

## Obituary

Mr. Donald D. Friels was born on August 19, 1961, in Pineville, Louisiana. Donald departed this life and started his heavenly chapter on Sunday, July 17, 2022. Donald was a loving son, who adored and cared for his mother with all of his heart. He was also a wonderful brother, uncle, husband, and compassionate friend to many. He will be best remembered as always smiling, and trying to help others.

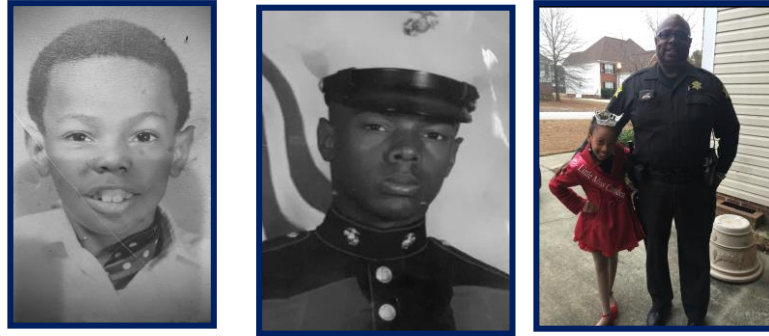
He started his life's mission of serving and protecting by entering the United States Marine Corp, after graduating high school. From there, he would devote his life to law enforcement. He spent many years as a correctional officer, with the Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center, Columbia, SC. He would go on to ensure that college students could have a safe campus by serving as a Lieutenant with the University of South Carolina (Columbia) Police Department. He even ventured to protect communities during his time spent as an officer with the City of Columbia Police Department. He was respected, trusted, and admired by many. His final position would be as a Deputy with the Richland County Sheriff's Department, as a School Resource Officer at W.G. Sanders Middle School, in Richland School District One. He mentored and touched the lives of so many students. During his time there, he was affectionately known as **Dep.** He gave a lifetime of service, commitment, sacrifice, and valiance!

Donald was a member of Daniel Circle Chapel, at Fort Jackson for many years. He then went on to become a member of Christian Faith Fellowship Church, of Columbia, where he absolutely loved singing in the Gospel Choir and Men's Choir.

He is preceded in heaven by: his mother, Hattie Callgari; father, Matthew Friels; stepfather, Randolph Payne; his sister, Audrika Juneique Friels, and a brother, Randy Wayne Friels.

The Family that Donald leaves behind will miss him dearly, but are comforted in knowing that he is healed: his wife, Azeb Friels, of Columbia, SC; his sister, Ashanti Friels-Paz, of Aiken, SC; and a cousin, Betty J. Other family members include: a daughter, Brittney; brothers, Tyrone and Reggie Friels, both of Bunkie, Louisiana; as well as a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, and colleagues, all of whom will miss him, but will be reminded of his unforgettable spirit that will live on.

## Memories



## Order of Service

Presentation of Military Honors

The Call to Worship

Scripture.....Pastor Jesse Williams  
Exodus 33:14

Prayer.....Pastor Jesse Williams

Words of Comfort.....Pastor Jesse Williams

Benediction and Committal

Recessional

Postlude



*Committal, Benediction and Interment*

**Fort Jackson National Cemetery  
4170 Percival Road  
Columbia, South Carolina**

## *Prayer for Protection*

*The light of God Surrounds Me*

*The love of God Enfolds Me*

*The Power of God Protects Me*

*The Presence of God Watches over Me*

*The Mind of God Guides Me*

*The Life of God Flows through Me*

*The Laws of God Direct Me*

*The Power of God abides within Me*

*The Joy of God Uplifts Me*

*The Strength of God Renews Me*

*The Beauty of God Inspires Me*

*Where I am, God Is!*

## *Pallbearers and Floral Bearers*

Richland County Sheriff Department

## *Acknowledgement*

We, the family of Mr. Donald Dwayne Friels, would like to thank each of you for your many acts of kindness and love shown to us, during the passing of our loved one.

## **Services Entrusted To:**

<b>Taylor Street Chapel</b> 1831 Taylor Street Columbia, SC 29201 (803)771-7799	<b>Leeby'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-

## *Home Going Service In Loving Memory of*

MR. DONALD DWAYNE FRIELS



FRIDAY, JULY 22, 2022  
10:00 A.M.

FORT JACKSON NATIONAL CEMETERY  
4170 PERCIVAL ROAD  
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

PASTOR JESSE WILLIAMS  
-OFFICIATING-