisick, Sr. per their daughter Barbara McKisick-Haynes.

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Barbara Haynes - 2 hours ago