

*Pallbearers*

Eau Claire High School Athletic Teammates

*Floral Bearers*

Family and Friends

*Acknowledgements*

We, the family of Mr. Roderick Antonio Buxton, Sr., wish to express our gratitude to the Leevy's Funeral Home staff, First Nazareth Baptist Church, American Legion, VFW Organizations, the active and retired staff of Fort Jackson school system, the alumni of Eau Claire High School, Class of 1990, the Omicron Phi Chapter, of Omega Psi Phi, Fraternity, Inc., Colonial Park and Carolyn's Florist. Thank you for your love and support during our time of loss.

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*A Celebration of Life  
In Loving Memory  
of*

**RODERICK ANTONIO BUXTON, SR.**



**MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2022  
1:00 P.M.**

**LINCOLN CEMETERY  
4900 FARROW ROAD  
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**REVEREND LARRY DUNCAN  
-OFFICIATING-**

*Reflections of the Life  
of  
Mr. Roderick Antonio Buxton*

Mr. Roderick Antonio Buxton, Sr. was born on April 25, 1972, at Fort Dix, New Jersey. He was the son of Doris Hammond Buxton and Raymond Buxton, Jr.

At an early age Roderick began to show an interest in sports and his natural sports abilities and talents began to blossom in while attending Saint Andrews Middle School and continued through graduation from Eau Claire High School. While at Eau Claire, he was a starting quarterback on the football team, a pitcher on the baseball team, and a point guard on the basketball team. He was a proud and popular member of the Eau Claire High School Shamrock class of 1990. He was an avid chess player.

Upon graduation from Eau Claire High School, Roderick attended Savannah State University in Savannah, Georgia and was on their baseball team. His popularity followed him to Savannah where he never met a stranger and made many lifelong friends.

He established himself early in life as an entrepreneur. He owned a furniture store, restaurant, and finally his own seafood distribution company called Fresh off the Docks, III, LLC.

On December 8, 2021, Roderick was involved in a terrible accident. On January 19, 2022, the love and light of everyone's life transitioned to a more peaceful place.

He was preceded in death by: his maternal grandparents, Frederick and Roseanna Hammond; paternal grandparents, Mary Hayes and Raymond Buxton, Sr.

Mr. Roderick Antonio Buxton, Sr. leaves to mourn and cherish his memory: his children, Roderick Buxton, Jr., of Bluffton, South Carolina; Jayda Buxton, of Atlanta, Georgia; his mother, Doris Hammond (Richard) Buxton, of Columbia, SC; his father, Raymond (Joyce) Buxton, Jr., Blythewood, SC; his fiancée, Ronda Goins, of Blythewood, SC; his aunts, Martha Ann Hayes, of Millen, GA, Judy (Roy) Collier, of Augusta, GA; Jacqueline B. (Larry) Watson, of Boynton Beach, Florida, and Doreen (Daniel) Holmes, of Savannah, GA; his uncle, Butch Johnson, of Columbia, SC; godmother, Shirley Green, of Savannah, Ga.; special lifelong friends, Dexter Primus of Columbia, SC and Dana Green of Savannah, Ga.; along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and many other relatives and caring friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

*To Those I Love and  
To Those Who Love Me*

Rod, I wish I could wake up and see you standing there.

Then I would know that it was just a nightmare.

Son, I remember when you were small and how you would hold my hand, and as you grew older you became my best friend.

Son, I have 49 years of memories that I will treasure and keep safe in my heart.

We share a bond that time and distance can never break apart.

Son, oh how my heart aches so.

I would love to have you back and never let you go.

So, where there was happiness,

Now there is sadness.

Son, how I long to hear your voice and see your beautiful smile and have you back for just a little while.

Son, until that day I see you again,

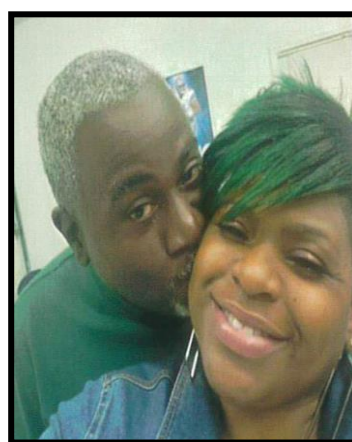
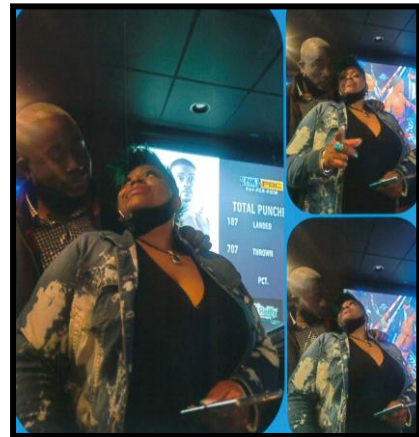
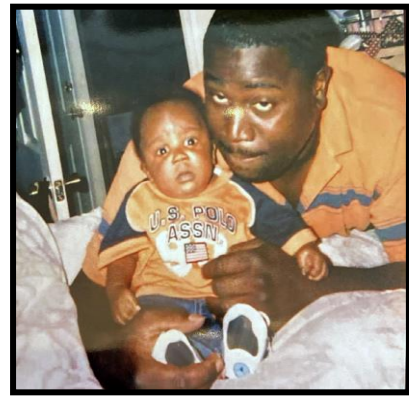
I will look to the sky and search among the stars for my son and best friend.

