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Expressions of Appreciation

We, the family of the late Eugene Coleman, Jr., thank all of our friends for your many expressions of sympathy and love. The prayers, food, visits, phone calls, flowers, cards and all acts of kindness shown during our time of sorrow will always be remembered. May God continue to shower His blessings and love on each of you.

—The Family

Services Entrusted To:

F.B. PRATT & SON FUNERAL HOME
601 South Street • Newberry, South Carolina
(803) 276-1206

Homegoing Services
Celebrating the Life
of
Mr. Eugene Coleman, Jr.



Tuesday, September 10, 2019
2:00 P.M.

James Hopewell Baptist Church
Newberry, South Carolina

Reverend Sammie Robinson, Officiating

Obituary

Mr. Eugene Coleman, Jr., was born April 23, 1948, to the late Eugene Coleman, Sr., and the late Essie Butler Coleman. He entered into Eternal Rest on Friday, September 6, 2019, at his home.

Eugene was an active member of James Hopewell Baptist Church where he served as a deacon and a member of the Brotherhood Ministry. He was also a member and the Chaplain of the American Post Legion Post 219.

Eugene attended Newberry County Schools and graduated from Gallman High School. He then enlisted in the United States Army and served during the Vietnam era. After receiving a Honorable Discharge he served as a police officer in Augusta, GA, and Newberry, SC, before accepting a position with the South Carolina Department of Corrections until his retirement.

Eugene was an avid sportsman including basketball and a fan of the Pittsburgh Steelers. He was committed to supporting his children and grandchildren in all areas of their personal, academic, business and athletic life. He also spent time supporting others who came into his life.

Eugene was predeceased by siblings, Willie Lee Jackson, Esco Jackson, Hasker Dean, Ethel Mae Davenport and Ponzell Lindsay; sons, Anthony Robert Coleman, Sr., and Orlando Watkis, Jr.

Cherishing his memory are his loving wife of eleven years, Sharon Watkis Coleman; also lovingly remembered by his children, Stevie Coleman (Patricia), Tammie Epps (Reginald), Tiffany Gibson, Trevor Gibson and Cleophus Scott. He cherished the relationships with his grandchildren, Anthony Robert Coleman, Jr., Jarryd Coleman, Jordan Coleman, Rex Epps, Briant Coleman, Omarion Watkis, Chandler Watkis; great-granddaughter, Autumn Coleman; loving sisters, Patsy Ann Coleman Shells and Leila Ardelia Coleman Davis; and mother-in-law, Virginia Oglesby.

Mr. Coleman gained a special group of friends who enriched his life for more that thirty years, Charles Geiger, Hays Sims and Fred Nalls. They referred to themselves as “The Four Horseman.” Additionally, Eugene Wilson was a special friend.

A 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, now I was truly blessed.

Continue the 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 when we’re together again.
— Author Unknown

Order of Service
Reverend Jacqueline R. Sims, Presiding

The Prelude	
The Processional	Clergy and Family
Final Viewing	Family and Friends
Selection	Tammie Epps
The Scripture Readings	
Old Testament	
New Testament	
Prayer	
Remarks	Charles Geiger Eugene Wilson Steve Coleman
Solo	Rev. Jacqueline R. Sims
Words of Comfort	Rev. Sammie Robinson
Recessional	
Committal and Benediction	Graveside
Interment	Newberry Memorial Gardens Newberry, South Carolina
Repast	Grant Community Center