

## Obituary

Mr. Johnny Robert Adams was born on February 7, 1938 in Plum Branch, South Carolina. He was the son of Deacon Marion Adams and Jessie B. Caldwell Adams. He departed his life on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at his resident.

Mr. Adams was a graduate of C. A. Johnson High School. After graduation, he enlisted in the United States Air Force on November 28, 1955 - November 27, 1964. He later joined the National Guard Reserves on September 18, 1965. After honorably leaving the Air Force, he continued his education at Allen University, where he played football on a scholarship.

He began singing gospel at a very early age with his sisters and brother; they were known as "The Adams Singers." He joined Greater St. Luke Baptist Church, where he served as an usher, trustee, and was a member of the choir.

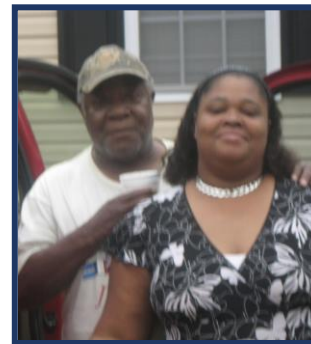
Mr. Adams pursued his career as a Brick Mason and Truck Driver. He was a local and coastal driver for many years.

He was united in Holy Matrimony to Mary M. Fairbanks on January 23, 2014, in Columbia, South Carolina.

He was preceded in death by: his parents, Marion and Jessie Adams; daughter, Cheryl Mayers Rogers; granddaughter, April Matthews-Gilmore; siblings, Reverend Marion C. Adams, Sr., Jessie Mayers, Arnilee Outing, Leona Brown, Grace Mayers, Yvonne Daniels, and James Holiday.

Mr. Johnny Adams leaves to mourn his passing: his wife, Mary Fairbanks Adams, and this stepchildren, Vinnie Brown, Jr., Vinshay Brown, Vintasha Fairbanks, Brenda Fairbanks; foster-child, Messiah Glover; first wife, Morna Adams, and their children, Roselyn Adams-Matthews, Retina Adams, George M. Adams, Carlie Adams (Arthur) Mosley, Bridgette Adams; second wife, Ethel Gooden (deceased) and their children, Patricia Adams Branch (Gregory) Weston and Teriko Adams Davis; a son, Andre Dunbar and his mother, Merdus Dunbar; a daughter, Latia Adams and her mother, Barbara Adams; daughter, Letitia Boyd, and her mother, Rose Boyd (deceased); two sisters, Lois Jacobs and Connie Bookman, both of Columbia, SC; two aunts, Willie Mae Bynum and Irene Caldwell; two brothers-in-law, Nathaniel Brown and Wallace Mayers; a host of grandchildren; great-grandchildren; great-great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, other relatives, and caring friends.

## Memories



## Order of Service

Prelude....."I Told the Storm"  
 (Recording by: Greg O'Quin N Joyful Noize)

Opening Hymn..... "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Old Testament.....Mr. John Ervin

New Testament.....Deacon Ray C. Moses

Prayer of Comfort.....Reverend Dr. Jack Wilson

Selection...Minister Anthony Outen, Ms. Kandice Burrell,  
 and Reverend Oliva Wilson

Remarks..... A Friend  
 A Family Member  
 Mr. Andraé Stokes, Jr.

Solo.....Ms. Kandice Burrell

Words of Comfort.....Reverend Olivia Wilson

Recessional....."Going Up Yonder"  
 (Recording by: Walter Hawkins)

Postlude



## Committal, Benediction and Interment

Friday, November 12, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.  
 Fort Jackson National Cemetery  
 4170 Percival Road  
 Columbia, South Carolina



*A Hero's Welcome*

By: Robert Longley

*Time to come home dear brother  
Your tour of duty through  
You've given as much as anyone  
Could be expected to do.*

*Just a few steps further  
The smoke will start to clear  
Others here will guide you  
You have no need to fear.*

*You have not failed your brothers  
You dearly gave it all  
And through your selfless actions  
Others will hear the call.*

*So take your place of honor  
Among those who have gone before  
And know you will be remembered  
For now and evermore.*

*Pallbearers*

Nephews

*Floral Bearers*

Nieces

*Acknowledgement*

We, the family of Mr. Johnny R. Adams, wish to express our love and appreciation to American Hospice, Caregiver Ureeda Barnett, and Leevy's Funeral Home. A special thank you to Mr. John Ervin, Sr. who was Mr. Adams' companion. Thank you for your support, mostly prayers, during the passing of our loved one.

*Very truly I tell you, you will weep and mourn while the world rejoices. You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy.*

*John 16:20*

*Repast*

205 Red Hill Road  
Columbia, South Carolina

**Services Entrusted To:**

<b>Taylor Street Chapel</b> 1831 Taylor Street Columbia, SC 29201 (803)771-7799	<b>Leevy's</b> FUNERAL HOME	<b>Lower Richland Chapel</b> 9120 Garners Ferry Road Hopkins, SC 29061 (803) 776-6922
I. S. Leevy Johnson -Owner & Director-	Chris Leevy Johnson -President & Managing Director-	Leverette A. Williams, II -General Manager-

*In Honor of your Memory of*

*Mr. Johnny Robert Adams*



*Thursday, November 11, 2021*

*1:00 p.m.*

*Leevy's Funeral Home Chapel*

*1831 Taylor Street*

*Columbia, South Carolina*