

WITH SPECIAL THANKS FROM THE GARY FAMILY

Never are we more aware of how much family and friends mean than at the time of bereavement. Your thoughtfulness did so much to ease our sorrow. We appreciate each of you as well as your kindness and prayers. Please continue to keep the family lifted in prayer as we navigate our new journey. May God bless each of you as you have blessed us.

OUR FATHER'S GARDEN

Our Father kept a garden.
A garden of the heart;
He planted all the good things,
That gave our lives a start.
He turned us to the sunshine,
And encouraged us to dream:
Fostering and nurturing
The seeds of self-esteem.
And when the winds and rain came,
He protected us enough;
But not too much because he knew
We would stand up strong and tough.
His constant good example,
Always taught us right from wrong;
Markers of our pathway that will last
a lifetime long.
We are our Fathers garden.
We are his legacy.
Thank you Dad, we love you.

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the Life of*



ASSIGNED TO EARTH
December 16, 1952

RECALLED TO GLORY
February 28, 2023

Mr. James Otis Gary

CHILDS FUNERAL HOME CHAPEL

301 West Carolina Avenue Clinton, SC

Friday, March 3, 2023

12:00PM

ORDER OF CELEBRATION

Reverend Anthony Sims, Presiding
Pastor, Friendship Baptist Church, Ninety Six, SC

Musical Prelude	
Processional	Clergy and Family
Final Viewing	Family and Friends
Musical Selection	Pastor Patricia White
Old Testament	Minister
New Testament	Minister
Prayer of Comfort	Minister
Reflections	Family and Friends
Musical Selection	Pastor Patricia White
Words of Comfort	Reverend Melvin Aiken
Benediction	
Recessional	

INTERMENT

Rosemont Cemetery
807 Willard Road
Clinton, SC 29325

COMMITAL RITES, PARTING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

IN MEMORY OF A SPECIAL

Brother

Today is full of *memories*
of a *Brother* laid to rest
and every single one of them
is filled with happiness

For you were someone *special*
always such a joy to know
and there was so much pain
when it was *time* to let you go

That's why this special message
is sent to *heaven* above
for the angels to take care of you
and give you *all my love*

HONORING THE LIFE OF MR. JAMES OTIS GARY

Mr. James Otis Gary was welcomed into the family on December 16, 1952 by his parents, Mr. Jack Gary and Mrs. Bertha Godfrey Gary. Today, we honor his life and journey. James was a loving father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend; and he was very loved by his family and friends.

As a young boy, James was educated in the public schools of Laurens County District 56 including Bell Street High School. He and his siblings received their spiritual education at Elzee AME Church in Clinton, SC. He was employed by Joanna Mills and later Avery Dennison for twenty years until his retirement.

Death is like a robe everyone has to wear (African Proverb) and James Otis Gary received his heavenly robe on Tuesday, February 28, 2023. He was seventy years old. He was predeceased by his parents, Bertha and Jack Gary; his sons, James Tyrone McGowan and Steve Lamar Gary; and a brother, Robert Gary.

In the sadness of our grief, James Otis Gary will forever remain in the hearts of: his children, Mark Gary of Mauldin, SC and Brittany Gary of Newberry, SC; his grandchildren: Latoya Gary, Brandon McGowan, Kelson Scott, Xavion and Xolani Adams; great grandchildren: Nasser, Sire, Aiden, My'Ana and Brayden; his brother, Tony (Kenya) Gary of Laurens, SC; along with many loving nieces, nephews, extended family members and friends. Those we love can never be more than a thought away...for as long as there's a memory, they live in our hearts to stay.

PALL BEARERS

Brandon McGowan	Mark Gary
Patrick Godfrey	Alex Gary
Kyle Gary	Luther Smith

FLOWER BEARERS

Friends and Family