

## God's Garden

God looked around his garden  
And found an empty place.  
He then looked down upon the earth,  
And saw your tired face.

He put His arms around you  
And lifted you to rest.  
God's garden must be beautiful,  
He always takes the best.

He knew that you were suffering,  
He knew that you were in pain.  
He knew that you would never  
Get well on earth again.

He saw the road was getting rough  
And the hills were hard to climb.  
So He closed your weary eyelids  
And whispered "Peace be thine."

It broke our hearts to lose you  
But you did not go alone...  
For part of us went with you  
The day God called you home.

## Psalms 121

*I lift up my eyes to the hills-- where does my help come from? My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth. He will not let your foot slip-- he who watches over you will not slumber; indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The LORD watches over you-- the LORD is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. The LORD will keep you from all harm-- he will watch over your life; the LORD will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.*

## Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mr. James Thomas Pickett, would like to thank and extend our heartfelt gratitude for all the love that has been shown, during our time of bereavement. Thank you for the many expressions of kindness, visits, phone calls, cards, food, prayers, and comforting words. A special thank you to: Good Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Leevy's Funeral Home, Pruitt Health, Blythewood, SC, Mr. Earl Anderson, Mr. Tony Pickett, Ms. Debra Pickett, Ms. Pamela Longwood, Ms. Claudia Pickett, Mr. Larry Pickett (deceased), Dr. Ralph E. Johnson (Jackie) and a host of other relatives and friends, we "Thank You."

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## Home Going Service Celebrating the Life of

MR. JAMES THOMAS PICKETT



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2022

12:00 NOON

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

PASTOR LANELLE PICKETT, SR.

-OFFICIATING-



*Obituary*

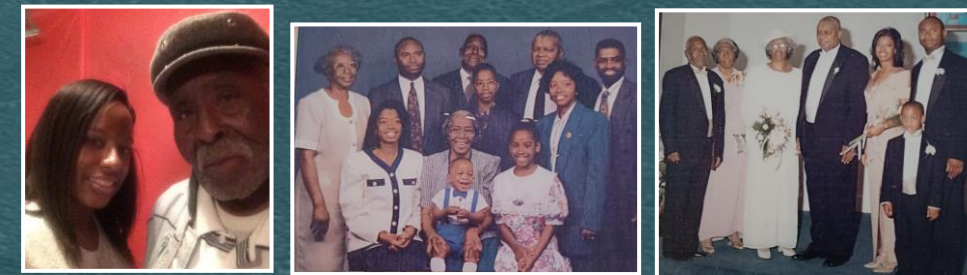
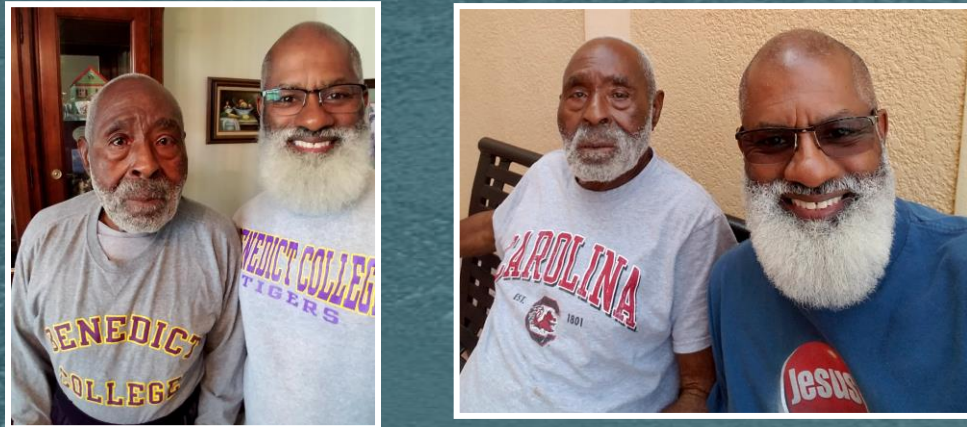
Mr. James Thomas Pickett was born on September 19, 1935, in Columbia, South Carolina. He was the son of the late Albert and Annie Bell Pickett. He departed this life on Wednesday, February 2, 2022.

Mr. Pickett was affectionately known as *Cook* or *Cook a Bread*, by his family and friends. He earned the name *Cook a Bread* because he liked cooked bread over store bought bread. He loved fishing and spending time with his friends. One of his favorite pastimes was sitting on the front porch speaking to people as they walked or drove by. He was a hard worker in the roof/deck business, retiring after more than 30 years with the same company. He had a great sense of humor, and enjoyed doing his part to make family members and friends laugh.

He was preceded in death by: his parents, Albert and Annie Bell Pickett; his brother, Albert, Jr; and his sister, Marjorie Praylo.

Mr. James Thomas Pickett leaves to mourn his passing: son, Lanelle (Kathy) Pickett, Sr., of Lakeland, Florida; grandson, US Army Lt. Colonel Lanelle (Yoko) Pickett, Jr., of Okinawa, Japan; granddaughter, Delaqua T. Pickett, of Columbia, South Carolina; great-granddaughter A'mya Pickett, of Columbia, South Carolina; niece, Jackie Praylo (Ralph) Johnson, of Columbia, Maryland; many other relatives and friends.

*Memories*



*A Service of Remembrance*

*I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.  
My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.  
Psalm 121:1-2*

- Prelude
- Processional
- Invocation.....Pastor Lanelle Pickett, Sr.  
Good Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Gordonville, Florida
- Opening Hymn
- Old Testament – Psalm 23:1-6.....Mrs. Kathy L. Pickett
- New Testament John 14:1-6.....Dr. Ralph E. Johnson
- Solo
- Remarks.....Miss Delaqua T. Pickett  
Mrs. Jackie Praylo-Johnson
- Solo
- Words of Comfort.....Pastor Lanelle Pickett, Sr.
- Recessional
- Postlude

