



Author Reed

June 19, 1950 - December 17, 2025

Author Reed was born on June 19, 1950, in Miami, Florida, to the late Ulysses and Dearest Reed. He was one of seven children, raised alongside his siblings Junior, Barbara, Dorothy, Shirley, Geraldine, and Bernard.

The family relocated to New York where Author completed his early education in the Bronx. Following the tragic passing of his youngest sibling, Bernard, most of the family returned to Miami. Author remained in New York to pursue training in electrical studies before eventually returning to Miami, where he met his late wife, Betty Holloway.

In December 1976, Author enlisted in the United States Army and relocated to California. He and Betty were married there and soon began building their family. On January 5, 1980, they welcomed their first child, Christopher. Eleven months later, Author honorably completed his military service and returned to Miami, Florida. On September 23, 1983, Author and Betty welcomed their second child, Dana, and established Miami Gardens, Florida, as their permanent family home.

Known by many names—each carrying its own story and meaning—Author was a proud electrician who dedicated more than 30 years of service to Florida Power & Light (FPL). A devoted family man, he enjoyed sports, music, dancing, and fishing. He was a “man’s man,” known for his stern demeanor

balanced by a quick wit and a playful sense of humor. He had a remarkable ability to fix just about anything, always done the “TC way.”

On December 17, 2025, after a four-month battle with pneumonia, Author peacefully took his final breath and transitioned to be with his loved ones. He was the final living link of the Johnson–Reed legacy.

Author leaves to cherish his memory his two children, Christopher (Stacey) and Dana; four grandchildren, Kimber, Kindred, Kayden, and Kannon; one niece, Samantha; one uncle, Joe (Win); a close cousin, Jerome (Joan); nephews Robert (Nerissa), Shon, Lamont (Tiesha), Deon, and Marcel; along with a host of cousins, extended family, and lifelong friends.

Cemetery Details

South Florida National Cemetery

6501 South State Road 7
Lake Worth, FL 33449
(561) 649-6489
<http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/southflorida.asp>

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN 5. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Abundant Life Deliverance Ministries Center
100 S. Douglas Road
Pembroke Pines, FL 33025

Service

JAN 6. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Interment

JAN 6. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Wilcox Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Author Reed*



Wilcox Family Funeral Home - January 07 at 11:05 AM

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“ *The Slater purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Author Reed.*



The Slater - January 01 at 10:19 AM