Love,

*Mom*



*Memories*



*Order of Service*

Rev. Dr. Larry D. Duncan, Presiding Minister  
 Pastor of Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church, Savannah, GA

Prelude

Processional

Opening Selection..... *“His Eye is On the Sparrow”* .....Mrs. Stacie Capers

Old Testament – Isaiah 57:1-2.....Rev. Dr. Albert Neal  
*Antioch Baptist Church, Columbia, SC*

New Testament – 2 Corinthians 5:1-8.....Rev. Dr. Blakely N. Scott  
*First Nazareth Baptist Church, Columbia, SC*

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Dr. Jamey O. Graham, Sr.  
*St. John Baptist Church, Columbia, SC*

Remarks (*3 Minutes*).....Mr. Dexter Primus  
 Mr. Julio Huiett  
 Mr. Mike Goodwin

Musical Selection..... *“Precious Lord”* .....Mrs. Stacie Capers

Words of Comfort .....Rev. Dr. Albert Neal

Recessional

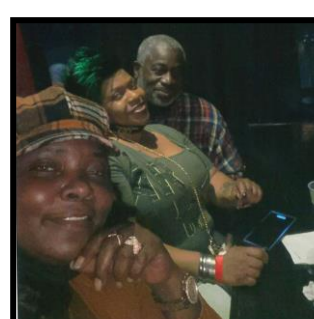
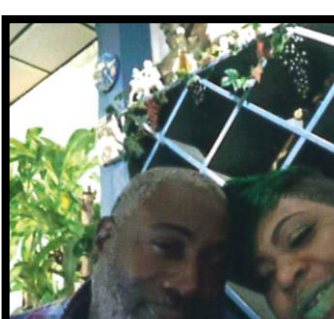
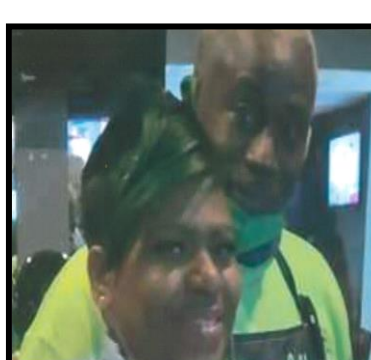
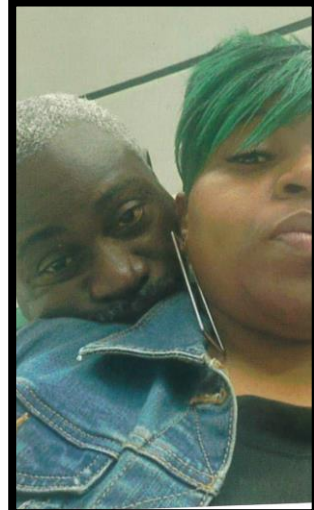
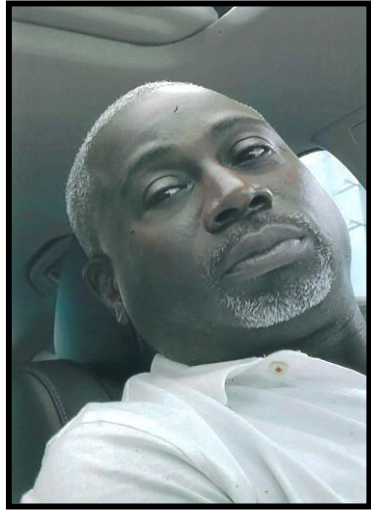
Postlude



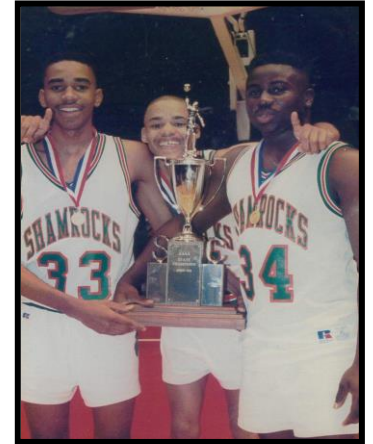
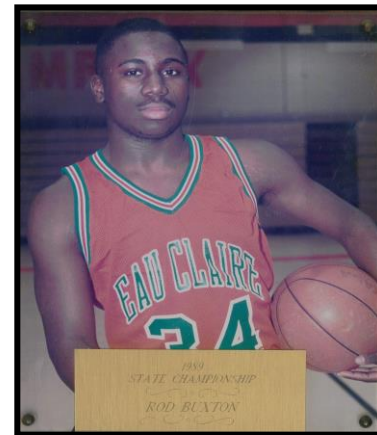
*Committal, Benediction and Interment*

Lincoln Cemetery  
 4900 Farrow Road  
 Columbia, South Carolina

*Memories*



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*As I Sit in Heaven*

And watch you everyday,  
 I try to let you know with signs  
 I never went away.  
 I hear you when you're laughing,  
 And watch you as you sleep.  
 I even place my arms around you  
 to calm you as you weep.  
 I see you wish the days away,  
 begging to have me home.  
 So I try to send you signs  
 so you know you are not alone.  
 Don't feel guilty that you have  
 life that was denied to me.  
 Heaven is truly beautiful,  
 just you wait and see.  
 So live your life, laugh again,  
 enjoy yourself, be free!  
 Then I know with every breath you take  
 you'll be taking one for me.

