



FLOWER BEARERS
Family and Friends

CASKET BEARERS
Sons and Relatives

Safely Home

I am home in Heaven, dear one

Oh, so happy and so bright!

There is perfect joy and beauty in this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over,

Every restless tossing passed: I am now at peace forever,

Safely home in Heaven at last.

Did you wonder how I so calmly

Trod the valley of shade?

Oh! But Jesus' love illumined every dark and fearful glade.

And He came Himself to meet me in that way so hard to tread.

And with Jesus' arm to lean on, could have no doubt or dread.

Then you must not grieve so sorely,

For I love you dearly still: Try to look beyond earth's shadows,

Pray to trust our Father's will.

There is work still waiting for you.

So you must not idly stand: Do it now, while life remaineth—

You shall rest in Jesus' land when that work is all completed.

He will gently call you home:

Oh, the rapture of that meeting!

Oh, the joy to see you come!

Even the strongest of us have moments when the burdens of life seem too great. It's then that the Lord whispers to our hearts...

COME TO ME,

all you who are weary and burdened,
and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28 NIV



IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Mr. Sherman Rhades



BORN INTO TIME

April 09, 1946

RECEIVED INTO ETERNITY

April 29, 2019

SINCERE APPRECIATION
Although our hearts are still mourning, our spirits have been lifted by your love, prayers, acts of kindness and presence here today. May God bless and keep each of you in perfect peace.
The Family

Friday, May 3, 2019
3:00 PM

Funeral Arrangements Entrusted To
Childs Funeral Home, Inc.

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Reverend Carroll Wells, Jr., Pastor
Reverend Sandra Smith, Presider

CELEBRATING OUR BELOVED

Mr. Sherman Rhodes

1946



2019

I'M FREE

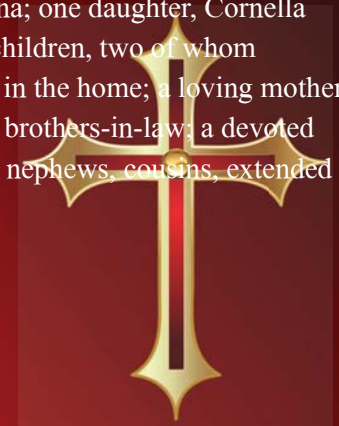
Don't grieve for me for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard him call,
I turned my back and left it all
I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work or play
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of day
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too will miss
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow
My life's been full, I've savored much,
Good friends, good times, my loved one's touch
If my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief
Lift up your heart, rejoice with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free.

Obituary

God set forth a plan and a purpose for the life of Mr. Sherman Rhodes. He was born into time on April 9, 1946 to Sherman Rhodes and Ruby Dosey and was received into eternity on Monday, April 29, 2019 after his service was complete.

Mr. Rhodes was a 1964 graduate of Bell Street High School. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend. Sherman was a man of good character and integrity. For a life well lived the Lord allowed him seventy-three years, a blessed marriage, loving children and grandchildren and other devoted relatives and friends.

Heaven received Sherman with shouts of triumphant an he was welcomed by his personal Saviour and those who predeceased him: his parents, Sherman Rhodes, Sr. and Ruby Dosey. Mr. Rhodes' love and legacy live on through his devoted wife, Cordelia Rhodes of the home; six sons: Sherman (Rose Mary) Rhodes, Jr., Ashley Rhodes, Jirard Johnson and Chris Rhodes all of Laurens, South Carolina, Jeffrey Rhodes of Fountain Inn, South Carolina and Jamil (Deonka) Johnson of Spartanburg, South Carolina; one daughter, Cornella Rhodes of Laurens, South Carolina; nine grandchildren, two of whom (Mardriquez and Makayla Johnson) were raised in the home; a loving mother-in-law, Hattie Johnson; two sisters-in-law; three brothers-in-law; a devoted cousin, Can Stegall; and a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family members and friends.





IN OUR MINDS

We stand motionless,
consumed in grief.
Sorrow has arrived,
with smiles thief.

We're gathered here,
to mourn and cry.
Our questions pointing,
at the clear blue sky.

Why did you go,
why did you leave,
Life without you,
is so hard to conceive.

Our hearts are damaged,
and scarred severely.
We shall miss you,
much more than dearly.

For having you in our lives,
we've all been blessed.
But now the time has arrived,
for you to rest.

We promise to cherish,
our memories of you.
You shall live in our minds,
and all that we do.





WHEN GOD WAS MAKING HUSBANDS

When God was making husbands as far as I can see,
 he made a special soulmate especially for me.
 He made a perfect gentleman, compassionate and kind,
 with more love and affection than you could ever wish to find.

He gave my darling husband a heart of solid gold,
 he gave me wonderful memories only my heart can hold.
 He was someone I could talk to that no one can replace,
 he was someone I could laugh with till tears ran down my face.

Next time we meet it will be at heavens door,
 when I see you standing there, I won't cry anymore.
 I'll put my arms around you and kiss your smiling face.
 Then the pieces of my broken heart will fall back into place.

My beloved, you will be missed!

SERVICE OF CELEBRATION

Reverend Sandra Smith, Presiding Minister

MUSICAL PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL
Clergy and Family

FINAL VIEWING
Family and Friends

PRAYER OF COMFORT
Minister

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING
Deacon Jerry Young

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HYMN
Choir

SOLO
Shuntay Trott

REFLECTIONS
Mrs. Mildred Pulley
Reverend Reggie Hill

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OBITUARY (Soft Music)
Please Read Silently

SOLO
Minister Ella Young

WORDS OF COMFORT
Reverend Carroll Wells, Jr.

PRAYER OF STRENGTH
Reverend Steven Evans

RECESSIONAL

GRAVESIDE SERVICE
Orchard Park Memorial Gardens
Committal Rites, Parting Prayer and Benediction

INTERMENT
Orchard Park Memorial Gardens

