

OBITUARY

“So with you: Now is our time of grief, but I will see you again, and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy.” John 16:22

Anthony Eugene Hooker went home to be with our Heavenly Father on January 17, 2021. He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert H. McCants, Clifton, and Vera Watson, wife, Yvonne Christiansen and a special friend, Irene Smithwick.

Growing up, Anthony attended McQueen Chapel United Methodist Church in Lemon Springs, North Carolina. He gave his life to Christ, and his lifestyle reflected his love for the Lord and people.

Anthony was born on September 15, 1963, and graduated from Lee Senior High School in Sanford, North Carolina, in 1982. Following graduation, he held several occupations; custodian for Lee Senior High School, Material Handler at Coty Inc., Tree Masters Tree Removal Company, and Sherwin Williams Company.

Anthony was a loving brother, uncle, cousin, and friend. He was someone who always saw the positive in every person and situation. Generosity was a cornerstone of Anthony's life, and anytime someone needed help, he would assist in the best way possible. All around him felt his caring spirit and giving nature. He would never hesitate to give time, money, or even a good joke to make you feel better. Anthony was an avid sports fan. It was no secret how much he loved his favorite football team, the Dallas Cowboys. When it came to basketball, he was the Carolina Tar Heels number one fan. Anthony was an outdoorsman who loved spending time with various animals and fishing. He was known to own goats, a horse, and even a bull. His animals were regularly addressed by a name he'd given to them. Anthony was also known to the family as “Mr. Fix-It,” as he could always be found tinkering with things around the house. Anthony's uplifting spirit made him a friend to many, and he enjoyed many hours with cherished family, friends and acquaintances throughout his life.

Anthony leaves his loving siblings to cherish his memories, Stephanie and Tjuana Hooker, Cleshona and Clintrell Watson, and Karen Battle (Wayne). He also leaves behind his only godchild, Jasmine Walker, and a host of other nieces, nephews, relatives, and beloved friends.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Gathering

Words of Grace

Greeting

Prayer of Comfort

Proclamation and Response

Remarks and Comments

Memorial and Homily

Closing Prayer

Committal

Romans 14:8 “If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.”

T A R H E E L S

REFLECTIONS

“We bid you a final farewell, dearest Anthony as you transition to your heavenly resting place. You left us way too soon, but we know that you are at peace and rejoicing with your many family members that preceded you and who are there welcoming you home. We will miss you, but the memory of our times together here will be forever in our hearts. May your soul rest in heavenly peace.” **DEBORAH “AUNTIE” ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE FAMILY!**

“We never got to say goodbye to a friend who was like a brother. You are such a kind-hearted person who always thought of others. You're still here in our hearts and minds. We will hold on to those good memories until we meet again. Like we used to say, ‘We never know when it'll be the last time we see each other’
JERRY AND CLARA MCIVER AND FAMILY

“Anthony was one of the humblest people that I knew. He was just a good-hearted person. He will be missed greatly. We are praying for both families”
RICKY WOMBLE AND FAMILY

“May you rest in peace. I was glad I helped lead you to Christ. Romans 10:9” -**ELNORA MCIVER**

“Anthony, we love you and will miss you forever. I will miss all the messages and you checking in on us. You cared so much and had such a huge heart. I will never believe this and know your heart!! Our hearts are broken here. Thank you for loving us for all these years. You were a grandpa to my girls and considered me your daughter. Thank you also for loving my momma the way you did and our family. We will love you always.”
CRYSTAL SMITHWICK SUTTON AND FAMILY





IN MEMORY OF A SPECIAL BROTHER

By an Unknown Author

Today is full of memories of a brother laid to rest and every single one of them is filled with happiness. For you were someone special always such a joy to know and there was so much pain when it was time to let you go That's why this special message is sent to heaven above for the angels to take care of you and give you all our love.



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