

The Fallen Limb

A limb has fallen from the family tree.

I keep hearing a voice that says,

“Grieve not for me.

*Remember the best times,
the laughter, the song.*

*The good life I lived
while I was strong.*

*Continue my heritage,
I’m counting on you.*

*Keep smiling and surely
the sun will shine through.*

*My mind is at ease,
my soul is at rest.*

*Remembering all,
how I truly was blessed.*

*Continue traditions,
no matter how small.*

*Go on with your life,
don’t worry about falls.*

*I miss you all dearly,
so keep up your chin.*

*Until the day comes
we’re together again.”*

– Author Unknown

Interment

12:00pm Monday, February 27, 2023

**Ft. Jackson National Cemetery
Columbia, SC**

Pallbearers

Masonic Brothers & United States Army

Floral Bearers

Family & Friends



Acknowledgement

We, the family of the late Lt. Col. (Ret) Joshua Davis, would like to thank each of you for your many acts of kindness that you have shown during our bereavement. It is the thoughtfulness of friends like you that gives us the strength to face the days ahead. May God bless each of you in a very special way.

-The Family

Arrangements Entrusted to:

**Simmons Funeral Home & Crematory of Orangeburg
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Celebrating The Life Of



Lt. Col. (Ret)
JOSHUA DAVIS

SUNRISE: SEPTEMBER 9, 1941 SUNSET: FEBRUARY 18, 2023

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2023
11:00 A.M.**

*Olive Grove Baptist Church
305 Old Elloree Road
Orangeburg, SC 29115*

PASTOR JAMES CROMARTIE, OFFICIATING

A Celebration of Life

Order of Service

Prelude.....Soft Music

Processional.....Clergy & Family

Opening Hymn.....Olive Grove MBC Choir

Prayer of Comfort

Scripture Reading

Old Testament.....Psalm 23

New Testament.....2 Timothy 4:7-8

Selection.....Olive Grove MBC Choir

Reflections (2 Minutes, Please)

Acknowledgements

Selection.....Olive Grove MBC Choir

Eulogy.....Pastor James Cormartie

Prayer, Committal & Benediction

Recessional



Reflections of Life

On Saturday, February 18, 2023 God saw the need to call Lt. Col. Joshua Davis home to rest. Joshua entered this world on September 9, 1941 to the proud parents of Mr. Nolton Davis and Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor-Davis. He was reared with the support of a loving family.

Joshua attended the public schools of Calhoun County and graduated from John Ford H.S. and later obtained his Bachelor's degree from South Carolina State University. He was a proud alumni of the University and regularly supported University events.

Joshua retired from the United States Army as a Lt. Col. with all the honors afforded to him. He retired after 20 years and re-entered to serve an additional 10 years. He was very proud of his 30 years of service in the military; but his service did not end there. He also served as the Director of the Orangeburg County Detention Center. His major accomplishment was serving as the Commander of Post 8166 in Orangeburg. He also served as Worship Master of Olive Grove Lodge #477, PHA Mason, Inspector General (GIG) of Robert Shaw Wilkinson Consistory 220, and Illustrious Potentate of Jeddah Temple 160.

Joshua was preceded in death by his parents; eight siblings: Earline LaCoq, Willer Dean Floyd, Lillie Mae Green, Nathaniel Davis, Caroline Davis, Margaret Davis, James Emmanuel Davis; his first wife of 16 years, Mildred Fields-Davis; and fourth wife of 11 years, Celia Waring-Davis.

He leaves behind his brother Nolton Davis Jr., second wife Colleen Hilton, third wife Dr. Helen Frasier, daughter: Dr. Deborah Davis-Cummings (Vernon Jerome) and son: Joshua Davis Jr. and daughter Elizabeth Hoo (Vincent) and son Anthony Hilton (Venessa), grand-children; Afiyaa, Imani (Nickolas), Ayanna, Aliah (Shaquiel), Tenayaa, Little Imani, Sydney and Keymari and great-granddaughters Naomi and Zuri, Step Daughters Selena Waring-White (Roderick), and La'Nata Waring and a host of nieces, nephews, and loving friends.

The family is grateful to the loving kindness of so many who equally were loved by our dear Father. A blessing deserves a blessing.