



PALLBEARERS
FAMILY & FRIENDS

FLORAL BEARERS
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WHEN FAITH TURNS INTO SIGHT, WE SHALL SEE
FOR OURSELVES

WHAT MUST IT BE TO STEP ON SHORE,
AND FIND IT----HEAVEN;

TO TAKE HOLD OF A HAND
AND FIND IT ----GOD'S HAND;

TO BREATH A NEW AIR
AND FIND IT CELESTIAL AIR;

TO FEEL INVIGORATED
AND FIND IT---IMMORTALITY

TO SAIL FROM THE CARE AND TURMOIL OF
EARTH

TO ONE UNBROKEN CALM;
TO LAND THERE AND FIND IT---GLORY

THE FAMILY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We the family of the **late Mr. Otis Barr, Jr.**, would like to thank our many friends and family for the wonderful acts of kindness rendered to us during the passing of our beautiful loved one. God's sweetest blessing upon each one of you.

Services Entrusted to:
BOSTICK-TOMPKINS FUNERAL HOME

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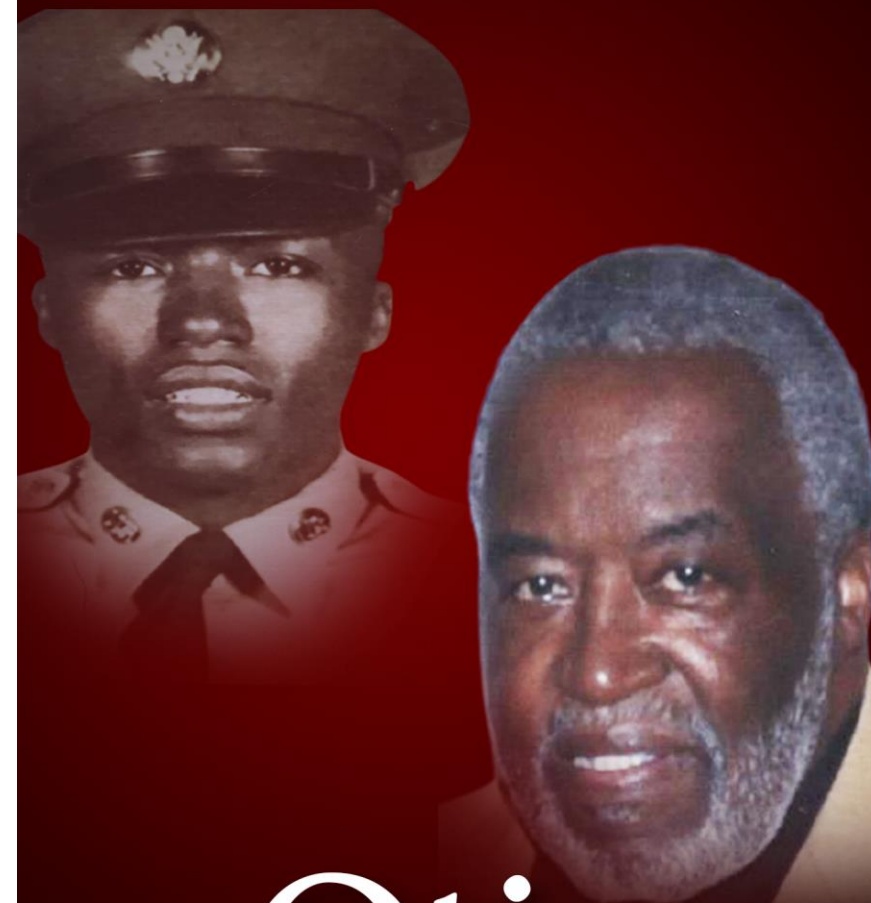


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A CELEBRATION OF HIS LIFE

TUESDAY, JUNE 29, 2021
ELEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

BOSTICK-TOMPKINS FUNERAL HOME
2930 COLONIAL DRIVE, COLUMBIA, SC



Otis
Barr, Jr.

September 5, 1938 ~ June 20, 2021

REFLECTIONS OF HIS LIFE

Mr. Otis Barr, Jr. also known as “Brother” by his siblings and “Uncle Brother” by his nieces and nephews, went home to be with the Lord on June 20, 2021. He was the second born to the late Otis and Mary Barr on September 5, 1938 in Columbia, SC.

Otis was a 1956 graduate of C.A. Johnson High School. After high school he was drafted into the US Army and served 2 years active and 4 years in the Army Reserves. He attended Columbia Commercial College after his military obligation. He was a hard worker and a devoted employee with the US Postal Service where he served as a Postal Clerk and Expeditor. After 50 years of service, he retired in 2019. Otis worshipped and served on the nurse’s guild, usher board and as a trustee as well as any other capacity needed at Antioch Baptist Church in Columbia.

Otis was a collector of hats and had accumulated 150 hats. He enjoyed watching basketball and football. He was an avid bowler and was a part of several bowling leagues. He enjoyed learning new information from legal programs he watched on tv such as Judge Judy and Judge Mathis. He also read the state newspaper every day.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his daughter and the apple of his eye, Candy Barr Bowen and his sister, Rosemary Jones.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife of 24 years, Evangelist Kathy Barr of Columbia, SC; sons from a previous marriage, Otis (April) N. Barr of Atlanta, GA, Kelvin Barr of Raleigh, NC; stepdaughter, Regina (Jason) Ricks of Columbia, SC; granddaughters, Hope Noelle Bowen of Jacksonville, Fl and Chloe Barr of Atlanta, GA; grandsons, Christopher Barr of Atlanta, Ga, Darius Ricks and Jaylin Ricks of Columbia, SC; son-in law, Stephen Bowen of Jacksonville, FL; siblings, Shirley Snodey of Pittsburgh, PA, Carolyn Kennedy, Brenda (Jacob) Smith, Theodore (Gloria) Barr and Susan (Andrew) Jones all of Columbia, SC; a tiny little bodyguard (pup), his shadow, named Lady and a host of other loving relatives and friends whom will miss him dearly.

South Carolina Postal Worker’s 50-year career wins
stamp of approval
Posted on September 8, 2014
The State newspaper

When Otis Barr first joined the ranks of the U.S. Postal
Service, ZIP codes were just a year old, first-class
stamps were 5 cents and he was earning \$2.64 an hour
as a part-time flexible clerk in manual operations.

The 76-year-old Columbia-area employee celebrated his
50th anniversary on the job in 2014 and received a
federal service pin marking the landmark milestone of
his tenure.

Barr’s entire career was spent in the Columbia area in
manual distribution. He served as the general expeditor
at the Columbia Processing and Distribution Center in
West Columbia, where he directed the flow of mail in
and out of the trucks.

Barr, who spent 46 years of his career on the night shift,
had the highest seniority of anyone at the Processing
and Distribution Center and had accumulated 3,637
hours of sick leave.

He received a letter of commendation from Postmaster
General Patrick Donahoe, recognizing his years of
service.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude

Processional..... Clergy and family

Final Farewell to Our BelovedBTFH Staff

Opening Selection.....

Prayer..... Minister

Scripture Readings..... Minister

Remarks Susan Jones, *Sister*
Betty James -Leaks, *Former Co-Worker*

Resolution

Selection.....

Words of Comfort..... Pastor Albert A. Neal
Antioch Baptist Church, Columbia, SC

Recessional

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