STEVEN BANKS AND JOEL TURNER, JR.



Service Details

Thursday, November 30, 2017 at 1:00 pm

McCormick First Baptist Church 108 S Oak St, McCormick, SC 29835

Pastor Michael Allen

A Celebration of Their Lives...

Remembering Joel Turner, Fr.

Let not your heat be troubled; Ye believe in God believe also in me. In my father's house are many mansions, If it were not so, I would have told you.

John 14:1-2

Joel Turner, Jr., 44, was born September 28, 1973 in Washington, DC. He was the beloved son of Shirley Turner and the late Joel Turner, Sr. He departed this earthly life on Friday, November 24, 2017.

He was a member of Mt. Zion A.M.E Church in McCormick. He was a graduate of Calhoun Falls High School, Class of 1991. He was employed by Burnstein Von Seelen in Abbeville, South Carolina.

Joel loved fishing and football! His favorite teams were the Clemson Tigers and the Denver Broncos. But, more than anything, he loved being at home spending time with his family.

He leaves to forever cherish special memories, his wife, Ardreika Pratt Turner; daughter, A'Bria Bryant of Calhoun Falls, South Carolina; two stepdaughters, I'vion and I'Vionna Hardy, and two stepsons, Si'Keljon Hardy and Demetric Anderson, Jr, all of the home; and his mother, Shirley Turner of Greenwood, South Carolina. He also leaves to mourn his passing, two brothers, Neal Turner of Calhoun Falls, South Carolina and Emmanuel (Rachel) Blair of Greenwood, South Carolina; paternal grandfather, Ulysses Blair; and a host of other loving relatives and dear friends.

In addition to his father, Joel was predeceased by his paternal grandmother, Elizabeth Blair, and maternal grandparents, J.R. and Beatrice Turner.



























Remembering Steven Anthony Banks

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

John 14: 1-3

Steven Anthony Banks was born February 26, 1983 in Abbeville, South Carolina to Bridgette L. Banks Blair and the late Steven Lynn Blair, his loving parents. He departed this earthly life on November 24, 2017 in McCormick, South Carolina.

"Spanky", as he was affectionately known, graduated from McCormick High School in 2001 and went on to attend Piedmont Technical College in Greenwood, South Carolina.

Spanky loved his Dallas Cowboys! He was a true fan. He had a passion for restoring and working on antique cars. He enjoyed family get-togethers and just spending quality time with loved ones. He will truly be missed by all who loved and knew him.

Steven leaves to cherish precious memories, a daughter, Madison Banks; two sons, Dakari Elmore and Hakiem Banks; his mother, Bridgett Blair of McCormick, South Carolina; sister, Dayleshia Robinson of Mt. Carmel, South Carolina and Dayatra Robinson, who helped raise him; grandparents, Mary Banks Robinson and Ulysses Blair; a devoted companion, Shannon Gilmore of the home; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, and dear friends.

Although Spanky is no longer with us, his kind and loving spirit will forever live on in the hearts of all who loved and knew him.

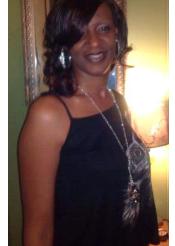
















































The Order of Service

Pastor Clyde C. Cannon, Officiating

Prelude	Musician
Processional	Clergy and Family
Final Farewells to Our Beloved Joel and Steven	Bostick-Tompkins Staff
Hymn of Praise	Rock Ford Gospel Choir
Scripture Readings	
Old Testament	Reverend Michael Butler Pastor, New Hope Baptist Church
New Testament	Dr. Lynda M. Tucker Pastor, Holy Spring Baptist Church
Prayer of Comfort	Reverend Michael Allen Pastor, McCormick First Baptist Church
Selection	Rock Ford Gospel Choir
Reflections (two minutes please)	As Directed by the Officiant
Silent Reading of the Obituaries	
Acknowledgments	Bostick-Tompkins Staff
Selection	Rock Ford Gospel Choir
Words of Comfort	Reverend Mitchell Glover Pastor, Spring Grove Baptist Church
Prayer for Strength	Reverend Lebbie L. Ligon Pastor, Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church

Recessional

Services of Commendation

Joel Turner, Jr.

Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church Cemetery 185 Mt. Zion Church Road McCormick, South Carolina New Hope Baptist Church Cemetery 1680 New Hope Road McCormick, South Carolina

Steven Anthony Banks

Immediately following the interments, please join our families for a repast at New Hope Baptist Church.

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A Letter to My Husband...

Mere words cannot begin To tell you how I feel. You're the one thing in my life I can always count on ... The one I can count on to be real. We've had our ups and downs. But whenever we're apart, I still get an empty feeling Deep inside my heart. We've stood the test of time; We've walked the narrow road. And at the end of every day, It's you I want to hold. I'm proud to be your wife. I'm proud to be your friend. And if given a choice, I'd do it all again. Our friendship, our bond Was never until death do us part. It has been and always will be Forever and beyond.

A Letter to Our Second Dad...

You never said you were leaving;
You never said goodbye.
You were gone before we knew it,
And only God knew why.

A million times we needed you,
A million times we cried.
If love alone could have saved you,
You never would have died.

In life we loved you dearly,
In death we love you still.
In our hearts you hold a place,
That no one could ever fill.

It broke our hearts to lose you, But you didn't go alone For part of us went with you, The day God took you home.

Your loving children, Kel-J, Byrd, Red, & Chunch

Your loving wife, Ardreika Pratt Turner

tor Steven Anthony Banks

In Memory of a Special Son...

It's sometimes hard to know why some things happen as they do,
For so much joy and happiness was centered around you.
It seems so hard to comprehend that you're no longer here.
But all the happy memories will help to keep you near.
You're thought about with pride, Son, with each mention of your name.
Death cannot change a single thing because the love will always remain.

Active Pallbearers

Honorary Pallbearers

Mike Gilbert
John Norman
James Gillibeaux

Michael Freeman

Ralph Jackson

Brandon Bryant

Gavin Avery

Pete Brown

Demarcus Tutt

Calhoun Falls High School Class of 1991 McCormick High School Class of 2001 Brad Wardlaw
Justin Blair
Keith Gilchrist
Montreal Gilchrist

Floral Bearers

Nautia Sibert
Shanelle Gilchrist
Tasonja Weaver
Nakosha Morgan
Calhoun Falls High School Class of 1991
McCormick High School Class of 2001

Family Acknowledgment

How truly grateful we are to have wonderful friends like you! Your love and support for our family has been very much appreciated during this time of loss. It is difficult to find words to express how thankful we are for your expressions of love to our family. But most of all, we thank you for your prayers as they continue to sustain us. May God continue to bless each of you in a very special way.

