



I'M FREE

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free;
I'm following the path God chose for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call;
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day;
to laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way;
I've now found peace at the end of the day.
If my parting has left a void;
then fill it with remembered joys.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss;
Oh yes, these things, I, too, will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow;
look for the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much;
good friends, good times, a loved ones touch.
Perhaps my time seems all too brief;
don't bother yourself with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and peace to thee;
God wanted me now – He set me free!*

PALLBEARERS

Charles Council

Sterling Council

Robert Council

Jasper Crim

Javaris Crim

Craig Stuckey

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of the late George Ralph Mills, Jr., would like to thank everyone for their prayers and encouragement during our time of loss. We are beyond grateful for the many visits, cards, support, and especially the love shown to our family during this difficult time. Your kindness will never be forgotten.

The Mills 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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"Five Generations of Excellent Service"

CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF



Mr. George
RALPH MILLS, JR.

Sunrise
November 27 1964

Sunset
April 4, 2021

Saturday, April 10, 2021
11:00 a.m.

Broom Hill Baptist Church
1165 Boykin Road
Rembert, South Carolina 29128

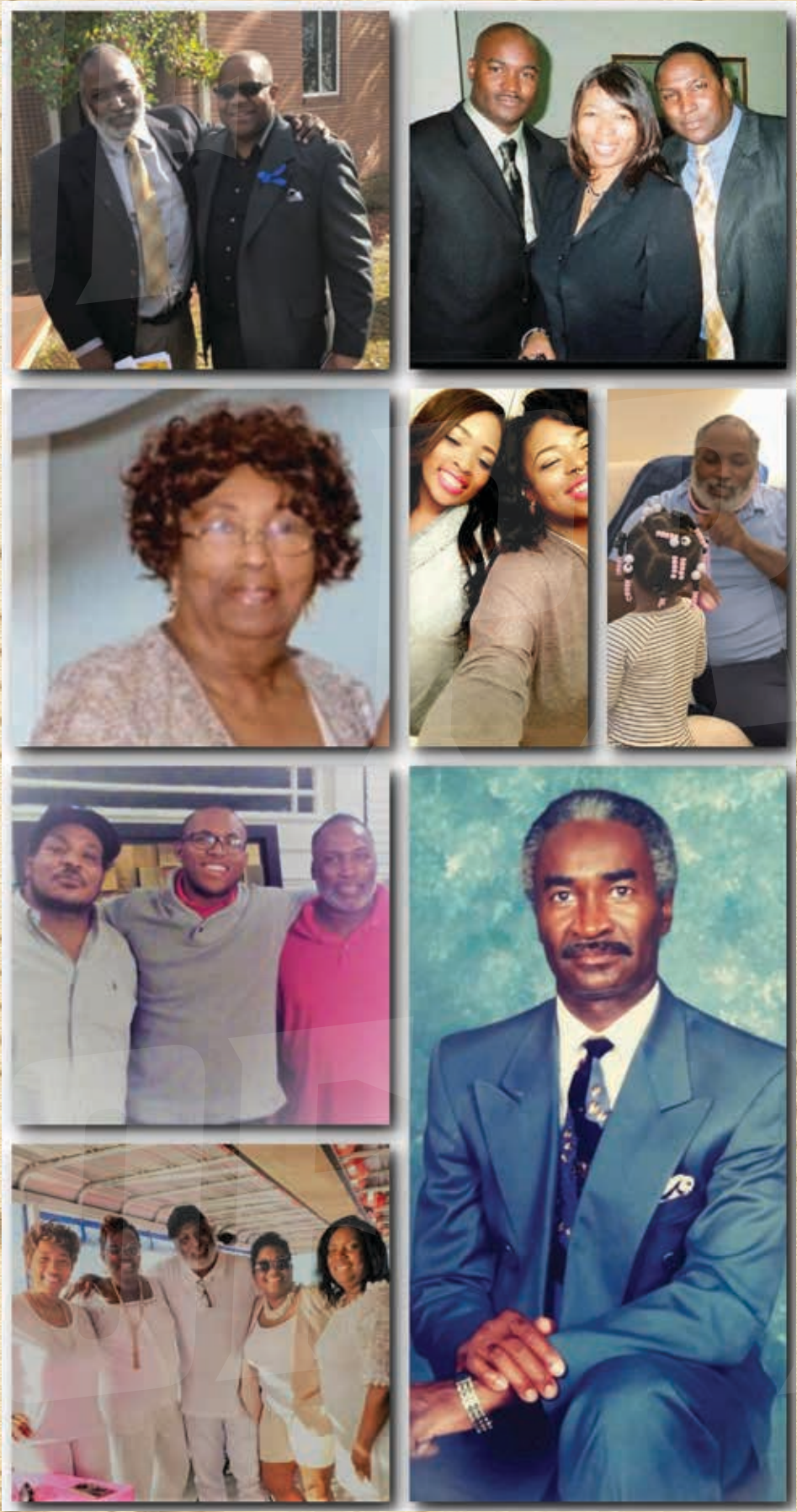
Reverend Leroy Sims Jr., Pastor

REFLECTIONS OF LIFE

PRECIOUS MEMORIES

ORDER OF SERVICE

George Ralph Mills, Jr. was born on November 27, 1964, in Camden, South Carolina. He is the youngest of two children born to George Ralph Mills, Sr., and Ruth Miller Mills. He transitioned Sunday evening, April 4, 2021, at Prisma Health Hospital, Columbia, SC. Ralph, affectionately known as “Ralphie,” grew up in Columbia, South Carolina. He started playing the piano at four years old. This was the catalyst to his interest and passion for music. As a youth, he attended Reid Chapel AME Church, where he sang on the youth choir and played piano during Sunday School. He was educated in Richland County School District One, graduating in 1983 from C.A. Johnson High School. After