



*"Forever"*

*I'll be committed to you  
I'll never leave you  
Nothing in this world could make me walk away  
No matter what life may bring  
I'll be by your side  
No matter what you face  
You won't be lonely*

*Because  
Forever is a long time  
That's how long I'll love you  
That's how long I'll love you  
Forever*

*No matter what life may bring  
I'll be by your side  
No matter what you face  
You won't be lonely  
And this is my promise to you  
My love is everlasting  
You can count on me  
To be there always  
Forever is*

*Forever is a long time  
That's how long I'll love you  
That's how long I'll love you  
Forever*

*Your loving wife, Grace*

*Floral Bearers*

Nieces

*Pallbearers*

Sweet Home Masonic Lodge #79

Nephews

*Appreciations*

*The family of Robert Truesdale, Jr., wishes to express our sincere gratitude and love for all expressions of sympathy and kindness shown to us during the sickness and passing of our loved one. It is because of God and you, our dear friends, that we bravely face the lonely days that lay ahead. We would like to extend a special thanks to the staff of Agape Hospice Primary Team; nurses, Laine Walden, Donna Forster, Patricia Helms, and Shannon Blanks; Chaplain, Reverend Vivian Boyd; CNA's, Haley, Ivory Melton and Laura Davidson; social worker, Connie Barr; MUSC-Kershaw Health Patient Billing; caregiver, Quatessa Fletcher; New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Catawba Chapel AME Zion Church, Ebenezer AME Zion Church, Jonny Witherspoon & the Wing Spot, the Bowman sisters, family, and friends.*

*May God Bless you and grant you peace.*

*The Family*



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A SERVICE OF LOVE  
CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF

*Mr. Robert*  
**TRUESDALE, JR.**

*Given to Us*  
January 1, 1948



*Given to God*  
April 26, 2022

*II Timothy 4:7-8*

*"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."*

**SERVICES**

Monday, May 2, 2022  
Four O'clock in the Afternoon

Ebenezer AME Zion Church  
3402 Ebenezer Church Road  
Camden, South Carolina, 29020

*Reverend Albert Young, Officiating*

*"We are born to die and arise far beyond this world in beauty, where Heaven lies. The purpose of death is but to gain, Life Everlasting in God's Great Domain. While one must make this journey alone, God has promised to take care of his own."*

## REFLECTIONS OF THE LIFE OF *Mr. Robert Truesdale, Jr.*

Our Heavenly Father, in His infinite wisdom, sent His Holy Angel to bring His child home to Him from his labor to rest. His child, a loving husband, father, grandfather, and brother went to be with His Heavenly Father, Tuesday, April 26, 2022, at his home. Robert Jr., was affectionately known as "Boo" to his family and friends and "Chicken Man" to his acquaintances he befriended serving food to the community. He was born to the late Amelia T. Perry on January 1, 1948, in Kershaw, SC.

Robert Jr., accepted Christ at an early age and joined Ebenezer A.M.E. Zion Church. He was a faithful and dedicated member. He served in many capacities including the Trustee Board and Steward Board, and he was a member of the Gospel Stars and Men's Choir. He truly loved his church and his church family. Robert was active in the community. He was a member of Sweet Home Lodge #79 and Sweet Home Chapter OES #272. He diligently worked in these affiliations until his health declined. His work in the church, the community, and his melodic voice, which has blessed many people, will truly be missed.

Robert was educated in the Kershaw County school system. He set his goal to receive his diploma. He achieved that accomplishment and was a 1989 graduate of Andrew Jackson High School.

Robert began his working career at Grace Bleachery and later Springs Mill. Through challenging work and determination, he became self-employed exploring entrepreneurship by establishing a logging business, "Big T Logging," where he was the owner and operator. He pursued other business ventures including managing the T & P Supper Club, Hill Top Grill, and ended his career with the "The Chicken Shack."

Robert was united in holy matrimony to Grace Evelyn Clyburn. God blessed them to have share fifty-four years together. They reared and shared in nurturing three children. Robert embraced life to its fullest measure. He enjoyed being outdoors cutting grass and he always found something in the garage to do. He never met a stranger. He could always initiate a conversation and talked to everyone. He could recognize good gospel music and loved to sing.

Robert was preceded in death by three brothers, Luther, Hayward, and Johnnie Truesdale.

Those left to continue his legacy and cherish his memories and all his love: his wife, Grace of Kershaw, SC; two daughters, Denise (Tony) Witherspoon of Lancaster, SC, and Melissa Truesdale of Camden, SC; one son, Eric (Quasha) Truesdale of Rock Hill, SC; one grandson reared in the home, Quintin Truesdale of Kershaw, SC; four sisters, Freedonia Stockham of Bridgeport, CT, Celia Moore and Hattie Pitts, both of Greensboro, NC, and Janie Gainey of Newport News, VA; two brothers, Chalmers (Elsie) Truesdale of Long Island, NY, and David Green of Greensboro, NC; two goddaughters, Risa Montgomery and Martha Tyson; nine grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; six sisters-in-law; nine brothers-in-law; and a host of cousins and friends.

*Miss Me, but Let Me Go*  
When I come to the end of the road,  
And the sun has set for me,  
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room.  
Why cry for a soul set free?  
Miss me a little, but not too long,  
And not with your head bowed low.  
Remember the love that we once shared;  
Miss me, but let me go.  
For this is a journey  
From Your Loving Sister, Freedonia Stockham

that we must all take,  
And each must go alone.  
It's all a part of the Master's plan—  
A step on the road to home.  
When you are lonely and sick at heart,  
Go to the friends we know,  
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds.  
Miss me, but let me go.



*The Broken Chain*  
We little knew that day,  
God was going to call your name.  
In life, we loved you dearly;  
In death, we do the same.  
It broke our hearts to lose you.  
You did not go alone,  
For part of us went with you,  
The day God called you home.  
You left us beautiful memories;  
Your love is still our guide.  
And although we cannot see you,  
You are always at our side.  
Our family chain is broken,  
And nothing seems the same,  
But as God calls us one by one,  
The chain will link again.  
From Your Loving Children

## Order of Service

Reverend Albert Young, Officiating

The Prelude  
The Processional ..... Clergy and Family  
Invocation  
Choral Selection  
Reading of the Holy Scriptures:  
Old Testament ..... Reverend Lester Champion, *Isaiah 25:7-9*  
New Testament ..... Reverend George Rhodes, *I Thes 4:13-18*  
Prayer of Comfort ..... Reverend Willie J. Duncan  
Selection ..... Reverend Eddie Moore  
Acknowledgements ..... Mr. Lawrence Jackson  
Selection ..... The Gospel Stars  
Eulogy ..... Reverend Albert Young  
Selection ..... Ebenezer AME Zion Church Men's Choir  
Mortician in Charge ..... Stewart Funeral Home  
The Recessional  
The Postlude

*~Services of Commendation~*

Committal Rites, Closing Prayer, & Benediction

**-INTERMENT-**

Ebenezer AME Zion Church Cemetery  
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