### -Mhen Tomorrow Starts -

When tomorrow starts without me
And I'm not here to see.

If the sun should rise and find your eyes
All filled with tears for me.

I wish you wouldn't cry
The Way you did today.
While thinking of the many things
We did not get to say.

I know how much you love me As much as I love you. Each time that you think of me I know you will miss me too.

When tomorrow starts with out me Please try to understand. That an angel came and called my name And took me by the hand.

The angel said my place was ready In heaven far above. And That I would have to leave behind All those I Dearly Love.

But When I walked through Heaven's Gates
I felt so much at home.
When GOD looked down and smiled at me
From his golden throne.

He said This Is Eternity
And All I promised you.
Today for life on earth is done
But Here it starts a new.

I promise no tomorrow
For today will always last.
And Since each day's the exact same way
There is no longing for the past.

So When Tomorrow starts without me Do not think we're apart. For every time you think of me Remember I'm right here in your heart.



- Alower Bearers Friends of Family

## - Acknowledgment -

The family of the late Mr. Sim Spratling, Jr., acknowledges with grateful appreciation all acts of kindness, prayers, cards, telephone calls, flowers and words of comfort extended to us during our time of bereavement. May God bless you all.

#### - In . Memoriam -

May we take this opportunity to express sincere and deep appreciation for allowing us to serve you during this most difficult period. It is our constant aim to afford to the people of this community a service completed in all details and faultlessly executed with sympathy and understanding.



### CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF "SONNY"



SPRATLING, JR.

Saturday, March 27, 2021 • 11:00 a.m.

Evergreen Cemetery
1409 Monroe Aavenue
Opelika, AL 36801

REVEREND LEONZA HARRIS, OFFICIATING

# - The Obituary -

Mr. Sim Spratling, Jr., son of the late Mr. Sim, Sr. and Mrs. Annie Pearl Spratling, was born March 23, 1946 in Opelika, Alabama.

At an early age, he confessed Christ and united with Saint James Missionary Baptist Church in Opelika, Alabama. "Sonny" as he was affectionately known, graduated from J.W. Darden High School Class of 1964. He received an Honorable Discharge for his service in the United States Army. After the military, he graduated from Opelika Technical College. Sonny enjoyed fishing and was an avid sports fan! War Eagle!!

On Sunday, March 21, 2021, he departed this life at the East Alabama Medical Center in Opelika, Alabama. He was preceded in death by a son, Salyscees Drapose "Jerry Boy" Spratling and a grandson, Morgan Delvanti Lyles.

His memories will forever be cherished by: six children, Schaffner D. (Rose Marie) Lyles of Orange Park, FL, Selwyn D., Sr. (Tara) Spratling of Virginia Beach, VA, Starone D. (DaNavian) Spratling of Opelika, AL and Salazec D. Spratling (Heath Yawn) of Marietta, GA, LaKeith Allen and Latrice Allen, both of Opelika, AL; eight grandchildren, Jenna Lyles, Dallas Lyles, Selwyn Spratling, Jr., Deslynn Spratling, Isaiah Spratling, Jamal Spratling, Kelci Barrow and Malia Yawn Spratling; one brother, Larry Spratling of Opelika, AL; nephew, Laman (Ursula) Spratling; niece, Akilah Spratling; devoted friend and companion, Gloria W. Harris of Opelika, AL; three beloved cousins Bernice, Patricia, and Eloise and a host of other relatives and friends.



# - The Order of Service -

SCRIPTURE READINGS
Reverend Willie J. Lyles

PRAYER OF COMFORT Reverend Willie J. Lyles

**MUSICAL SELECTION** 

**EULOGY** Reverend Leonza Harris

COMMITTAL

BENEDICTION

### - In Loving Memory Of You -

You held our hands when we were small,
You caught us when we fell,
The hero of our childhood
And of latter years as well.
Every time we think of you,
Our hearts just fills with pride,
And though we'll always miss you,
We know you're by our side.
In laughter and in sorrow,
In sunshine and in rain,
We know you're watching over us,

Until we meet again. Your Children and Grandchildren