

## Obituary

Mr. Rastapari Hailstock was called home to be with the Lord on Monday, July 25, 2021. He was born on December 13, 1931, in Sharon, Pennsylvania. He was the youngest child of the late Elesie and Clara Durrah Hailstock. Mr. Hailstock was reared in Charlotte, NC, by William and Lillian Castor, after the death of his mother.

Mr. Hailstock was educated in the public schools of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. He was a graduate of Second Ward High school, Charlotte, North Carolina, class of 1949. He attended Shaw University and Carver College and graduated with a degree in Liberal Arts and Business Administration.

He served in the United States Army as a paratrooper at Fort Benning, Georgia. While serving in the army, he married his loving wife of 70 years, the former Marguerite White.

He later moved to Farrell, Pa, to be close to his father and siblings. He worked in the family bakery and was later employed by Sharon Steel. In 1976, he was hired by the City of Farrell as the first black Public Health and Code officer for 20 years.

Mr. Hailstock was a member of Second Baptist Church, Farrell, PA, where he was ordained as a Deacon in 1974. He served as the Chairman of the Deacons' Ministry for 15 years, and as the Vice-Chairman for 12 years. He also served as a Senior Sunday School Class teacher, member of the Men's Fellowship, and on the auditing and search committees. While living in Farrell, he was the president of the N.A.A.C.P. for ten years, a board member for the Southwest Gardens, Community Action-Head Start Program, and the Farrell Human Relations. Mr. Hailstock was also a member of the Calumet Lodge #25 F&AM (PHA).

After becoming ill, he moved to South Carolina to live with his daughters, Pamela and Judy. He later joined Brookland Baptist Church, West, where he was appointed Deacon Emeritus.

Mr. Hailstock was preceded in death by his son, Rastapari Hailstock, Jr.; parents, Reverend Elesie and Clara Hailstock, William and Lillian Castor; three brothers, Romason, Arverdison, and Emanuel, and a sister Eunice Coleman.

Deacon Hailstock leaves to cherish beautiful memory: his wife, Marguerite Hailstock; two daughters, Judy E. Johnson and Pamela (Randy) Davis; two grandchildren Milton E. Johnson, Jr. and Julius (Dominique) X. Davis; one great-granddaughter, Brooklyn Gianna Davis; goddaughter, Eunice Whitted; a loving lifelong friend, Lee Erwin; a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and caring friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

## Memories



## Order of Service

Prelude.....“No Not One”  
Processional  
Viewing.....Funeral Directors  
Opening Hymn.....“Blessed Assurance”  
Scripture Readings.....Minister  
Old Testament – Psalm 23  
New Testament – John 14:1-3  
Prayer.....Reverend Dr. James A. Jamison  
Musical Selection  
Remarks.....Deacon Acy Suber  
*Deacon Emeritus, Brookland Baptist Church*  
Deacon Jerome Bracey  
*Family Deacon*  
Reverend Forrest Underwood  
*Cousin*  
Musical Selection.....“You Are My Strength”  
Words of Comfort.....Reverend Dr. Charles B. Jackson, Sr.  
Recessional.....“I’ll Fly Away”  
Postlude



*Committal, Benediction, and Interment*

**Memorial Gardens of Columbia**  
9301 Wilson Boulevard  
Columbia, South Carolina

# Life

Life is just a steppingstone  
A pause before we make it home  
A simple place to rest and be,  
Until we reach eternity.  
Everyone has a life journey,  
A path to take with lots to see  
God guides our steps along the way,  
But we were never meant to stay.  
Our final destination is a place  
Filled with love, His majesty and grace.  
Today we celebrate the life of a loved one  
Who has gone before us,  
the race he has won.  
His journey has now ended,  
His spirit has ascended  
Claiming the great reward  
With Jesus, our Lord.

## Pallbearers

Deacons of Brookland Baptist Church

## Floral Bearers

Deaconesses of Brookland Baptist Church

## Acknowledgement

We, the family of the late Rastapari Hailstock, would like to express our appreciation for all acts of kindness shown to us. The many cards, visits, prayers, telephone calls, flowers, and food were deeply appreciated. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we sincerely thank you. May God richly bless each of you.

## Services Entrusted To:

<b>Taylor Street Chapel</b> 1831 Taylor Street Columbia, SC 29201 (803)771-7799 I. S. Leevy Johnson -Owner & Director-	<b>Leevy's</b> FUNERAL HOME Chris Leevy Johnson -President & Managing Director-	<b>Lower Richland Chapel</b> 9120 Garners Ferry Road Hopkins, SC 29061 (803) 776-6922 Leverette A. Williams, II -General Manager-
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# Home Going Service Celebrating the Life of

DEACON RASTAPARI HAILSTOCK



MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2022  
12:00 NOON

BROOKLAND BAPTIST CHURCH  
1066 SUNSET BOULEVARD  
WEST COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

REVEREND DR. CHARLES B. JACKSON, SR.  
-PASTOR-