

Obituary

Ernest Lee **Stein/Rock** Asmond, 70, of Columbia, SC entered eternal rest on May 25, 2022. He was born on August 15, 1951, to the late Frank Asmond, Sr. and Mattie Lou Grier Asmond, in Columbia, SC.

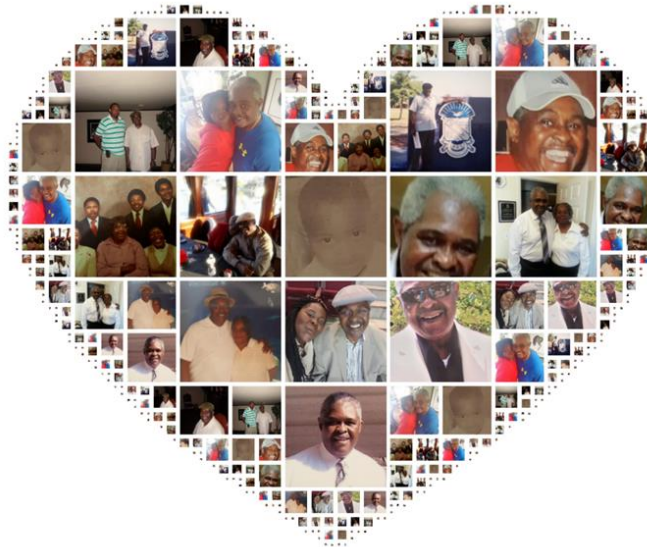
He was a 1970 graduate of Booker T. Washington High School, and attended Voorhees College, in Denmark, SC. Ernest earned a bachelor of arts degree in Sociology. He was a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity. It was during this time that he met the love of life, Thelma Reed. This relationship blossomed into a marriage of 43 years, and from that union the second love of his life was born, Santresa **Biggum** Asmond. After leaving college, he enlisted in the US Army, where he served for 5 years. He retired after 30 years from the US Postal Service, as a Mail Handler. He became a member of Zion Pilgrim Baptist Church in 2008, where he was the advisor of the Senior Usher Board.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Nathaniel Dickie Asmond, and one sister, Mattie Mae Dixon

Ernest leaves to mourn his passing: his wife, Thelma Asmond, of the home; one daughter, Santresa (Del) Chesteen, of Rock Hill, SC; one sister, Georgia Singleton, of Columbia, SC; two brothers, Frank (Betty) Asmond, Jr., and Peter (Lois) Asmond, both of Columbia, SC; two aunts, Jennie Mixon, of Columbia, SC, and Claudia Bass, of Detroit, MI; one uncle, Pastor Willie (Essie) Grier, of Columbia, SC; two brothers-in-law, three sisters-in-law, a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, friends, and last but not less his faithful K9, Rusty.

He was a dedicated husband, father, brother, uncle, and a friend, and will be greatly missed.

Memories



Broken Chain

I sit quietly reflecting for a while
Imagining your voice, your face, and your smile
Who would have known that morning God was going to call your
name? That our lives will never be the same
What once was a strong link is now a broken chain
In life we held an undeniable bond and love
And in death the bond and love will never change
We have golden memories that will never depart
And find comfort knowing your will always be in our heart
Although we cannot see you, we know you will always be by our side
And even as we leave these teardrops as a symbol of our pain
And even though our family chain has been broken today
We know the broken chain will one day be link again.

Love you always
Santresa "Biggum" Chesteen

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional

Viewing.....Funeral Directors

Old and New Testaments..... Pastor Willie J. Davis, Jr.

Prayer of Comfort.....Pastor Willie J. Davis, Jr.

Musical Tribute.....Ms. Gisele Price

Reflections.....Deacon Robert Barnes

Eulogy.....Pastor Willie J. Davis, Jr.

Recessional

Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

12:00 Noon
Fort Jackson National Cemetery
4170 Percival Road
Columbia, South Carolina

Pallbearers

Zion Pilgrim Trustees and Deacons

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 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.

Floral Bearers

Zion Pilgrim Senior Ushers

Acknowledgement


The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern, and kindness shown, during this hour of bereavement. May God bless and keep you!

-The Asmond Family

Services Entrusted To:

Taylor Street Chapel 1831 Taylor Street Columbia, SC 29201 (803)771-7799 I. S. Leevy Johnson -Owner & Director-	Leevy's FUNERAL HOME Chris Leevy Johnson -President & Managing Director-	Lower Richland Chapel 9120 Garners Ferry Road Hopkins, SC 29061 (803) 776-6922 Leverette A. Williams, II -General Manager-
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*Homegoing Celebration
In Loving Memory
of
Mr. Ernest Lee Asmond*



*Thursday, June 2, 2022
10:00 a.m.*

*Zion Pilgrim Baptist Church
1609 Zion Avenue
Columbia, South Carolina*

*Reverend Willie J. Davis, Jr.
-Pastor-*