

HONORING THE LIFE OF

For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near. 7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. 8 Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

2 Timothy 4:6-8

PALLBEARERS

Lloyd Byrd
Jarnac Williams
Royce Frazier
Shawn Collier
Gregory LeCounte
Xavier Crist

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The family wishes to express their sincere love, thanks, and appreciation to everyone for their heartfelt sympathy and acts of kindness as we mourn. Your thoughts, deeds, and prayers will not be forgotten.

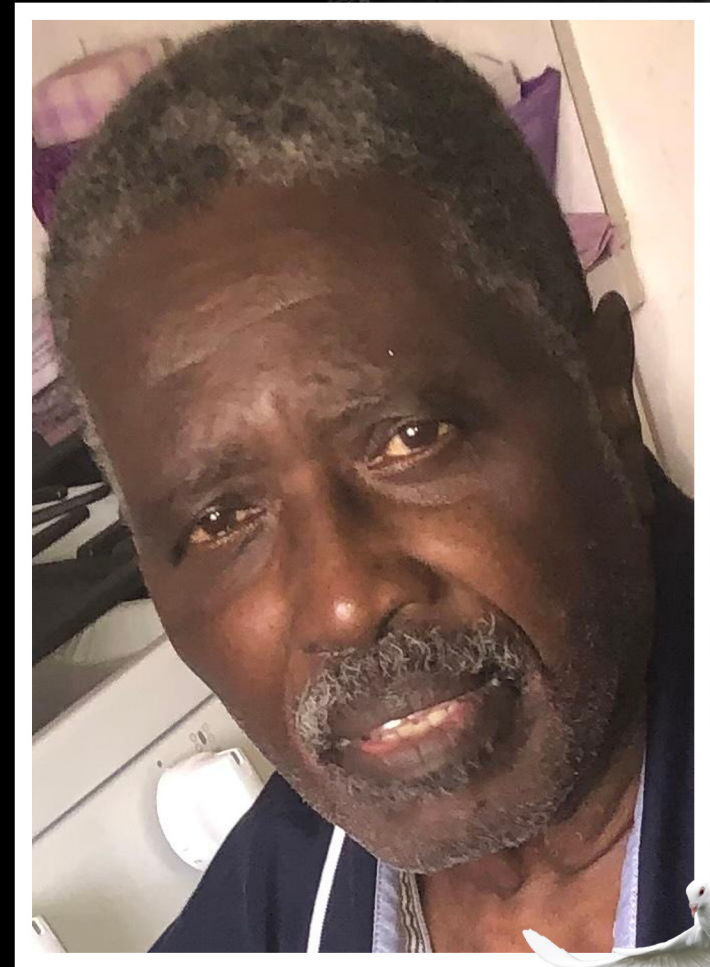
*Sincerely,
The LeCounte Family*

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MELVIN LeCOUNTE

SUNRISE: JANUARY 12, 1947 - SUNSET: MARCH 9, 2022

Saturday, March 19, 2022 | 3:00PM
First Zion Missionary Baptist Church
E.B. Cooper Highway, Riceboro, GA 31323
Rev. Frederick McIver, Senior Pastor

THE STORY OF A LIFETIME

Mr. Melvin LeCounte was born January 12, 1947, in Riceboro, Georgia to the late Isadore and Virgie LeCounte. He was the seventh of nine siblings, two of whom preceeded him in death, Quincy and Coleman LeCounte.

Melvin was baptized at an early age at First Zion Baptist Church. He was educated in Liberty County and graduated from Liberty County High School, where he was a member of the 1965 Basketball State Championship team. Immediately after graduating high school, Melvin moved to Miami, Florida, joining his brothers, Coleman and George.

Melvin's greatest love was his family. He and his siblings were raised in a loving, tight-knit family, and they remained close throughout their adult lives, even though they were separated by distance. Each year, they all looked forward to coming home to Riceboro to celebrate Christmas together. Whenever Melvin was home, he could be found outside on the grill or in the house looking for things to fix. Melvin loved working with his hands. For over twenty years, he had a career in Miami as a certified air condition and refrigeration technician.

A few years after moving to Miami, Melvin met and married Paulette Jones. Together, they raised three daughters. Melvin was a deeply devoted husband and father. He worked two jobs to make sure his family was well-provided for. He also made sure his daughters were always safe and protected. Although he was a 'gentle giant,' his large frame was enough to intimidate all of his daughters' potential suitors without saying a word. And when his daughters were ready and the men were worthy, he proudly walked each of them down the aisle. Without a doubt, he was the best father a girl could ask for!

Melvin continued his loving and supportive ways when he became a grandfather. He would smile from ear to ear when he spent time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and there was nothing he wouldn't do for them. Each of them knew that if their mother said no, they could always go to Grandpa to get what they wanted.

On March 9, 2022, God called Melvin to rest after suffering from health issues for some time. He leaves to cherish his memory his wife Paulette, three daughters: Tangela (Wayne) Butler, Tonya (Tony) Clark-Ivy, and Bridgette (Jarnac) Williams; four grandchildren: Lazette (Shawn) Collier, Charisma (Xavier) Crist, Christian Ivy, and Jurnei Williams; and three great-grandchildren, Maliek Collier, Mekhi Collier, and Cali Crist. He also leaves six siblings: Eula (Anthony, deceased) Frazier, Catherine (William) Taylor, Thernell (Euvenia, deceased) LeCounte, George (Judy, deceased) LeCounte, Eunice (Clifford) McCarthy, and Eugene (Tina) LeCounte; his long-time dear friend Lewis "Butch" Wynn, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Presiding: Dea. Kenneth Stevens



Processional

Earth's Final Glance

Scripture Readings
Old Testament
Dea. Kenneth Stevens

New Testament
Elder Clifford Bartley

Prayer
Dea. Freddie Stevens, Jr.

Remarks
As a Brother-In-Law
Mrs. Florene Bartley

Acknowledgments
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Obituary
(Read Silently)

Musical Selection

Eulogy
Rev. Norman Stevens
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Manchester, GA

Recessional

