

Casket Bearers

Family and Friends

Floral Bearers

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One Who Passed Away

We think of you in silence
And make no outward show,
But what it meant to lose you,
No one will ever know.
You wished no one a last farewell
Nor even said goodbye
You were gone before we knew it
And only God knows why.
A golden heart stopped beating,
Your tender hands are at rest,
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.
If stairs were made of heartaches
By adding a teardrop or two
We'd build a stairway to heaven
And climb each day to you.

Expression of Appreciation

We, the family of the late Jimmie Lee Ruff, would like to graciously thank everyone for their personal and collective prayers, food, visits, calls, flowers and other acts of kindness. Your many expressions of sympathy and love will always be remembered. God bless you all.

— The Family

The Twenty-Third Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul;
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
For his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley
Of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;
Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me
In the presence of mine enemies:
Thou anointest my head with oil;
My cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
All the days of my life:
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.



Services Entrusted To:

F.B. PRATT & SON FUNERAL HOME
601 South Street • Newberry, South Carolina
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*Homegoing Services
Celebrating the Life
of*

Mr. Jimmie Lee Ruff

Sunrise Sunset
September 8, 1945 January 23, 2018



Saturday, January 27, 2018
2:00 P.M.

Pleasant Grove A.M.E. Church
Newberry, South Carolina

Reverend Theodore Green, Pastor
Reverend Anthony Washington, Officiating

Obituary

Mr. Jimmie Lee Ruff was born on September 8, 1945, in Newberry, South Carolina, to the late Essie Wilson Ruff and the late Wilson Ruff. Sr. Jimmie was called to God's Glorious Kingdom on Tuesday, January 23, 2018, at his home.

He retired from the South Carolina Department of Transportation. Jimmie was known for always speaking his mind, the truth, no matter if you liked it or not. He never met a stranger. Jimmie was always there to help others when in need.

Mr. Ruff was predeceased by his siblings, Dorothy Swittenburg, Wilson Ruff, Jr., Robert Ruff, Johnny Ruff and Raymond Ruff.

Cherishing his memories are his companion of forty-five years, Nancy Chaplin; children, Kasandra Chaplin and Nathaniel Chaplin of Newberry, SC, and James Caldwell of Washington DC; grandsons, Calvin Herbert and Natron Asheed Chaplin, great-granddaughter, Mahala Herbert all of Newberry, SC; sister-in-law, Estelle Graham Ruff of Newberry, SC; devoted friends, Clyde Brown and Anthony Byrd; a host of nieces, nephews, other family members and friends.



Memorial Poem

Tho' the clouds may hover over us,
There's bright and golden rays.
It's the promise that in heaven,
God shall wipe all tears away.

When we reach that blessed homeland,
Where it is everlasting day,
Oh that bright eternal morning,
God shall wipe all tears away.

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional Clergy and Family

Final Viewing Family and Friends

Hymn *"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"*

Prayer

Scripture

Old Testament

New Testament

Remarks Melvin Chaplin

Solo Calvin Davis

Words of Comfort Rev. Anthony Washington

Recessional

Committal and Benediction Graveside

Interment Pleasant Grove A.M.E. Church
Newberry, South Carolina