

Everyone's Friend

Gone is the face we loved so dear,
Silent the voice we loved to hear;
Too far away for sight or speech,
But not too far for thought to reach.
Sweet to remember her who once was here,
And who though absent is just as dear.
Always so true, unselfish and kind;
Few in their word her equal you'll find.
A beautiful life has come to an end.
She died as she lived – everyone's friend.



Acknowledgment

At a time like this when sorrow invades the heart and home, it means so much to have loving family and friends. Your kindness is deeply appreciated and will always be remembered.

— The Family

Services Entrusted To:

F.B. PRATT & SON FUNERAL HOME
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*Homegoing Services
Celebrating the Life
of
Deacon Varnel Brooks
"Kojack"*



Tuesday, March 19, 2019
2:00 P.M.

Pratt Funeral Home Chapel
Newberry, South Carolina

Pastor H. David Griffin, Jr., Officiating

Obituary

Deacon Varnel “Kojack” Brooks was born March 22, 1951, in Newberry, South Carolina, to the late Jessie Brooks and Mrs. Rachel Catherine Williams Brooks. He departed this earthly life and entered into the arms of Jesus on Friday, March 8, 2019, at St. Francis Downtown Hospital in Greenville, South Carolina.

He began his Christian journey as a member of Hannah A.M.E. where he served on the Senior Choir and Male Chorus. After departing Hannah, he became a member of Fellowship Baptist Church in Pomaria, South Carolina. After moving to Greer, South Carolina, he became a faithful member of It’s A New Life With Christ Church where he was ordained as a Deacon and was a member of the church choir.

While residing in Newberry, Varnel was an active member of the community and well known. He co-founded the Men of Faith with the sole purpose of giving back.

Varnel was predeceased by his parents; his older brother Ronnie Brooks (Belinda); and step daughter, Shanikka Nicole Jones all of Newberry.

Left to cherish his memories are his daughter, Dana Catherine Brooks of the home, Piedmont, SC; sons, Vernon Christopher Brooks (Sharon) and Jeffrey Todd Brooks (Knassia) both of Newberry, SC, and Malcome Jones of Prosperity, SC; brothers, Eugene Brooks (Evelyn) of Newberry, SC, Earl Brooks (Kwan) of Carlisle, SC, and Bernard Brooks of Columbia, SC; six grandchildren; three sisters-in-law; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Order of Service

- Prelude Soft Music
- Processional Clergy and Family
- Final Viewing Family and Friends
- Selection
- Prayer
- Scripture
 - Old Testament
 - New Testament
- Selection Men of Faith
- Remarks Mr. Allen Gallman
- Solo Mrs. LaVelma Toland
- Words of Comfort Pastor H. David Griffin, Jr.
- Recessional

*“Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was;
and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.”
— Ecclesiastes 12:7*