graduation, he attended the University of South Carolina, where he studied Music Education. Ralph loved children and was a gifted teacher. He served as a Music Teacher at St. Martin dePorres Catholic Church for seven years. While at St. Martin’s, Ralph founded and directed the “I Stand for Christ” Youth Choir. The choir performed concerts throughout the state and also performed with gospel recording artist John P. Kee. His gifts as a speaker and trainer were recognized in his career as a licensed financial services representative with Primerica for over 13 years, reaching the level of Regional Leader. Ralph also created a fashion line “Miliano Creations” along with his best friend, Yvonne Marshall. He was the designer, she was the seamstress, and together, they created dozens of original designs and hosted fashion shows. Ralph was talented in many areas. He was a black belt in Karate. He could create an architectural blueprint for a house and complete the interior design. He was an artist; however, his first love was music. He had a voice that could sing every vocal range and he could play any song by ear. As a young adult, his love for gospel music led him to relocate to Camden, SC, where he would serve as Minister of Music at Mt. Moriah Baptist Church for over 20 years. He loved all genres of music and was a tremendously gifted musician. He wanted to see others succeed in the music industry and was passionate about recognizing and highlighting talented musicians. This inspired him to open a music studio, “The Jukebox,” where he provided aspiring musicians access to a recording studio, piano lessons, and voice lessons. Ralph was preceded in death by his father, George Ralph Mills, Sr. He leaves behind: his mother, Ruth Miller-Mills; sister, Sharon Mills Pinckney (Mike); brother, Tellys Hunter (Renea); and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.



Rev. Dr. James Colman Presiding

Processional.....Ministers & Family

Opening Selection.Stand for Christ & St. Martin dePorres Choir

Scripture Readings

Old TestamentPsalm 23 Ida Renee Thompson

New TestamentJohn 14: 1-3 Tonya Lewis

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Dr. Patrick W. Wise

Musical Selection..... Marquis Adams

Remarks Monroe Miller (Uncle)

Lee Williams (Friend)

Regina Warren-Crim (Cousin)

Tyrone Kelly (Friend)

Musical Selection.....Charles LaSell Williams

Words of Comfort Stone Pinckney

Interment

Committal

Closing Prayer & Benediction

Broom Hill Baptist Church Cemetery