

Order of Service

Elder Curtis Squirewell, Presiding

- Prelude-----
- Processional----- Clergy, Family, and Friends
- Opening Selection----- Mr. Daniel Sanders and the Bible
Light Mass Choir
- Scripture Readings-----Deacon Vernon Kennedy
- Old Testament----- Isaiah 41:10-14
- New Testament----- 2 Timothy 4:6-8
- Prayer----- Elder Melvin Belton
- Solo----- Mr. Daniel Sanders
"I Won't Complain"
- Remarks----- 3 Minutes-----Deacon Vernon Kennedy
Deacon Darryl Mathis
Mrs. Quinn Henryhand
Ms. Audra Gibson
- Selection----- Bible Light Mass Choir
- Poem----- Nieces
- Solo-----Mr. Daryl Prioleau
- Reflections-----Ms. Carolyn Taylor
- Musical Medley-----
- Solo----- Ms. Carolyn Taylor
"I Know a Place"
- Words of Comfort----- Elder Curtis Squirewell
- Solo----- Mrs. Melissa Evans-Pauling
"Break Every Chain"
- Recessional-----Funeral Directors
"Call Him Up"

Committal Rites and Presentation
Bible Light Holiness Church Cemetery
Ridgeway, SC

Floral Bearers FCHS Class of 1989

Pallbearers
Brian Boulware
Shawn Miller
Curtis Squirewell
David Squirewell
Gregory Prioleau
Daryl Prioleau

Acknowledgements

The family of the late Mr. Paul Chatman wishes to convey our sincere appreciation for your prayers and support during our bereavement. What a blessing to have friends and family like you.

Special thanks to The Fairfield Transit System, Frensenius Kidney Care of Fairfield County, Palmetto Health Richland & Staff, Providence Hospital & Staff, Palmetto Health Baptist & Staff, Amedisys Home Health Service and a Very, Very Special friend Sharon "Sha" Hare his personal caretaker.

God Bless each of you.



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A Celebration of Life



Mr. Paul M. Chatman

April 16, 1970 – August 7, 2016

Friday, August 12, 2016, 1:00 P.M.
Bible Light Holiness Church
9590 Hwy 34 E
Ridgeway, SC 29130

Elder Curtis Squirewell, Pastor

Reflections of Life **Mr. Paul Madrid Chatman** *“Big Daddy Rabbit”*

A Son

On April 16, 1970, a baby boy weighing 11 lbs. was delivered at the home of his parents, Mr. & Mrs. William Chatman Sr., by Mrs. Dannie Squirewell (midwife). He was a special baby boy and many that came to visit were amazed by his birth and weight. Mrs. Squirewell declared that this boy is going to Preach the word!

A Brother

Paul joined his older brother and sister, William “Chat” Jr, and Carolyn “Ginga”. After being the baby for two years, his sister Carmen “Teresa” was born and five years later baby girl Ernestine “LaVerne” was born. He also had a very special love for his two brothers Kelvin “Rick” Brown and Barry Wright.

An Uncle

Paul loved his nieces and nephews and each one held a special place in his heart. They all had great respect for him, but they also had that fear when the tone of his voice was different when he called their names. They knew if you got caught acting up, you were in deep trouble with him.

A Husband and Father

On July 24, 1999, Paul married Andretta Williams and to this union one daughter was born, his love, Makaila Alexis Chatman. He also had a step-daughter, Kenya Roach whom he loved as his own.

A Friend

Paul was full of love and never met a stranger. He was well known and respected by many. It seems that every town or city you were in, if someone met you and found out your last name was Chatman or that you were from Ridgeway, SC, they would ask “Do you know Paul Chatman?”

A Leader

As a substitute teacher and school bus driver, he didn’t play with the students and they respected Mr. Chatman. Paul had a great love for the youth in all communities. He spent quality time with them and was a father and brother to several. He would often take them on trips to the beach, bowling, movies, softball games and of course, he made sure he took them to church. As one said “He was MONUMENTAL to so many of us during our childhood”.

A Caterer

Paul had a passion for good food and he loved to cook. He catered several events until his health declined. This didn’t stop him from cooking. Whenever there were family gatherings, he continued to put that special touch on a meal. When he became unable to stand, he would sit in a chair to cook and of course give orders to the others that were cooking.

A Voice

Paul was anointed with a powerful voice. He began singing at the age of six, leading the beginners choir at Bible Light Holiness Church. He later led the Junior Choir and the Mass choir. He had a voice that that would

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bring you to your feet, bring tears to your eyes and even put a shout in your feet. Known as the “Tambourine Man,” he could make a tambourine talk.

Throughout his journey, he led, traveled and sang with many choirs and musical groups, just to name a few: Bible Light Holiness Church, Youth Inspiration, Columbia Mass Choir, Anointed Praise and Mike Johnson and his very own group “Paul Chatman and Rapture.” In 2002, he recorded a single “By My Side Lord” featuring Rapture & Melissa Evans-Pauling. One of his proudest moments was singing with John P. Kee & New Life.

A Fighter

At an early age he was diagnosed with Diabetes and as the years passed he battled several other illnesses. Regardless of what tried to get him down, and the bad news he would receive from Doctors, he NEVER COMPLAINED. Through many, many hospital stays he was a fighter and would bounce back. He had a “Fight for Life” that was so strong. In 2015, after being told by several Doctors that they had done everything for him that they could do, he told them “I’ll be alright, I SERVE A MIGHTY GOD.”

The Call

On Sunday, August 7, 2016, God knew Paul’s work down here on earth was done and called him home to Eternal rest. “I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the Faith.” 2 Timothy 4:7

Paul was loved by many who will definitely miss him dearly. Special to his heart was his godmother, Miss Emma Burgess, goddaughter, LaPrecious Johnson and godson, Rashad Hammond.

Paul was preceded in death by his father, Mr. William Chatman, Sr. who passed away five weeks prior to his death.

