

Pallbearers

Rodney Wooden
Emuhn Franklin
Jermaine Franklin

Ernest Franklin, Jr.
Deven Allen
Willie Commander

Carlos Franklin

Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mr. Dexter Von Franklin, would like to personally thank all our loving family and friends for your unconditional love and support during this time. We would like to also thank Leevy's Funeral Home for the many loving and wonderful acts of kindness rendered to us during this time.

Services Entrusted To:

Taylor Street Chapel
1831 Taylor Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803)771-7799

Leevy's
FUNERAL HOME

Lower Richland Chapel
9120 Garners Ferry Road
Hopkins, SC 29061
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*Celebration of Life and
Legacy of*

MR. DEXTER VON FRANKLIN



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2021
11:00 A.M.

LEEYV'S FUNERAL HOME CHAPEL
1831 TAYLOR STREET
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

Obituary

Mr. Dexter Von Franklin was born on January 7, 1963, in Memphis, TN. He was the son of the late Sam and Elizabeth *Lizzie* Franklin. He was one of seven children. He departed this life on Wednesday, December 15, 2021.

Dexter graduated from Carver High School, and proceeded to join the United States Army. Through his many assignments, he landed in Fort Jackson, South Carolina, where he met and married Sheila Allen, of Baltimore, MD.

He was preceded in death by: his parents, Sam and Elizabeth *Lizzie* Franklin; sister, Jean (Tom) Flenorl; brothers, Wendell and Melvin Franklin; one daughter, April Ford; and his father-in-law, Curly Allen, Jr.

Mr. Dexter Von Franklin leaves behind: his one and only son, Montrel Franklin, of Memphis, TN; three adoring daughters, Brittany Franklin, of Columbia, SC, Brooke Franklin (Jameson Jolly), of Columbia, SC, and Breon Franklin, of Irmo, SC; two brothers, Sam (Verlinda) Franklin, Jr. and Ernest (Loretta) Franklin, both of Memphis, TN; two sisters, Lazene Wooden, of Memphis, TN and Modestine Carter, of Chicago, IL; six grandchildren, Montrel Jr, Alana, Zoe, Damien, Daniel, and Shunteria; mother-in-law, Julia Allen, of Columbia, SC; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Sheron (Michael) Capers, Kendra Allen, both of Columbia, SC, Tommy (Kim) Allen, of Jacksonville, FL, Dwayne (Jannine) Allen, of Charlotte, NC, and Mark (Pam) Allen, of Columbia, SC; and a host of EXCEPTIONAL nieces and nephews.

If Tears Could Build A Stairway

If tears could build a stairway,
and memories a lane.

I would walk right up to Heaven
and bring you back again.

No farewell words were spoken,
No time to say **goodbye**.
You were gone before I knew it,
and only God knows why.

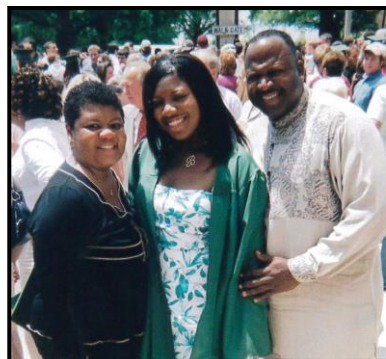
My heart still aches with sadness,
and secret tears still flow.
What it meant to love you -
No one can ever know.

But now I know you want me
to mourn for you no more;
To remember all the happy times
life still has much in store.

Since you'll never be forgotten,
I pledge to you today~
A hollowed place within my heart
is where you'll always stay.

Author: Unknown

Memories



Order of Service

Prelude
 Processional
 Opening Selection..... “Golden Time of Day”
 (Recording by: Maze Featuring Frankie Beverly)
 Scripture Reading – Isaiah 41:10.....Minister
 Prayer of Comfort.....Mr. Todd Commander
 Musical Selection..... “Better Days”.....Ms. Alana Williams
 Poem.....Mr. Sam Franklin, Jr.
 Remarks.....Mr. Montrel Franklin, *Son*
 Ms. Inger Spikner, *Niece*
 Words of ComfortMr. Freddie Commander
 Recessional..... “Lovely Inspirations”
 (Recording by: Maze featuring Frankie Beverly)
 Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

1:00 p.m.

Fort Jackson National Cemetery
 4170 Percival Road
 Columbia, South Carolina

Memories

