



“Slipped Away”

I had to go, I could not stay,
So during the evening, I slipped away.
I loved you then, I love you now,
But I must leave you for a little while.
Please don't grieve, or shed wild tears,
And I in turn, will always be near.
Think of me when the bright sun shines,
Speak of me with a gallant smile.
Praise the Lord, and always do good,
Remember the little things I taught you
during our livelihood.
Again I say, I love you, so do not fret.
Jesus loves us all, this never forget.
I've gone to meet Him in the sky,
I'll be waiting for you in the sweet bye
and bye.



Acknowledgments

The family wishes to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your prayers, cards, floral arrangements, telegrams, love tokens, personal visits and the acts of kindness shown to us during this very special occasion in our lives. May God continue to bless each and every one of you.

The Stradford 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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A Celebration of Life for Mr. Thomas Stradford



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919 Church Street
Camden, South Carolina 29020

Wednesday, April 29, 2020

10:00 AM

Reverend Dr. James P. Smith, Presiding

Life Reflections

Mr. Thomas Stradford was born to the late Peter and Mary Stradford, on June 28, 1949, in Camden, South Carolina. He entered into eternal life on April 23, 2020, at Prisma Health Richland Hospital.

Thomas joined St. Paul United Methodist Church at an early age. He was educated in the Kershaw County Public School System and graduated from Jackson High School. Thomas joined the United States Army where he served for many years. He then went on to work at DuPont where he was a devoted employee until his health caused him to retire.

Thomas was affectionately known as "Iceberg" and "T-Lee" by his friends and family. He enjoyed playing pool, racing cars, playing cards and shooting dice. Those he came in contact with loved him.

Thomas leaves to cherish his memories, his loving wife, Josephine Stradford of Camden, SC; three sons, Darrell (Vanessa) James of Cassatt, SC, Artrell Addison and Montrell Addison both of Camden, SC; four grandchildren, Airman 1st Class Damari James of Albuquerque, NM, N'Mya James and Nadya James of Cassatt, SC and Malaysha Addison of Camden, SC; two brothers, Ted Stradford of Atlanta, GA and LeRoy Stradford of Detroit MI; four sisters, Margie Cameron of Elgin, SC, Mae Francis Stradford and Rosa Bell Stradford both of Camden, SC and Ruby Johnson of Beaufort, SC; two brothers-in-law, Walter James of Cassatt, SC and Tom (Debra) James of Camden, SC; four sisters-in-law, Melvenia (James) Fredrick of Lugoff, SC, Etheline James of Camden, SC, Barbara James of Laurel, MD and Doris (Steve) Seh of Baltimore, MD and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.



Order of Service

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The Word of Grace

Greeting

Song....."Amazing Grace"

Prayer

Scripture Readings

Old Testament

New Testament

Words of Comfort.....Rev. Dr. James P. Smith

Benediction

Committal

Recessional.....Minister, Family & Friends

Interment.....Ft. Jackson National Cemetery

"Amazing Grace"

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch; like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!