## Obituary

Mr. Joseph Milton Cole was born on March 9, 1932 in Wake County, North Carolina. He departed this life on November 29, 2022, at his home.

Mr. Cole was educated in the public schools of North Carolina. He was a graduate of Washington High School. After high school, he attended college for two years and later joined the United States Army, where he served from 1950-1956. While in the Army, he was a parachute jumper, cook, medic, and worked along side two high ranking officers. Joseph moved to New York City, and worked for the New York City Transit Authority until he retired.

He was a member of the D. A. V., American Legion, and he was also a Mason. Mr. Cole was a faithful member of New Life Baptist Church.

Mr. Jospeh Milton Cole leaves to cherish his precious memory: his loving wife, Pearl Cole; sons, Craig L. Cole, of Columbia, South Carolina, David (Kimberly) Wilkerson, Jr., of Englewood, New Jersey, and Andre Wilkerson, of Brooklyn, New York; sister-in-law, Michelle Bostick, of Newark, New Jersey; brother-in-law, Michael Bostick, of Newark, New Jersey; two grandchildren, David Wilkerson III, of Georgia and Jabori Wilkerson, of Englewood, New Jersey; nephews, Jonathan Copeland and Henry Cole; cousins, Barbara T. Brown, of Raleigh, North Carolina, Mary T. Barbee, of Florida, Janet Martin, of Greensboro, North Carolina; his beloved fur baby, Ninja; a host of other loving relatives, and caring friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

#### Memories



















## Order of Service

Prelude	Mrs. Pam Hamilton
Processional	
Viewing	Funeral Directors
Welcome and Prayer	Pastor John Hamilton
	Ms. Manda Barefoot s Thy Faithfulness"
Scripture	Pastor John Hamilton
Prayer of Comfort	Pastor John Hamilton
Hymn	.#85 "Just Over In The Glory Land"
Remarks	Dr. Anne Whitt Ms. Renee A. Wilson
Words of Comfort	Pastor John Hamilton
Prayer	Pastor John Hamilton
Recessional	
Postlude	Mrs. Pam Hamilton



## Committal, Benediction and Interment

1:00 p.m.
Fort Jackson National Cemetery
4170 Percival Road
Columbia, South Carolina



Family and Friends

#### Floral Rearers

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### <u> Acknowledgement</u>

We, the family of the late Joseph Milton Cole, gratefully acknowledge all expressions of kindness and sympathy expressed, during the illness and passing of our loved one. We thank everyone for your calls, text messages, cards, and all gifts of love and support. Words cannot express how much they mean to us. We kindly thank Pastor Hamilton and the New Life Baptist Church Family, Dr. Bruce Easterling, Zachary Montooth, NP, and Diane Pitcher, RN. A special thank you to Barbara Brown and Maple Davis.

# God Saw You Getting Tired

God saw you getting tired
When a cure was not to be
He wrapped His arms around you,
And whispered, "Come to Me."
With tearful eyes, we watched you suffer
And saw you fade away.
Although we loved you dearly,
We could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands to rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us,
He only takes the best.

# Services Entrusted To:

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1831 Taylor Street
Columbia, SC 29201
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Chris LeevyJohnson
-President & Managing Director-

9120 Garners Ferry Road Hopkins, SC 29061 (803) 776-6922 Leverette A. Williams. Mr. Joseph Milton Cole Wednesday, December 7, 202 11:00 a.m. New Life Baptist Church 2825 Ashland Drive Columbia, South Carolina Pastor John Hamilton -Pastox-