

## *"I'm Free"*

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free, I'm following the path God laid for me.  
I took his hand when I heard his call, I turned my back and left it all.  
I could not stay another day, To laugh, to love, to work, to play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way, I've found that peace at the close of the day.  
If my parting has left a void. Then fill it with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Ah yes, these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I savored much, Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch,  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free.

Pallbearers.....Friends of the Family  
Floral Bearers.....Friends of the Family

## *Acknowledgments*

We, the family of the late Mr. James D. Norwood, gratefully appreciate the many acts of kindness extended to us in our time of sadness during the loss of our loved one. May God continue to richly bless each of you. The family would also like to thank the United States Air Force, Kershaw Health Hospice, Miss Rona Saull from Baltimore, Maryland, Rev. Ronald Williams and the Greater Faith and Joy Tabernacle Church Family, Pastor Dr. Margaret Lopez and the God's Deliverance Center Church Family, Pastor Mary Hickman and the Community Baptist Church Family, Pastor Vivian Norwood and the Evangelistic Community Center Church Family, and Mr. Charlie Brown and Company.

## *The Norwood Family*

We, the staff of Nelson-Haile Funeral Home, sincerely hope that our service has been a source of comfort to each of you. Our goal, for the past five generations, has been and continues to be to provide excellent services to those families we are privileged to serve.

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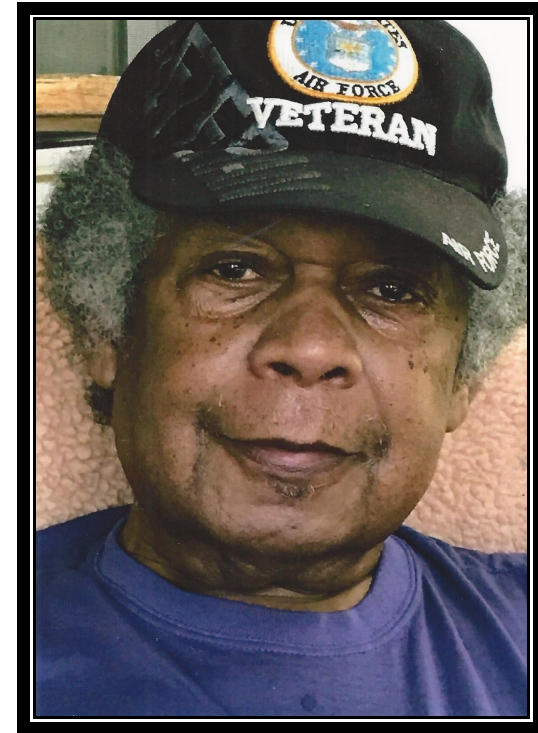
### **Moments of Meditation**

Sunday Mornings - 7:45 - 8:00 AM

102.7 FM/1590 AM

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## *A Celebration of Life* *for* *Mr. James Douglas Norwood*



*Greater Faith and Joy Tabernacle*  
*1474 Highway 601, South*  
*Lugoff, South Carolina 29078*

*Thursday, July 11, 2019*  
*12:00 P. M.*

*Reverend Ronald Williams, Pastor*

The Obituary

**James Douglas (J.D.) Norwood** was born on March 15, 1937 to the late Rev. John R. Norwood and Benzena Norwood. He departed his earthly life on Thursday, July 4, 2019 at his residence surrounded by his loving family.

**J.D.** joined the United States Air Force, and he served his country honorably. J.D. also received numerous honors for his service. He was very active in his community and various organizations. He received a Certificate of Appreciation from the American Legion as an official member. J.D. has been nominated for National Membership in the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. J.D. served as an active member of the Teamsters National Black Caucus for forty-one years. He received various certificates for defensive driving skills including a Certificate of Appreciation from the National Safety Council Defensive Driving Campaign. J.D. received an historic invitation from the current Speaker of the House, Nancy Pelosi to attend President Obama’s last State of the Union before the Presidential election on January 17, 2012. He mentored many young people. He is especially honored to have been the Big Brother to four young men, including Mr. Keith Norman, who owns his own barber shop in Baltimore, Maryland. J.D.’s proudest achievement was receiving the Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Central Maryland, Incorporated Brother of the Year Award.

**J.D.** received his religious training at an early age from his parents, Rev. John R. Norwood and Benzena Norwood. He was baptized at Mount Lebanon Bapti0.0 st Church in Baltimore, Maryland on April 19, 1994.

**J.D.** was preceded in death by his parents Rev. John R. Norwood and Benzena Norwood; sisters, Juanita Rorie, Geneva Norwood, Gertrude Lloyd, Lonzena Brown and brothers, Charles Norwood and Dr. Rev. John Norwood, Jr.

**J.D.** leaves to cherish his memory his lovely, devoted wife and soul mate of 57 years, Bernice W. Norwood, his son Chase (Jandell) Norwood of Camden, SC, one daughter, Rosetta (Zebedee) Taylor of Milton, Florida; five grandchildren, Jordan Norwood, Oliviyah Norwood, Skylah Norwood of Camden, SC, Jerome Fisher of San Antonio, TX and Alexis Oliver of Pensacola, FL; three great grandchildren. A loving niece, Pastor Mary Hickman that he lovingly called “Mom” and a host of devoted nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

**J.D.** also leaves to cherish his memory one sister, Mary Mildred Owens and one brother Nathaniel Norwood of Camden, SC; four brothers-in-law and three sisters-in-law, Andrew (Jackie) Williams, Doris (Fred) Kelly of Camden, SC, Thomas (Geneva) Williams of Columbia, SC Charles Miller, New York, NY, and Rev. Dr. James Green of Brooklyn, NY.

Order of Service

Pastor Dr. Margaret Lopez, Presiding  
God’s Deliverance Center

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL.....Clergy, Family, and Friends

SOLO.....Minister Donna Stoney

SCRIPTURE READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT.....Minister Fredosia Peebles-Patton

NEW TESTAMENT.....Rev. Ransom Williams

PRAYER OF COMFORT.....Minister Marie Williams

REMARKS.....Rev. Dr. James Green  
Sis. Delores Lloyd

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.....Sis. Delores Lloyd

SELECTION.....Greater Faith and Joy Tabernacle Choir

WORDS OF COMFORT.....Rev. Ronald Williams  
Pastor, Greater Faith and Joy Tabernacle

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RECESSIONAL.....Funeral Directors

BENEDICTION, COMMITTAL, & INTERMENT

“Special Presentation”

Ft. Jackson National Cemetery  
Columbia, South Carolina

Repast will be served at Greater Faith and Joy Tabernacle after committal services at  
Ft. Jackson National Cemetery.