# **He Only Takes the Best**

God saw that you were getting tired,
A cure was not to be.
So He put His arms around you and whispered, "Come with Me."
With tearful eyes, we watched you suffer,
And saw you fade away.
Although we loved you dearly,
We could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands to rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes "the best".



# Acknowledgements

For much more than the words "Thank You" could ever express, the family of Mr. Patrick Levon Clemons extends sincere expressions of gratitude for the many acts of kindness, cards, flowers and your prayers during the passing of our love one. Your thoughtfulness will be a source of comfort for days to come.

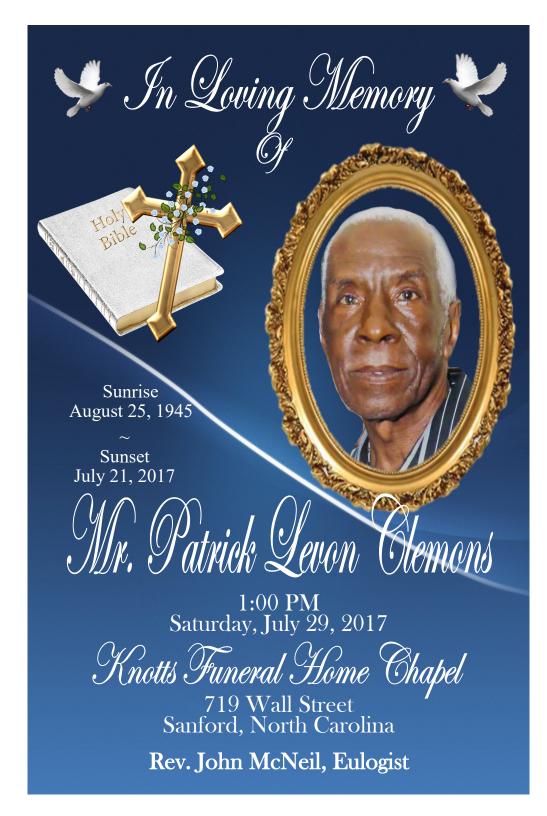
~The Family

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### Order of Service

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# My Dad

Your battle is now over
No tears falling down your cheeks,
No more pain, no more suffering,
now you are no longer weak.
I still do not understand why,
but I will hold you tightly within
my heart and there you will remain
until the joyous day arrives
that we will meet again.

Love, Jackie

### Obituary

Mr. Patrick Lavon Clemons "PC" August 25, 1945 to the late Burbie Clemons and Maggie Clemons. God called him home on July 21, 2017.

"PC" was raised in Olivia and attended Johnsonville High School.

He loved to sing in the choir. Shortly after high school he moved to Virginia. In the early part of his life he worked at the ship yard in Norfolk, Virginia soon after he came back to North Carolina there he joined the United States Army. Patrick joined New Beginnings For Christ and loved spending time with his family, friends and especially his ethereal mother.

He was preceded in death by his three brothers, Burbie Jr., Randy and Ronnie Clemons.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his four daughters, Jacqueline Thomason of the home, Lorie Clemons of Suffolk, Virginia, Lynn Cain of Fayetteville, North Carolina and Lisa McAuley of Fayetteville, North Carolina; two sons, Patrick Clemons Jr. of Suffolk, Virginia, and Otis Haynes of Sanford, North Carolina; several grandchildren and great grandchildren; he also leaves his mother, Maggie Clemons of Sanford, North Carolina, his five sisters, Bethea Williams (Will), of Woodbridge, Virginia, Carolyn Royal (James) of Columbus, Georgia, Maggie McBryde (Russell), Deborah Clemons and Janice Harden all of Sanford, North Carolina; his nine brothers, Herbert Clemons and Carlos Clemons of Sanford, NC; James Clemons (Janice) and Martin Clemons of Olivia, NC; Anthony Clemons of Greensboro, NC; Pierre Clemons of Boston, Massachusetts, Oliver Clemons (Margaret) of Lemon Springs, NC, Eric Clemons and Dennis Clemons both of Olivia. He also leaves a special friend, Bennie West and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.