

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Floral Bearers

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I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God has laid you see.
I took His hand when I heard His call
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work, or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I found the peace at the close of the day.
If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joys
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart, and peace to thee-
God wanted me now; He has set me free*

Services Entrusted To:

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In Honor of your Memory
Mr. Vernon Cecil Ellison



Saturday, March 4, 2023
12:00 Noon

Smyrna Baptist Church
1186 Smyrna Church Road
Springfield, South Carolina

Reverend Roydell Dicks, Sr., Interim Pastor

Obituary

Mr. Vernon Cecil Ellison was born in Columbia, South Carolina on February 25, 1948. He was the second of four children born to Floster Leon Ellison, Jr. and Alice Marie Smith-Ellison. He entered into eternal rest on his birthday, Saturday, February 25, 2023

He was educated in the public schools of Columbia, South Carolina. Cecil was a graduate of C.A. Johnson High School. After high school, he served in both the United States Army and the United States Navy. He was united in holy matrimony on October 25, 1974 to Sherries Bernice Reed, in Columbia, SC. This union was blessed with two daughters. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, who loved and cared for his family.

Cecil was an excellent lab technician and phlebotomist. He was employed with Baptist Hospital for 28 years. Cecil was also employed at Serologicals and HMI Pharmaceuticals. After retirement from the medical field, he worked part time as a delivery driver for Pizza Hut on Two Notch Road. He was later employed with the United Postal Service as an Assistant Rural Carrier, in Elgin, South Carolina, until his health began to fail.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Floster Leon Ellison, Jr. and Alice Marie Smith-Ellison, and brother, Thaddeous C. Ellison.

Mr. Vernon Cecil Ellison leaves to mourn his passing: two daughters, April McNeal (Michael), of Irmo, South Carolina and Sheri Ellison, of Katy, Texas; three grandchildren, David Davon Sutton, Jaylen Arielle Murillo, and Michael Cecil McNeal; one great-grandchild, Caiden Cosola-Sutton; two brothers, Alvin Leon Ellison, Sr. and Carl Michael Ellison; a host of nieces, nephews, other loving relatives, and friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

Order of Service

Prelude	
Processional	
Viewing.....	Funeral Directors
Opening Hymn.....	Smyrna Baptist Church Choir
Old Testament.....	Psalms 27
New Testament.....	John 14:1-7
Prayer of Comfort.....	Reverend Dr. John H. Corbitt
Remarks.....	Family and Friends
Musical Selection.....	_____
Words of Comfort.....	Reverend Dr. John H. Corbitt
Recessional	
Postlude	



Committal, Benediction, and Interment

Smyrna Baptist Church Cemetery
1186 Smyrna Church Road
Springfield, South Carolina

Acknowledgement

We, the family of the late Vernon Cecil Ellison, would like to thank each of you for your many acts of kindness shown to us, during the passing of our loved one. We pray that the Lord blesses each of you in a very special way.